

Seneca County EMA Situation Report #85

COVID-19 Response September 14th, 2020

County EOC Status: Monitoring

State EOC: Activated

Distribution List: Villages, Townships, Seneca County Elected Officials, City of Tiffin Elected Officials, City of Fostoria Elected Officials, Fire Chiefs, Law Enforcement, Seneca County Education Contacts and LEPC/HS and Mental Health Recovery Services

Ohio

Confirmed Cases: 131,235 (+4,129 in the last 72 hours)

Probable: 7,249
Confirmed Deaths: 4,126
Probable Deaths: 293

Seneca County: LEVEL 1 PUBLIC EMERGENCY Ohio's Public Health Advisory System NEW

Metrics (as of 9/14)

Total Cases: 424 (+23)
Active Cases: 29 (+/-0)
Deaths: 14 (+1)
Recovered: 381 (+49)
Hospitalized: 4 (+/-0)

Resources:

Ohio ODH: coronavirus.ohio.gov

CDC: CDC.gov

Seneca County General Health District: senecahealthdistrict.org

Executive Summary

GOVERNOR: Governor DeWine did not hold a press briefing today, however he did sign House Bill 606 into law which grants civil immunity to essential businesses in the event of COVID-19 transmission.

LEGISLATURE: Appearing in front of the Ohio Controlling Board today, Secretary of State Frank LaRose requested legislative approval for him to spend over \$3 million to pay for return postage for absentee ballots in light of the constraints that the pandemic has placed on in-person voting. Republican legislators questioned the legal authority of the Secretary of State to provide postage, and ultimately denied LaRose's request.

Senate Pro Tempore Bob Peterson (R-Sabina) was one of the members who voted against the request during the virtual hearing. Shortly prior to the vote being held, Peterson announced that he has



tested positive for COVD-19. Having recently been together with Peterson, President Obhof (R-Medina) said he will isolate at home out of abundance of caution.

Seneca County Commissioners: www.senecacountyohio.gov

Seneca County General Health District: www.senecahealthdept.org

Seneca County Health Commissioner will produce Facebook Live videos with updates from the Health District. This will occur at 10:30 on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. Videos will be archived on Facebook and can be viewed live on the Health Department's and Commissioner's FB pages.

Emergency Management Agency

SCAM ALERT: There are a number of ever evolving scams related to the current pandemic. Remember that during contact tracing no legitimate health department will ask you for insurance, medicare or credit card information. You can learn about current scams at oig.hhs.gov/coronavirus/fraud-alert-covid19.asp and report suspicious phone calls or contacts with suspected scammers by calling 800.447.8477.

The EMA will continue to update our partners on the numbers twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays. Please continue to send your information to be shared with our partners to jspahr@senecacountyohio.gov.

Seneca County Regional Planning: senecarpc.org

Blood Collection: www.redcross.org

For a limited time, your blood donation will include an antibody test with results returned to you through your Red Cross Donor App. Go to <u>redcrossblood.org</u> for more information.

Blood Collection Screeners Needed: COVID-19 has disrupted our daily lives, but the need for lifesaving bloodhasn't changed. To help protect everyone's safety, we have a need for Donor Screener volunteers (ages 18+) to take the temperatures of blood donors entering American Red Cross blood drives or donation centers.

In this volunteer position you can volunteer just once or multiple times, the choice is yours! Apply now at www.redcross.org/volunteer

For more information or questions, please contact Melanie Collins at Melanie.Collins4@redcross.org or 330-204-6615.

Mental Health and Recovery Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties: www.mhrsbssw.org

City of Tiffin: www.tiffinohio.gov

Job and Family Services: https://djfs.co.seneca.oh.us/

Education: http://www.ncoesc.org/

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Tiffin-Seneca Public Library: http://tiffinsenecalibrary.org

OSS Solid Waste District: https://recycleoss.org/

Economic Recovery (Seneca County): https://www.tiffinchamber.com/coronavirus-resources

This situational report will be sent around 4 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays and as needed on other weekdays and weekends.

If you wish to update or add information to this report, please send it to the EMA at jspahr@senecacountyohio.gov by 2:30 p.m. each publishing day.