



# **Situation Status Report**

**INCIDENT NAME: COVID-19** 

**CITYWIDE READINESS STATUS: Full Activation** 

**ECC GENERAL PHONE: 503-823-2323** 

**INCIDENT WEBSITE: City of Portland COVID-19 information website** 

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Next Abbreviated Situation Status Report will be released: **Tuesday, December 15** and the next full Situation Status Report will be released **Thursday December 17.** 

Have something to add/update? Bureaus and agencies should send inputs by noon Wednesday,

December 16 to <a href="mailto:ECCsitstat@portlandoregon.gov">ECCsitstat@portlandoregon.gov</a> with subject line: COVID Situation Update — [Bureau Name]. Reminder that this report will be publicly available online.

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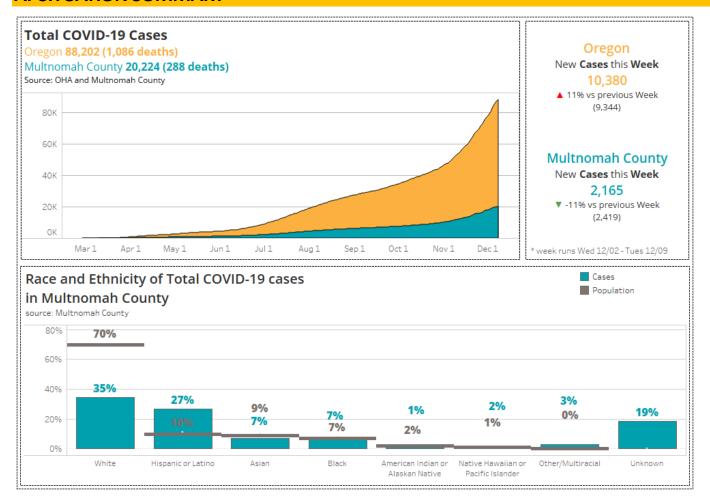
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#### A. SITUATION SUMMARY



### **OVERVIEW**

### Significant events in this reporting period

Grant assistance applications for small East Multnomah County businesses opens today; Oregon and Washington hospitals are preparing for a "twindemic" when COVID-19 and the flu spike and, together, put stress on hospitals; Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine could get FDA committee approval today.

# **Local and Regional News**

- As of December 10, there are 576 confirmed Coronavirus hospitalizations in Oregon. The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) releases these numbers daily.
- On December 10, <u>KATU News reported</u> that grant assistance applications for small east Multnomah County businesses opened today.
- On December 10, <u>OPB reported</u> that Oregonians won't see just one COVID-19 vaccine, since Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna are in FDA approval process, and at least two other COVID-19 vaccines are expected to seek FDA emergency use authorization over the next few months. One from AstraZeneca and one from Johnson & Johnson.
- On December 9, <u>KATU reported</u> that Oregon and Washington hospitals are preparing for a "twindemic" when COVID-19 and the flu spike and, together, put stress on hospitals.
- On December 9, <u>OPB reported</u> that as COVID-19 spreads, teacher shortage drives school closures in Central Oregon.

- On December 9, <u>KATU News reported</u> that Senator Jeff Merkley spoke with the media on and addressed pressing issues such as the COVID-19 relief package, the vaccine, and if vaccinations should be mandatory.
- On December 9, <u>KATU News reported</u> that Tillamook schools started hybrid learning, since the county is still in the 'low risk' COVID-19 category.
- On December 9, <u>Willamette Week reported</u> that early release promises for some incarcerated people in Oregon prisons due to COVID-19 have yet to occur.
- On December 9, <u>Willamette Week reported</u> that Providence, Oregon's largest hospital system, continues to deny its employee's COVID-19 workers' compensation claims.
- On December 9, <u>Desert News reported</u> that an Oregon doctor who refused to wear masks and called COVID-19 a common cold had his medical license suspended.
- On December 9, <u>KATU reported</u> that the PeaceHealth Medical Center in Southwest Washington will serve as a "staging area" for COVID-19 vaccines.
- On December 8, the <a href="OHA reported">OHA reported</a> the state's highest count of COVID-19 deaths in a single day to date is 36 deaths.
- On December 8, <u>KGW News reported</u> that a winter homeless shelter to open Thursday in Portland's Old Town Chinatown.

### National and International News

- On December 10, <u>KATU reported</u> that the US recorded 3,124 deaths on Wednesday, the highest one-day total yet.
- On December 10, <u>USA Today reported</u> that it may not have started here, but COVID-19 became a US tragedy.
- On December 10, <u>Vox News reported</u> that FDA advisers recommend the first COVID-19 vaccine for emergency use in the US. The first doses of the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine could ship as soon as December 11.
- On December 10, <u>CNN reported</u> that Moderna starts Phase 2/3 trial of COVID-19 vaccine in US adolescents.
- On December 10, <u>KATU reported</u> that US unemployment claims jumped to 853,000 amid a resurgence in COVID-19 cases.
- On December 9, <u>KATU reported</u> on a warning from UN chief that "vaccine nationalism" is at "full speed" leaving developing countries to wonder if and when they will receive vaccines.
- On December 9, <u>The Wall Street Journal reported</u> that Canada authorized COVID-19 vaccine from Pfizer and BioNTech.
- On December 9, <u>STAT reported</u> that with drive-by burials and FaceTime farewells, grief in the COVID-19 era will weigh on the American psyche for years to come.
- On December 9, Reuters reported that the UK warned people with serious allergies to avoid Pfizer vaccine after two severe adverse reactions.
- On December 9, KGW News reported that a White House report stated vaccines won't curb COVID-19 spread in US until late spring.
- On December 8, <u>OregonLive reported</u> that President-elect Biden announced reopening schools should be national priority and sets goal of doing so during his first 100 days.
- On December 8, <u>The Washington Post reported</u> that Biden lays out plan to combat COVID-19 in his first 100 days of office, including requiring masks on interstate buses and trains.
- On December 8, Vox reported that restaurants are getting creative with their winter setups, but

- some changes might make dining out riskier.
- On December 8, <u>KGW reported</u> on a <u>study</u> citing AstraZeneca's COVID-19 vaccine as 70% effective.
- On December 8, <u>Becker's Hospital Review reported</u> that the US recorded its highest death count
  in a week to date, with over 15,000 deaths in the past seven days.

#### **WEATHER**

### **December 10 to December 14 Forecast by National Weather Service:**



### **B. ECC ACTIONS**

#### **COORDINATION SECTION**

### **Food Security**

Address food security needs with the most vulnerable communities in Portland.

#### **GENERAL**

### **ECC Food Security Project Dashboard**

#### **CULTURALLY SPECIFIC FOODS**

Partnering with Equitable Giving Circle, a Black-led group of Portland businesswomen who have organized to address structural racism and economic inequity by purchasing CSA shares from BIPOC farmers to feed BIPOC families lacking access to fresh foods, identified in partnership with trusted community-based organizations. Equitable Giving Circle will buy 300 CSA shares from local BIPOC farmers to feed the 300 selected BIPOC families with high-quality, locally grown, organic produce, proteins or other pantry staples, for 22 weeks over the 2020 growing season, from June through November.

No updates this reporting period.

#### **FOOD BOX DELIVERIES**

In partnership with Hood to Coast, we are implementing aspects of three programs to support food security. These include distribution of 100 contactless home food box deliveries a week for SUN Community Schools; 1,000 bulk deliveries a week to local organizations serving the aging and disabled and communities of color. Hood to Coast will also provide courier service of thousands of meals to 10 Lunch + Play mobile sites in outer east Portland. Program focus is on the following communities: Aging/Disabled; BIPOC; Black/African American; Latinx; Native American and Pacific Islander.

• Distributed 1100 food boxes to community-based organizations.

# Food Box Deliveries December 7 – December 11:

Organizations	Boxes
APANO	11
Black Community of Portland	125
Familias en Acción	45
Gurreras Latinas	49
HAKI Community Organization	150
<b>Human Solutions</b>	20
<b>Lutheran Community Services Northwest</b>	10
Mother & Child Education Center	33
Ngoc Diep Temple	75
Reach CDC	50
REAP	100
Risen	40
Rose CDC	155
Rosewood Initiative	25
SUN Community Schools (Doorstep deliveries)	97
SUN Sitton Community Schools	19
<b>United Congolese Community Organization of</b>	48
Oregon	
VOZ Workers Rights	20
*The 28 boxes to equal 1100 boxes will be rolled over to distribute next week.	
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TOTAL	1072

Focused on the following communities: Aging /Disabled, BIPOC, Black/African American, Latinx, Native American, and Pacific Islander/Tongan.

SUN Child and Family Hunger Relief Project	Boxes
Cherry Park	270
Floyd Light	250
Chavez	250
Harrison Park	150
Kelly	60
Lent	225
Earl Boyles	150
Mill Park	200
Glenfair	275
Alder	250
David Douglas/PFB	350

SUN Child and Family Hunger Relief Project	Boxes
Jason Lee	150
Roosevelt	100
TOTAL	2680

Community-Based Organizations Food Card Program	Cards
Weno Pii Fono Organization	30
HOLLA Mentors	60
TOTAL	90

#### **HOUSELESS MEALS**

Ongoing coordination with the following organizations to ensure meals at houseless camps are available citywide: Because People Matter, Blanchet House, Free Hot Soup, Free Lunch Collective, Frontline Foods, Our Impact: Union Gospel Mission, Portland Rescue Mission, and Stone Soup.

No updates this reporting period.

#### PDX CARES FOOD CARDS

The goal of this program is to reach those with the greatest food security needs and to focus on populations that will continue to be most impacted over time. Working in collaboration with Multnomah County to issue \$1 million in PDX CARES cards. The cards are in \$250 increments, based on household size. Households of 1-3 people receive one card of \$250, and households of 4+ people received (2) \$250 cards for a total of \$500. Recipients will be selected in partnership with Community Based Organizations (CBOs) identified by the Joint Volunteer Information Center (JVIC). This CBO engagement ensures assistance reaches those who may not qualify for federal aid based on immigration status, and hesitation about accessing government services.

- Distributed 90 PDX CARES Cards to ToGo and Lu-Mein.
- Transferred over 2680 PDX CARES Card 11 different SUN Schools.
- Discussed how to spend a possible \$600,000 in FEMA reimbursement.

#### **JVIC**

Coordinate volunteers and respond to offers and requests for assistance from the community.

- Presented the JVIC Dashboard to ECC Manager and PBEM Director; tentatively plan to present to DPC in January.
- Worked on a budget for the rest of the FYI to smooth out expenditures and set expectations with CBOs.
- Several members attended a training on working with Tribes in disaster recovery.

### Sheltering and Restroom Access

Provide houseless individuals access to shelters that allow safe physical distancing, and additional hygiene facilities to promote public health.

- St John's Village's shelter pods are under construction (off-site). Ground broken for the community building and rain garden.
- Shelter pods at C3PO required weather stripping before being placed at the SE camp sites. Pod placement began on December 9.
- Hollywood Lights started replacing the electrical trunk line and started wiring individual pods.

#### **ECC FINANCE SECTION**

ECC Finance supports finance management for the Coordination Section projects.

- Executed Digital Divide contracts with The National Association for Black Veterans, Portland Indigenous Marketplace, and Native American Youth and Family Center.
- Disbursed 8429 cards, each valued at \$360.45 to support internet connectivity.
- Sent City Council a memo regarding midterm reporting.
- Prepped data for an article in The Oregonian.
- Elevated spending for Logistics P-Card to purchase plaza kits.

### **EQUITY & LANGUAGE ACCESS**

Ensure compliance with Civil Rights Title VI and ADA Title II by institutionalizing an equity framework in all ECC services, communications, decision-making, and resource allocation. Provide equity and language access advisement to all ECC sections and provide guidance in the use of citywide equity tools, guidance, procedures, and resources.

. No updates this reporting period.

### **JOINT INFORMATION CENTER (JIC)**

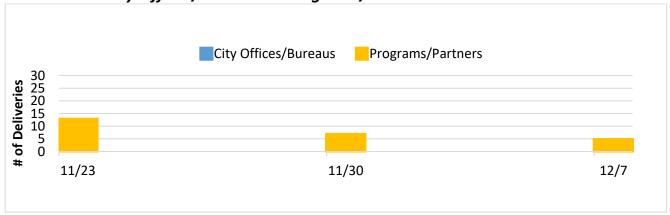
- The JIC monitored Governor Brown's December 4 COVID-19 press availability.
- The JIC shared priority messaging with City communicators to amplify public health and safety information.
- The JIC monitored Mayor Wheeler's December 7 press availability.

### **LOGISTICS SECTION**

### Accomplishments (as of 12/08/2020):

127,219 meals were delivered to temporary Outdoor Emergency Shelters.

# **Deliveries to City Offices/Bureaus & Programs/Partners**



Efforts to support the emergency supply needs for City of Portland Bureaus continue as needed. From December 2 – December 8 the Supply Unit made progress towards distributing cleaning supplies and PPE to City Bureaus and affiliates.

Bureaus are currently advised to coordinate delivery and payment of any needed cleaning supplies or PPE with their Bureau-designated Supply Contact.

The Supply Unit continues to purchase and distribute toiletries and paper products in support of the JVIC (Joint Volunteer Information Center). The JVIC is a joint City of Portland/Multnomah County government project. They connect requests for donations and other materials from local Community Based Organizations to households who can fulfill those requests. From December 2 – December 8, supplies were delivered to the following community partners:

- Verde
- Ngoc Chau Temple
- Guerreras Latinas
- TOGO Core
- Pacific Islander Community

# Critical Eight Remobilization Inventory for City Bureaus

Item	On Hand
Bottles (various sizes)	6,394
Disinfectant Spray (gal)	184
Face Coverings	2,238
Gloves (various sizes)	245,300
Hand Sanitizer (gal)	538
N95 Masks	4,531
Procedure Masks	47,695
Wipes (packs/cannisters)	50

### Critical Eight Distributions by Entity

Distributed to Date	Bottles for Disinfectant /Sanitizer	Disinfectant Spray (gal)	Face Coverings	Gloves	Hand Sanitizer (gal)	N95 Mask	Procedure Mask	Wipes (cannisters)
BDS	322	0	1,500	0	12	200	0	0
BES	44	4	430	0	1	60	200	39
BFPDR	0	0	51	0	0	0	0	0
BHR	3	0	270	200	0	0	50	0
BOEC	144	0	450	8,100	9	0	1,050	71
BPS	0	0	320	0	0	0	0	0
BRFS	0	0	600	50	0	0	0	0

Distributed to Date	Bottles for Disinfectant /Sanitizer	Disinfectant Spray (gal)	Face Coverings	Gloves	Hand Sanitizer (gal)	N95 Mask	Procedure Mask	Wipes (cannisters)
BTS	14	1	788	0	1	20	0	0
OMF/Fleet	271	20	775	200	19	200	1,210	3
PBEM/ECC	39	2	173	430	3	53	202	5
PBOT	2,509	28,193	3,265	11,300	204	720	13,862	118
PF&R	437	0	0	30	95	260	200	198
РНВ	17	0	220	700	1	0	270	7
PP&R	1,305	7,050	4,477	45,100	152	906	8,580	184
PPB	386	2	7,152	0	3	2,000	0	150
PWB	372	11	1,833	10,350	43	100	2,412	105
Other Offices/ Bureaus*	163	1	890	324	9	152	0	4
Other Programs/ Partners+	12,328	114	168	66,556	35	255	3,270	1,221
Total	18,354	35,398	23,362	143,340	587	4,926	31,306	2,105

### Notes:

- \* Includes, but is not limited to, the City Attorney's Office, City Auditor's Office, Commissioners' Offices, Mayor's Office, the Office of Civic Life, and the Office of Equity and Human Rights.
- + Includes, but is not limited to, NET, Aging and Disability Program, JVIC and temporary Outdoor Emergency Shelters.

# JVIC Inventory (Not Included in Above)

To date, the Logistics Section has made deliveries to the following 51 organizations through the Joint Volunteer Information Center: Africa Family Holistic Health Organization, African Youth and Community, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon (APANO), Black Parent Initiative, Beyond Black, Bhutanese Refugees, Bienestar de la Familia, Black Community of Portland, Brown Hope, Community Alliance of Tenants (CAT), Disabled Refugee Alliance, Division Midway Alliance, Ebony Collective, Ethiopian and Eritrean Cultural and Resource Center, Familias en Accion, Guerreras Latinas, Home Forward, Human Solutions, Impact NW, Interfaith Movement\*, Iraqi Society of Oregon, IRCO - Africa House, Karen Speaking Community, Karen and Zomi Refugees, Metropolitan Family Services – Belmont, Mingala Grocery, New Avenues for Youth (NAFY), Nepali Bhutanese Community, Oregon Latino Health Coalition, Oregon Public Health Institute, Pacific Community Thru AFC, Pacific Islander Community through AFC, Portland Community Reinvestment Initiative (PCRI), Portland Mask Project, Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center, Reach CDC, REAP, Risen, Rose CDC, Rosewood Initiative, Samoan/Chuukese

Community (North Portland): IRCO, Self Enhancement Incorporated, Slavic Community Center of NW, Somali Bantu Citizen Group, TOGO Core, United Congolese Community Organization of Oregon (UCCO), Urban League Senior Center, Utopia PDX, Verde, Village Gardens, Voz Workers' Rights.

Item	Distributed
Anti-Perspirant	6051
Bar Soap	7162
Conditioner	2643
Diapers (various sizes)	2393
Cloth Face Coverings	3702
Hand Soap	2614
Laundry Soap	2491
Maxipads	1991
Paper Towels	10094
Procedure Mask	7495
Razor	3788
Shampoo	2787
Tampons	1175
Toilet Paper	16516
Toothbrush	6481
Toothpaste	4981

#### **ECC SAFETY OFFICER**

Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OR OSHA) provided their COVID-19
 Training online course, which meets some of the OR OSHA required training elements. The
 online training can be found at <a href="https://osha.oregon.gov/edu/courses/Pages/COVID-19-training-requirements.aspx">https://osha.oregon.gov/edu/courses/Pages/COVID-19-training-requirements.aspx</a>.

# C. CITY BUREAU CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLAN (COOP) STATUS

Bureaus with impaired Essential Functions or a COOP status other than "Active" are displayed in the table below. All other bureaus not displayed in this table have COOPs in Active status and no essential functions impacted.

Bureau/Office	COOP/Incident Command Post Status	Essential Function* Status
Development Services (BDS)	Inactive	Work continues to update BDS' electronic systems to make it more convenient for customers to submit and monitor the status of their permit requests. Most permits are now being accepted electronically and all will be by the middle of December. Other system upgrades are being worked on. Review times in some categories are extended.
CityFleet	Active	No impacts. Discontinued graveyard shift, limiting vendor and customer access to our Kerby and Graham Garage.

Bureau/Office	COOP/Incident Command Post Status	Essential Function* Status
		Continued staggered work shifts and 7% of Fleet employees continue to telework.
Emergency Communications / 911 (BOEC)	Partially Active	No Essential functions impacted
Fire & Rescue (PF&R)	Inactive	One Tier 3 essential function suspended: public education office.
Housing	Active	HOME rental inspections delayed
OMF Technology Services	Active	BTS has paused any non-essential projects and has previously set bureau expectations for project delays.
Parks & Recreation (PP&R)	Active, BICP Active	Some essential functions modified.
Police (PPB)	Active, BICP active	Two Tier 1 essential functions are impaired, by 5% or less.  16 Tier 2 and 3 essential functions are impacted to varying degrees.
Water (PWB)	Enhanced Operations	No Essential functions impacted.

<sup>\*</sup>Bureau level essential functions are categorized in four tiers based on the targeted duration of time and a service level within which a function must be restored after a disruption to avoid unacceptable consequences.

### **D. BUREAU DETAILS**

### **Bureau of Environmental Services (BES)**

• On January 1, 2021 BES will transition to an ICS/IMT/EOC FEMA based structure rather than a task force structure.

#### Portland Bureau of Emergency Management (PBEM)

- PBEM staff are coordinating with JOHS, PBOT and disability equity colleagues to plan for severe weather access impacts for those with disabilities and for those living outside.
- PBEM set up a new bureau emergency operations coordination group that can convene during disruptions.

#### Portland Fire and Rescue (PF&R)

- PF&R will receive the COVID-19 vaccine to administer to first responders who provide direct patient care. Additional details to be determined with state and county health officials.
- PF&R is updating a Medical Countermeasures guideline. PF&R has the responsibility as a
  County Push Partner to facilitate medical countermeasures distribution to PF&R, PPB,
  PBEM (including ECC responders), and BOEC. This kind of distribution could occur if/when
  the COVID-19 vaccine becomes available to public safety personnel not directly providing
  patient care.
- PF&R will receive a large shipment of medical grade PAPR's (a type of PPE) from Multnomah County EMS. These were purchased with CARES Act funding.
- PF&R is reviewing Operational Guidelines for Medical Care Points to assist hospitals and is establishing overflow/surge capacity in predesignated City Parks.

Tier 1: 0-12 hours; Tier 2: 12-72 hours; Tier 3: 72 hours – 10 days; Tier 4: 10-30 days

### Portland Parks and Recreation (PP&R)

- PP&R turned off all outdoor drinking fountains per OHA mandate while the County and City are in the 'extreme risk' category.
- 52 of 53 COVID-19 priority bathrooms are open. Pioneer Square still closed due to repairs at a nearby business. Eleven additional bathrooms are open in parks, operating normal park hours.

### Portland Police Bureau (PPB)

 PPB implemented a health questionnaire based on the City Health Survey Assessment questions on all Bureau laptops. Depending on the employee's answer, the survey will recommend the proper course of action the member should take prior to starting work.

#### Portland Water Bureau (PWB)

 Water Bureau is assessing contingency staffing and functions to prepare for potential staff absences if COVID-19 impacts employee attendance. PWB expects to compile a staffing, contingency, and cross-training plan after December 15.

# **E. PARTNER INFORMATION**

#### **FEDERAL**

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

• CDC <u>updated</u> it's monitoring and evaluating mitigation strategies in child care, K-12 schools, and institutions of higher education page.

#### **STATE**

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# Oregon Health Authority (OHA).

- OHA updates guidance for quarantine.
- OHA <u>publishes</u> new equity-driven crisis care principles to support surge planning.
- OHA <u>releases</u> that Governor Kate Brown has announced that \$55 million in funding is available for Oregon's small businesses and nonprofits.
- In case you missed it: See recording of Facebook Live on social gatherings and holidays.
- OHA <u>video</u> of your bubble may be bigger than you think.
- OHA's COVID-19 weekly report <u>released</u> today, set weekly highs for COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations for the third consecutive week.

# F. RESOURCES

### **RESOURCES UPDATE**

Our resource information is now located on the <u>COVID-19 webpage</u>. The resources page will have information on resources from Multnomah County, City of Portland, Asking Questions and Getting Help, Equity, Volunteering, About COVID-19, Well-being, Housing, Homelessness, Workplace, Food Security and Portland Area Schools & Universities.

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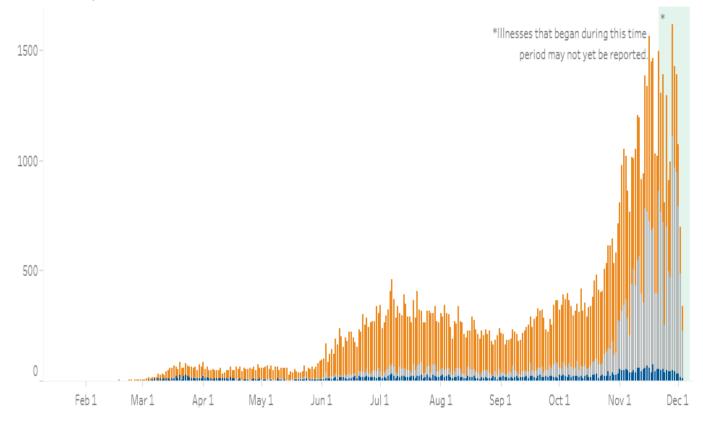
### FORWARD PLANNING DIGEST

December 9, 2020

### **LOCAL AND NATIONAL TRENDS**

### Portland Metropolitan Regional Update

CASES: On December 1, 2020, the Oregon Health Authority reported 1,341 new and presumptive cases of COVID-19, bringing the state total to 87,082. This is the highest number of cases reported in a single day since the pandemic started in Oregon. Oregon has reported 36 deaths statewide, bringing the state total 1,080 deaths from COVID-19.

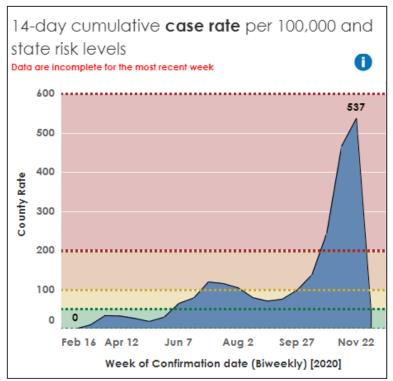


# **Trending Issues**

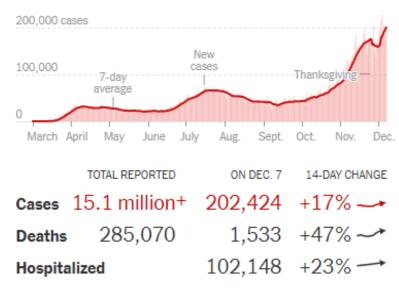
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- HOW TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT COVID-19

### **Multnomah County**

The metrics break down into four categories, Low, Moderate, High and Extreme, these metrics are based on a 4-day case count per 100,000.



### Nationwide COVID-19 Cases

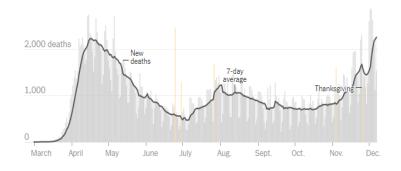


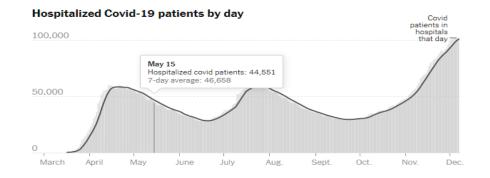
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Hospitalization data from the Covid Tracking Project; 14-day change trends use 7-day averages.

### Nationwide Death Rate

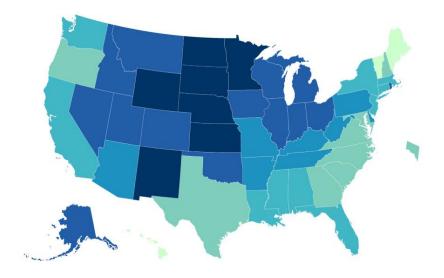
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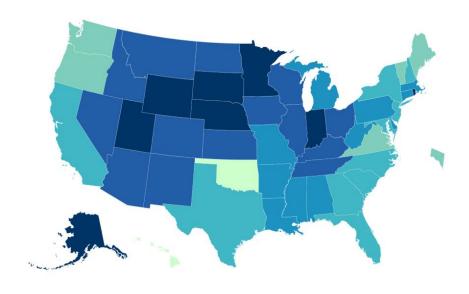


### U.S. COVID-19 Case Rate

**Situation Status Report** 







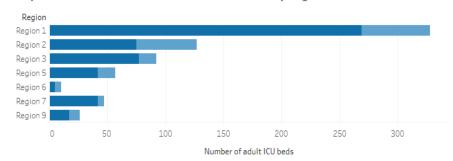
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Case in Last 7 Days per 100,000

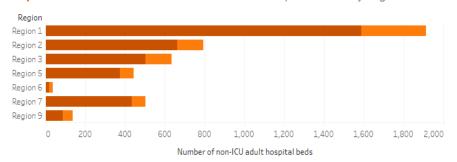
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# **Oregon COVID-19 Hospitalization Rates**

Occupied and Available staffed adult ICU beds by region



### Occupied and Available staffed non-ICU adult hospital beds<sup>3</sup> by region





The Oregon Health Authority reports that 565 Oregonians are hospitalized with COVID-19.

#### **COVID-19 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SET TO EXPIRE**

- The federal CARES Act was signed into law in March 2020. It was a 2-trillon dollar economic relief
  package designed to help protect Americans from the public health and economic impact from
  COVID-19. Unless renewed or extended, the following CARES programs are set to end at the end
  of the year:
  - CARES Act Paycheck Protection Program (PPP)
  - CARES Act Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)
  - CARES Act Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)
  - CARES Act Business Interest Deductibility
- The suspension of student loan payments is also set to expire on January 31, 2021.

#### VACCINATION CARDS WILL BE ISSUED WHEN YOU GET YOUR VACCINATION

- Vaccination cards will be issued to everybody getting a COVID-19 vaccination.
- Dr. Kelly Moore of the Immunization Action Coalition said this is the simplest way of keeping track of COVID-19 shots.
- The wallet size card will tell them what they had and when their next dose is due.
- Vaccination clinics will also report what vaccine was given to their state immunization registries.
- Every dose administered will be reported to the U.S. Center for Disease Control.

### COVID-19 Vaccinations may be a challenge in Alabama and other Poor, Rural States

- Under Operation Warp Speed, distribution of COVID-19 vaccine has been promised to all of America
- However, this soaring ambition is set to run into the barriers of health care and mistrust in rural and impoverished parts of America.
- Residents of these places are especially vulnerable to the virus because of poor health care and often precarious employment in low wage jobs.
- The delivery of COVID-19 shots will play out at understaffed clinics and overwhelmed pharmacies.
- There is distrust of Alabama's medical establishment by the black community. This is caused in
  part by medical research in Tuskegee a half century ago, in which syphilis patients were deceived
  and had medical treatment withheld to study the natural course of the disease.
- Dr. Shane Lee is a physician in Perry County, Alabama, a rural mostly African American community
  where more than a third of the population lives in poverty. Dr. Lee said shots that require
  ultracold storage, which is a specification of the Pfizer vaccine, are not practical in rural areas
  without big hospitals.
- Dr. Lee also said drive up vaccination sites are not realistic because more than 16 percent of the households in the county do not have a vehicle.

#### CAN VACCINES MAKE IT TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

- There are hopes Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine can reach remote places in the world. The vaccine
  is more stable than expected, and ordinary refrigerators can be used to provide cold-chain
  shipping and storage infrastructure.
- The Moderna vaccine is stable for up to six months at a temperature of -4 degrees Fahrenheit,

- which about the temperature of a home freezer. The vaccine can only be stored in a standard refrigerator for up to seven days.
- This opens the door for use in hard-to-reach places that might not be appropriate for the Pfizer vaccine which needs ultra-cold storage.
- The Pfizer vaccine can be transported and stored up to 6 months at -97 degrees Fahrenheit. It can be stored at standard refrigerator temperatures for up to five days.
- Many developing countries lack reliable electricity and cold storage, which are crucial to keep the vaccines effective.

#### **HOW TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT COVID-19**

- You may be feeling stressed and anxious about COVID-19, and so may your kids.
  - During any rapidly changing situation, loss of daily routine, isolation, and uncertainty, can lead to anxiety, fear, depression and loneliness. When you feel this way, your kids may feel it too. Talking to them about it can be challenging.
  - An honest and accurate discussion with your kids about COVID-19 can help them understand what's happening, relieve some of their fears, and make them feel safe.
  - Some tips: Choose a time when your kids want to talk, such as dinner. Ask what
    they already know and what questions and concerns they have. Listen and answer
    their questions in a way they can understand. If you don't know the answer, be
    honest. Let them know there are plenty of rumors and false information.
  - Talk with your kids frequently to see how they're coping, and to encourage them to express feelings, letting them know it's okay to be upset.

### What you can do to help your kids cope

- Remain Calm. Your kids will look to you for clues about how to act.
- Keep to a routine. Keep or create new family routines, such as learning activities, mealtimes, chores, relaxation and bedtimes.
- Limit access to news. Constant news about the coronavirus may heighten fears of the disease.
- Be creative about ways to have fun. Encourage activities that your kid will enjoy, such as puzzles, art projects, reading and music.
- Enjoy virtual socializing. Connect with friends and family using phone calls and Facetime or similar apps.
- Avoid placing blame. Be careful not to blame specific people, including those in cultural, racial or ethnic groups.

### **COVID-19 Contact Tracing Apps**

- States are working to develop an app that will help facilitate COVID-19 contact tracing.
- Each state has its own app that is run by the state. The app requires that its users have Bluetooth enabled and exposure notifications turned on in order to get alerts.
- Alerts are made when you encounter someone else with a positive COVID-19 test for at least 15
  minutes. The alert is made if the person with the positive test result has the exposure notification
  system enabled on their phone.
- 20 states are already using the system, and Oregon State University has launched a pilot app.

# H. APPENDIX B – CURRENT EAP OBJECTIVES 12/04/20-12/18/20

### COMMAND'S EMPHASIS FOR OPERATIONAL PERIOD (12/04/20 – 12/18/20):

- 1. Directly protect human life and public health, including the safety and health of all City employees, and incident responders.
- 2. Proactively identify issues that could pose financial, legal or other risks to the City and our staff. Develop policies that reduce risk to the City and our workers, including reducing the risk of virus transmission. Ensure that response actions do not introduce new risk to the City, staff or volunteers.
- 3. Support the delivery of emergency services that the City and public depends on.
- 4. Create and maintain an ECC workforce that is oriented towards sustainability for a long-term incident requiring remote work and promoting ECC staff health and safety.
- 5. Minimize non-essential efforts and make wise use of resources in anticipation of a long-duration incident.
- 6. Uphold confidence in City government and demonstrate a unified City effort in response. Use established chains of command and agreed-upon processes for decision-making and communication.
- 7. Maintain unity of effort for strategic response and recovery planning for economic assistance to affected communities; maintain frequent and open communication between the ECC and City leadership, Prosper Portland, the Mayor's office, and state and federal agencies working on economic recovery efforts.
- 8. Address the immediate food security, personal protective equipment, and sheltering needs of Portland community members experiencing the largest disparities. Work to recognize, assess, and reduce disparities in the provision of all services and resources provided to the public. By focusing on decreasing disparities, we create an emergency response system that works for everyone.
- 9. Ensure compliance with Civil Rights Title VI and ADA Title II in all ECC functions. Center our work in service to communities most impacted by COVID-19, which are: Black and Indigenous communities, communities of color, immigrant and refugee communities, people with disabilities and underlying conditions, and people with intersectional experiences of oppression.
- 10. Create an equitable workplace where employees experience a culture of belonging and inclusivity. Serve as a model of equity and collaboration for other bureaus.
- 11. Create opportunities for Portland employees who are also members of impacted communities to grow professionally and demonstrate leadership through work in the ECC.
- 12. Build relationships of trust with community members, partner organizations, and jurisdictional partners, and work to ensure our recovery is building towards a resilient, prosperous, healthy, equitable, and just city for all.

# ECC OBJECTIVES (12/04/20 - 12/18/20)

# 1. ECC-Administration/Command:

- a. Finalize section chiefs' list of primary candidates for surge or re-staffing of the ECC. ECC Manager to formally reach out to candidates and their bureau leadership to build support.
- b. Improve Resource Unit processes by implementing a scheduling software and continue testing the Microsoft Shifts software. Continue use of interim solution until a software is deployed. Job aid for new sections to be completed by **December 31st**.
- c. Develop position Task Book Training Program of qualifications for specific ECC positions for future deployment. Task books should identify the competencies, skillsets, and responsibilities that personnel should demonstrate to become qualified for a defined ECC position. Complete task books by December 31.
- d. Create ECC staff handbook for command and general staff. The handbook will include SOPs

- from sections, the Equity Toolkit, and onboarding and offboarding information. **Finalize** review and provide to ECC staff by December 31st.
- e. Expand use of the <u>City's Equity Toolkit for COVID-19 Community Response and Recovery Efforts (Equity Toolkit)</u> and the Results-Based Accountability framework across all ECC objectives, projects and priorities.
- f. Use the ECC Effective Communications Guide in all external communications to help ensure ADA compliance and further our equity goals. A person with a disability should be able to share and receive information from the ECC as effectively as a person who doesn't have a disability.
- g. Use the Language Access Guidance for the COVID-19 Response in all external communications to help ensure nondiscrimination on the basis of national origin. External communications should be accessible to all communities in simple language (8th grade reading level), more languages, mindful of cultural norms, and formats or platforms that facilitate meaningful access, such as audio, audio-video, etc.

#### 2. Coordination:

- a. Complete winterization efforts at the temporary Outdoor Emergency Shelters by December 11.
- b. Connect the Food Security Data to the JVIC Dashboard by the end of the operational period.
- c. Develop a marketing plan for The Donation Button for the Employee Annual Giving Campaign (open for both employees and the public) by the end of the operational period.
- d. Schedule focus group meetings with CBOs to better understand CBO preferences **related to coordination and communication** by the end of 2020.
- e. Meet to receive additional direction from tribal representatives to support their efforts in assisting tribal members living in Portland by December 31.
- f. Address food security needs with the most vulnerable communities in Portland by: Identifying and working with networks and leaders in communities of color/immigrant communities, elders at risk, and people with disabilities to determine the most appropriate ways to address their food needs; Use this work to support locally owned food providers and culturally identified businesses during the economic crisis.
  - i. Hire a Food Security lead by December 18.
  - ii. Execute contracts and deliver CARES cards for distribution through December 31.
  - iii. Spend the remaining Lunch + Play funds by December 31 by coordinating with David Douglas SUN School, hiring new staff, executing Oregon Food Bank contract, and distributing CARES Cards to SUN pantry and school sites.

#### 3. Finance:

- a. Support the CARES Act allocation funding disbursement to East County Cities, OHSU, and bureau led community support programs until **December 30**.
- b. Review and audit incident expenses and submit applications for congregate sheltering, PPE, ECC staff costs, campsite cleanup, communications, and food security projects to FEMA for potential reimbursement.
- c. Track all expenses pertaining to the Food Security Project, provide support to PDX CARES Card distribution team and finalize CBO contracts by **December 30**.
- d. Provide financial guidance and support to the temporary Outdoor Emergency Shelters until the end of the City of Portland's Emergency Declaration.

- e. Provide facilitation and financial guidance to support the St. Johns Shelter project development.
- f. Provide procurement support to household, rent, and mortgage assistance contracts and the Digital Divide Work Group program.
- g. Track the status of contracts and agreements through the City procurement process.
- h. Monitor CARES Act funding allocation to identify underutilized funds to be spent by December 30.

### 4. Joint Information Center (JIC):

a. Compile results, initial findings, and recommendations of August-November online media campaigns and produce a report by December 15.

### 5. **Logistics**:

- a. Review inventory of critical PPE and purchase as necessary to maintain inventory in case of a concurrent emergency, COVID-19 resurgence, and City reentry by December 31.
- b. Finalize procedures for Chromebook Replacement Program in partnership with Smart City PDX by mid-December.
- c. Order and store supplies for PBOT's "Plaza Kit" program an establish delivery procedures for supplies by December 31.

### 6. **Planning**:

- a. Draft a City Vaccination Project Plan for COVID Policy Team review by December 18 at the latest. Include research and a communication coordination process with the JIC and OMF, and a County/State feedback process to share with Mayor's Office and Government Relations.
- b. Prepare for the December 17 Disaster Policy Council meeting, in coordination with ECC Manager and PBEM Director.
- c. Monitor the implementation of new abbreviated Situation Status Report published on Tuesdays through December 31.
- d. Check in with Chiefs during non-EAP weeks to update section recommendation goals from the Status Report.
- e. Plan for pandemic resurgence (remobilization), end of pandemic (demobilization), and concurrent emergencies (flooding, severe cold, and wind or snowstorm events) with ECC and PBEM leadership.
- f. Support City Leadership with the ECC's as well as City, State, County, and Metro's pandemic response research and propose coordination opportunities.

# 7. Safety Officer:

- a. Update Illness in the Workplace and Contact Tracing Guidelines to incorporate OR OSHA requirements by December 11.
- b. Develop OR OSHA Risk Assessment and Infection Control Plan documents for the ECC by December 7.

# 8. **Equity Officer**:

- a. Develop an Equity lens based on the Equity Toolkit, national best practices and resources, and other citywide Equity tools, (budget Equity tool) for use in all decision making, planning, program design, resource allocation, service delivery, and communications to ensure institutionalization of Equity throughout the ECC.
- b. Coordinate and oversee the Equity subject matter experts working to advise the ECC

- and develop a process for their advisement to ECC sections, their programs and program leads.
- c. Ensure all Equity efforts of the ECC are in alignment with the Equity standards, guidance, tools, and policy set by the Office of Equity and Human Rights.
- d. Meet regularly with ECC section chiefs to support the implementation of Equity decision-making tools and processes across ECC sections.
- e. Check in with Section Chiefs on progress of implementation of the ECC Equity guidance, resources, and tools overview document (accessed through the new ECC Equity channel in Teams) over the next two weeks.
- f. Provide Equity and Language Access advisement and training to the Coordination and Finance teams, and the Logistics Chief over the next two weeks.
- g. Provide advisement and support to Planning Section Chief in providing initial training to Planning Section staff on the roll out of the Equity guidance, tools, and resources at the December 9 Planning Section Team meeting.
- h. Provide Language Access and Equity advisement to and with Joint Information Center staff and PIO, the Food Security Project, and the Office of Community Technology Director **over the next two weeks**.