



SITUATION REPORT: COVID-19

*All updates since last report highlighted in red*

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**Executive Summary:**

Hamilton County Public Health (HCPH), the Ohio Department of Health (ODH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and World Health Organization are closely monitoring an outbreak of respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) coronavirus (termed “COVID-19”) first identified in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019 and which continues to expand. Antibody testing has revealed cases of COVID-19 were present in Ohio as early as January. The first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Hamilton County was announced on 03/19/2020 and the first two confirmed deaths were announced on 04/01/2020. As of the issuance of this Situation Report there are currently **2,698 (+95)** confirmed cases in Hamilton County, **540 (+16)** of which are hospitalized and **151 (+4)** deaths. Statewide, there are **35,984 (+1,418)** confirmed cases and **2,206 (+75)** deaths in Ohio, with **6,112 (+165)** hospitalizations in all 88 counties. Nationally there are **1,798,298(+67,263)** confirmed cases and **104,658 (+2,457)** reported deaths related to the disease.

**Local Declarations of State of Emergency:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addyston VLG          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glendale VLG        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> North College Hill CTY     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amberley VLG          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Golf Manor VLG      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Norwood CTY                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anderson TWP          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Green TWP           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading CTY                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arlington Heights VLG | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greenhills VLG      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> St. Bernard VLG            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blue Ash CTY          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Harrison CTY        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sharonville CTY (part)     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cheviot CTY           | <input type="checkbox"/> Harrison TWP                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silverton CTY              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cincinnati CTY        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lincoln Heights VLG | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Springdale CTY             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cleves VLG            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lockland VLG        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Springfield TWP            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Colerain TWP          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loveland CTY (part) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sycamore TWP               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Columbia TWP          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Madeira CTY         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Symmes TWP                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crosby TWP            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mariemont VLG       | <input type="checkbox"/> Terrace Park VLG                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deer Park CTY         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Miami TWP           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village of Indian Hill CTY |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delhi TWP             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Milford CTY (part)  | <input type="checkbox"/> Whitewater TWP                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elmwood Place VLG     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Montgomery CTY      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Woodlawn VLG               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Evendale VLG          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mt. Healthy CTY     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wyoming CTY                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fairfax VLG           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newtown VLG         |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forest Park CTY       | <input type="checkbox"/> North Bend VLG                 |  |

**Other Declarations:**

Hamilton County: March 12, 2020 | State of Ohio: March 9, 2020 | Federal Disaster: March 13, 2020

Hamilton County EOC Status:

## Emergency Activation Level 2 – Partial EOC Activation

The Hamilton County EOC activated at 0800 hrs. on 03/13/2020 and will operate from 0800 – 1600 hrs., Monday through Friday, which includes a Joint Information Center activation.

Emergency Support Functions (ESFs) Activated:

- #4 – Fire & EMS
- #5 – Emergency Management
- #7 – Resource Management
- #8 – Public Health & Healthcare Providers
- #15 – Emergency Public Information

## Recurring Meetings and Press Conferences:

- [HC Commissioner Denise Driehaus Update](#) | Wednesdays at 10:00 A.M.
- HC Community Leadership Update | Tuesdays at 11:00 A.M. (closed to public)
- [HC Board of County Commissioners Meeting](#) | Thursdays at 1:00 P.M.
- [Governor Mike DeWine Daily Press Conference](#) | Monday-Thursday at 2:00 P.M.
- [City of Cincinnati COVID-19 Press Conference](#) | Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 03:30 P.M.
- First Responder/Essential Personnel Peer Support | Tuesday at 07:00 P.M. and Thursdays at 10:00 A.M.

## Current Actions:

Both the Hamilton County and City of Cincinnati EOCs are operating concurrently at the Regional Operations Center. The State of Ohio transitioned to a Full EOC Activation on 03/25/2020. The Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners voted on 04/16/2020 to renew the County Declaration of Emergency for an additional 60 days.

Effective 03/18/2020 the Todd B. Portune Center for County Government is closed to the public. Service modifications and actions being taken by County departments as services begin to reopen can be viewed on the [County website](#). Many departments are currently offering services via the web. A touchless temperature check and a mask are required to enter the Hamilton County Courthouse. Hamilton County Probate Court has resumed some hearings.

Hamilton County Administration has announced budget cuts of up to 20% to reduce the financial burden of COVID-19 on County operations. New programs previously introduced under the 2020 budget will be canceled or discontinued. Some previously furloughed County personnel have been redeployed to HC Public Health and will be trained as contact tracers. County departments continue to develop and reevaluate budget plans to address anticipated funding shortfalls.

Hamilton County Treasurer Robert Goering has announced that real estate property tax collection, originally scheduled for 06/22/2020 will be postponed until 07/17/2020

Great Parks of Hamilton County has announced additional services will be reopening on 06/01/2020 including: restrooms, boathouses, softball fields and adventure outposts. Registration is open for virtual day camp and other at home activities have been posted online. More information can be found at: <https://www.greatparks.org/covid-19>

Governor Mike DeWine has announced that 05/01/2020, the state will begin a phased-in reopening of the state economy. Additional openings were announced on 5/28/2020.

- ❖ **June 1:** Catering at banquet centers (under similar guidelines as restaurants – limit of 300 persons)
- ❖ **June 8:** Outside visitation at intermediate care and assisted living facilities.

Any sectors not listed above will remain closed under the provisions of the statewide stay at home order issued on 03/23/2020 and amended on 04/06/2020. No timeframe for opening additional sectors has been announced at this time. Mandatory guidelines for business reopening (and those that have remained open) have been announced. A full list of sector specific operating requirements, responsible protocols and a list of business that will remain closed can be viewed at: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/responsible-restart-ohio/>. Employees will be eligible to apply for unemployment compensation benefits if they become ill and need to take an extended leave if not covered by a company policy. Orders specific to the reopening of restaurants (“Dine Safe Order”) and personal care services (hair salons, day spas, tattoo parlors, etc.) were signed by Dr. Acton on 05/14/20.

On 05/19/2020, Governor DeWine released details of the new "Ohioans Protecting Ohioans Urgent Health Advisory" which replaces the Stay Safe Ohio order that was issued by the Ohio Department of Health on April 30, 2020. The health order replaces language requiring Ohioans to stay at home with limited exceptions with language that strongly recommends that citizens, especially those who are high-risk, stay at home as much as possible. The order does not change the mass gathering restrictions, which remain at a 10-person limit. The new health advisory also lifts overall travel restrictions and the requirement to quarantine if someone travels to or returns to Ohio. Unnecessary travel within or outside of Ohio is not encouraged. This change additionally does not affect the mandatory sector specific operating requirements for businesses that have reopened.

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services sent a message to Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) applicants informing them that their names, social security numbers and addresses were able to be viewed by other unemployment applicants on May 15. Personal information was unconcealed for about an hour and able to be viewed by about two dozen applicants. Deloitte, the state contracted administrator of the PUA program has promised free credit monitoring services for 12 months for all PUA applicants.

The Governors Minority Health Strike Force has announced initial findings on the disproportionate impacts of COVID-19 on minority communities will be posted online in the coming days and final recommendations will be issued June 11. Some of this data has been added to the ODH COVID-19 Dashboard.

Governor DeWine announced the create of 14 Congregate Care Unified Response Teams which will deploy to nursing homes with past or present COVID history beginning this week. Team will be headed by the Ohio National Guard in partnership with local healthcare and public health personnel.

The Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation has announced it will be deferring business premiums due in June, July and August.

ODH has added a tab to the Coronavirus Information Portal that includes all testing and community healthcare center locations in the state of Ohio. This information can be viewed at: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/testing-ch-centers/>

#### **Previous Actions:**

Previous actions and actions rendered redundant by more recent actions These actions can be viewed in previously released SitReps.

#### **Potential Hazards:**

- Pandemics can cause economic damage through multiple channels, including short-term fiscal shocks and longer-term negative shocks to economic growth.
- Individual behavioral changes, such as fear-induced aversion to workplaces and other public gathering places, are a primary cause of negative shocks to economic growth during pandemics.
- Some pandemic mitigation measures can cause significant social and economic disruption.
- Several instances of cyber-criminals and scammers sending fake COVID-19 themed communications offering hard to find medical supplies, stimulus relief check information or cures to the virus have been documented. Criminals will continue to attempt to exploit public anxiety and the needs of organizations for personal gain.

Community Lifelines:

Safety & Security Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Current Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Disruption
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Law Enforcement:</b> No current disruption. The Hamilton County Police Chiefs Association has adopted the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office COVID-19 Contingency Plan as the preferred protocol for policing in each jurisdiction, with some adjustments for each municipality. This plan includes the implementation of Limited Reporting Procedures, Limited Auto Crash Response Procedure, Limited Medical Response Procedure, and Non-Emergency Crime Reporting Procedures. The population at the Hamilton County jail has been reduced by 40%.</li> <li>• <b>Search &amp; Rescue:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Fire Service:</b> No current disruption. Fire and EMS have been instructed to ration the use of PPE and review procedures for handling patients who are symptomatic of COVID-19.</li> <li>• <b>Government Services:</b> No current disruption. Hamilton County departments under the Board of County Commissioners began implementing their remote working plans starting on 03/17/20. The Todd B. Portune Center for County Government as well as other Hamilton County Buildings are closed to the public starting 03/19/20. Hamilton County announced budget cuts and staff furloughs on 04/13/20. Several jurisdictions have closed administrative/departmental offices to the public, offering services and payments to be conducted via phone and email. Many jurisdictions have suspended mayors court.</li> <li>• <b>Responder Safety &amp; Security:</b> No current disruption. Battle Memorial Institute has made access to the Critical Care Decontamination System (CCDS), used to decontaminate N95 masks free for Law Enforcement and EMS agencies through the Ohio State Highway Patrol.</li> <li>• <b>Imminent Hazard Mitigation:</b> No current disruption.</li> </ul>			
Health & Medical Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> No Current Disruption	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Limited Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Disruption
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Medical Care:</b> Health providers will be reevaluating the status of some previously postponed/cancelled elective procedures. The Duke Energy Alternate Care Site has been demobilized but remains an option should cases increase significantly.</li> <li>• <b>Patient Movement:</b> No current disruption. ESF #4 is engaged in discussions with local Fire Depts, hospitals and private EMS providers about the movement of COVID-19 patients to and between facilities. Conduit is operating under surge transport protocols</li> <li>• <b>Public Health:</b> No current disruption. Hamilton County Public Health has provided additional capacity to the Epidemiology Division through the training of additional staff on contact tracing. Bilingual contact tracers have been added. HCPH is conducting essential inspections while ensuring that social distancing guidelines are being followed. HCPH updated 13 POD plans from skilled nursing, assisted living and hospice facilities. HCPH continues to coordinate information and actions with State and local partners. The Ohio Department of Health and the CDC are recommending individuals wear cloth or homemade masks when out in public to supplement social distancing. The ODH COVID-19 dashboard now includes the names all of nursing homes in Ohio that have confirmed cases as well as the total number of cases.</li> <li>• <b>Fatality Management:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Health Care Supply Chain:</b> Hospitals, care facilities and other healthcare providers have begun rationing PPE due to limited regional supply and global high demand for these products. Hamilton County Public Health is accepting donations of homemade facemasks from the community. Hamilton County EMHSA continues to accept PPE donations from the public. Battelle Memorial Institute has made the CCDS available to Ohio hospitals for free.</li> </ul>			

Food, Water, Sheltering Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Current Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Disruption
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Evacuations:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Food/Potable Water:</b> No current disruption. Kroger, Costco and other grocery chains have announced purchasing limits on meat products due to supply chain shortages caused by processing plant closures. Shortages of meat products are expected to impact the variety of cuts and not overall availability of meat products in general. Restaurants are limited to carryout, delivery and outdoor dining only. Restaurants with liquor licenses can offer carry out liquor in limited quantities. SNAP recipients in Ohio are able to order groceries online for curbside pickup and pay without entering the grocery store. SNAP administrative verification has been waived. ODJFS has announced a \$250M program to provide SNAP benefits to students that rely on school based free or reduced-price meal programs; eligible families will receive \$300.</li> <li>• <b>Shelter:</b> No current disruption. Families and high-risk individuals experiencing homelessness have been placed in non-congregate shelters; additional funds to support continued and expanded operations was approved by the Board of County Commissioners.</li> <li>• <b>Durable Goods:</b> Open source media is reporting that local stores are working to keep shelves stocked with durable goods like toilet paper and other commodities that are selling at higher than normal volumes.</li> <li>• <b>Water:</b> No current disruption. Legislation passed in the Ohio Legislature on March 25, 2020 requires public water systems to restore services to customers that were disconnected due to non-payment, waive all connection/reconnection fees and prohibit service disconnection because of non-payment for the duration of the Statewide Declared Emergency. MSD has partnered with the US EPA to monitor wastewater from all 7 treatment plants in Hamilton County to assist in the detection of virus hotspots.</li> <li>• <b>Agriculture:</b> No current disruption.</li> </ul>			
Transportation Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Current Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Disruption
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Road:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Public Transportation:</b> Metro will operate most weekday routes on a Saturday schedule until further notice. Express routes with a local route option will not operate. The following routes: 1, 16, 28, 32, 38X, 42X, 43, 50, 51, 67X, 71X, 82X, 85 and Metro Plus will continue to operate on their current weekday schedule. The Cincinnati Bell Connector (streetcar) operations and scooter programs have all been suspended. Public bike programs have resumed operations.</li> <li>• <b>Rail:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Air:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Waterways:</b> No current disruption.</li> </ul>			
Communications Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Current Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Disruption
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Infrastructure:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Alerts, Warnings, and Messaging:</b> No current disruption. The County is disseminating information and alerts regularly using the Joint Information Center. Methods of distribution include social media, press releases, and Alert HC.</li> <li>• <b>911 and Dispatch:</b> No current disruption. Ohio Department of Health Director Dr. Amy Acton signed an order requiring Public Health agencies to provide the names and addresses of individuals who test positive for COVID-19 to local dispatch agencies that serve their jurisdictions; this protected health information will be for limited use only. Hamilton County Communications Center has opened a second location using newly acquired technology to allow for the social distancing of personnel.</li> <li>• <b>Responder Communications:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li>• <b>Financial Services:</b> No current disruption.</li> </ul>			

Hazardous Material Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Current Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Disruption
 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Facilities:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li><b>Hazardous Debris, Pollutants, Contaminants:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li><b>Pipeline:</b> No current disruption.</li> </ul>				
Energy Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Current Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Disruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Disruption
 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Power (Grid):</b> No current disruption. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) has ordered all regulated electric and natural gas providers (as well as other utilities) to review policies regarding service disconnection for the duration of the declared state of emergency.</li> <li><b>Temporary Power:</b> No current disruption.</li> <li><b>Fuel:</b> No current disruption.</li> </ul>				

### Resource Support:

- All healthcare providers have been reminded to follow CDC guidelines for proper use of PPE as supplies may become limited.
- Hamilton County EMHSA continues to work with the Health Collaborative managing donations of PPE by private industry and residents.
- Hamilton County has sourced needed PPE supplies from pre-stocked Point of Dispensing (POD) sites and specialty response assets. These resources have been added to the regional stockpile.
- Hamilton County has received several shipments from the State of Ohio including three shipments from the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) and has been distributing these supplies to local first responder agencies and hospitals.
- Hamilton County Purchasing continues to seek and vet vendors for needed supplies.

### Information Resources for Residents:

- Hamilton County Government – [Hamilton County Reopens](#)
- Hamilton County Public Health – [COVID-19 Resources](#) | P: 513-946-7800
- Hamilton County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Agency – [COVID-19 Information Portal](#)
- Hamilton County Job & Family Services – [Coronavirus Updates and JFS Services](#)
- Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation – [Coronavirus Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- Ohio Department of Aging – [Staying Connected Check in Service](#) | P: 1-833-ODA-CHAT (1-833-632-2428)
- Ohio Department of Health – [Coronavirus Information](#) | P: 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-888-427-5634)
- Ohio Department of Job and Family Services – [Office of Unemployment Insurance Operations](#) | P: 877-644-6562
- Ohio Department of Job and Family Services – [Ohio Means Jobs Career Counseling Center](#)
- Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services – COVID Careline | P: 1-800-720-9616 (available 24/7)
- Ohio Governor’s Office of Workforce Transformation – [COVID-19 Job Search](#)

### Information Resources for Businesses:

- Cincinnati | Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce – [COVID-19 Member Resources](#)
- Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber – [COVID-19 Business Center](#)
- Hamilton County | [COVID-19 Relief Program for Small Businesses](#)
- Hamilton County Development Corporation (HCDC) – [COVID-19 Resource Guide](#) | P: 513- 631-8292
- Ohio Development Services Agency – [Office of Small Business Relief](#)
- State of Ohio – [Ohio Manufacturing Alliance to Fight COVID-19](#)
- State of Ohio – [Responsible RestartOhio](#)
- US Small Business Administration – [Disaster Assistance in Response to COVID-19](#)

Attachments:

- Johns Hopkins – [Interactive COVID-19 Map](#)
- Ohio Department of Health – [Interactive COVID-19 Dashboard](#) (Updated at 2PM daily)
- Hamilton County Public Health – [COVID-19 Updates Page](#) (Updated at 2PM daily)
- Hamilton County Government – [Archive of Community Updates and Commissioner Meetings](#)
- Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) – [COVID-19 Projections](#)
- Ohio Department of Health - [Stay Safe Order](#) (partially rescinded and amended) – Effective 05/20/20
- Ohio Department of Health – [Urgent Health Advisory: Ohioans Protecting Ohioans](#)
- Ohio Department of Health – [COVID-19: Myths Versus Facts](#)

**Hamilton County COVID-19 Cases by ZIP Code**  
(Includes all Public Health Districts in Hamilton County. Updated daily. Last updated 06/01/2020)

