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Hello. According to the Rutherford Board of Health, as of 3:30 pm today, the total number of COVID-19 positive cases in Rutherford has risen to a total of 43.

The residents with new positive results are in their 60s and 90s. The situation continues to be closely monitored by our Board of Health. Our first responders continue to take all possible precautions when assisting our community.

I'd also like to address reported incidents of residents not complying with social distancing. As the weather becomes nicer, we understand the urge to gather outside. This is not a safe or wise choice, and cannot be tolerated by the community. The harsh truth is that there are only two groups of people right now: healthcare professionals risking their own lives in overburdened hospitals and the rest of us who must support them by staying healthy.

Please do not complain to store employees that are limiting customers into their building. They are doing their job in order to protect themselves and you. If you are not feeling well, for any reason, stay home. There are many options for home delivery right now. A list of businesses that are delivering can be found on the Borough website.

The choices each of you make now will impact Rutherford and the community as a whole for the foreseeable future.

If you're a business that hasn't already done so, please fill out the form located on the Borough website to be included in our list of open essential businesses.

Rutherford Police and EMS are still gratefully accepting donations of any N-95 and non N-95 masks, disposable gloves and disposable gowns. Please contact the Mayor's office directly at 201-460-3022.

This of course is a fluid situation and the Borough is in constant communication with County and State officials. As needed, we will be updating residents by Borough website, Twitter, and Facebook daily.

We are all in this together. Please keep being responsible and Rutherford will get through this. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Councilwoman Stephanie McGowan