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Mayor Rilling Provides Local Update on Coronavirus

(Norwalk, Conn.) - City officials are working closely with partners at the state and federal levels, as well as partners in Norwalk, to monitor and respond to COVID-19, the 2019 novel Coronavirus. Statewide updates can be found online at ct.gov/coronavirus. Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 16, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there is one new positive case in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,106. There were no new deaths reported.
- COVID-19 community testing is available at the Day Street Community Health Center, 49 Day Street in Norwalk, Monday - Friday, 9:00 - 1:00 p.m. Appointments are encouraged and testing is free with or without symptoms. More information is available at chc1.com.
- Keep Norwalk Beautiful will be holding a SoNo cleanup event on Saturday, July 25, beginning at 9 a.m. at Ryan Park. Litter cleanup tools will be provided. Due to COVID-19, volunteers are asked to work in small teams from within their own homes, wear face coverings, and socially distance. Email DShockley@norwalkct.org for more information.
- The Triangle Community Center announced today that it was canceling the 2020 Pride in the Park event scheduled for August 22 in Mathews Park in Norwalk. The event draws more than 6,000 people annually to Norwalk, and is one of the largest Pride festivals in Connecticut.
- Cyber criminals are using the COVID-19 pandemic as an opportunity to scam unsuspecting businesses. These criminals are sending fake emails with a Dropbox link to access relief grants. Company anti-virus software may not catch it because Dropbox is so widely used. The link is actually a virus, and will steal passwords and personal information when installed.
- Temporary Housing Assistance Initiatives are now available for renters and for those with mortgages. Those seeking assistance are asked to call 1-860-785-3111 to determine eligibility. More information on these programs is available at ct.gov/doh.

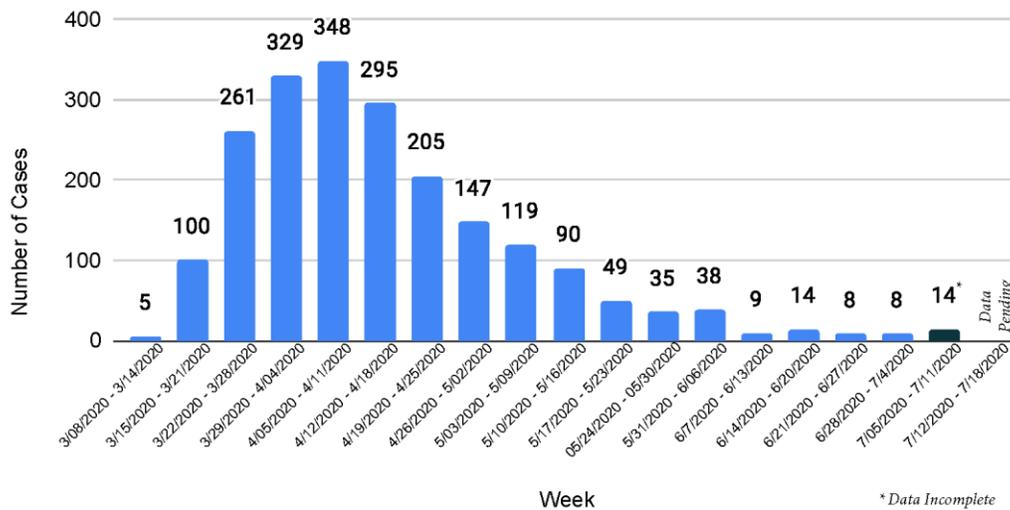
“It’s critically important we do everything we can to keep people in their homes. I hope those impacted by COVID-19 and are struggling to make rent or pay their mortgage apply for these programs through the State of Connecticut,” Mayor Rilling said. “Every crisis has its heroes, and unfortunately, its villains. Cyber criminals have been trying to steal personal information and money from people throughout this pandemic. Residents and businesses should be extra vigilant with the emails they open, websites they visit, and attachments they download.”

Members of the public are encouraged to sign-up for the City’s CodeRED Emergency Alert Notification System at norwalkct.org/codered. Updates on City services, hours, and community resources will be routinely published at norwalkct.org/citynews. The latest health updates can be found at norwalkct.org/coronavirus.

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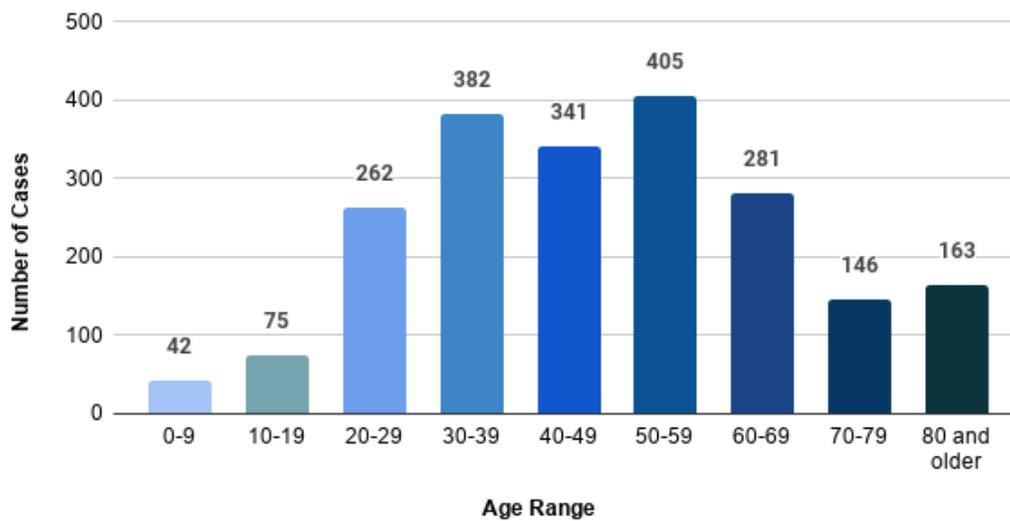
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

Test results may be reported several days after collection. Does not include cases with missing specimen collection



Number of Positive COVID-19 Norwalk Cases per Age Group

Data are preliminary & subject to change. May not add up to total case count as demographic data may be missing.



Number of COVID-19 Norwalk Deaths per Age Group

Data are preliminary and subject to change

