



April 22nd, 2020

Hello. According to the Rutherford Health Department, as of 3:00 pm today, the total number of COVID-19 positive cases in Rutherford has risen to a total of 146.

The residents with new positive results range in age from 38 to 61. The situation continues to be closely monitored by our Health Department. Our first responders continue to take all possible precautions when assisting our community.

I'd like to thank our EMS and first responders for their tremendous dedication to our community. Please continue to support them by donating N-95 and non N-95 masks, disposable gloves and disposable gowns. Please contact the Mayor's office directly at 201-460-3022.

Please remember that masks are required for anyone entering an establishment. This applies to both customers and employees.

Congress is in the process of completing legislation that will offer additional funding to the Paycheck Protection Program. If you're a small business owner, please begin preparing your paperwork as this will most likely be a first come, first served situation.

For families who are currently food insecure, the Meadowlands YMCA will be holding another Emergency Drive Thru Food Box Distribution on Friday, April 24th from 11:00 am until supplies last. The Meadowlands YMCA is located at 390 Murray Hill Parkway, East Rutherford. This service is provided by the Meadowlands Family Success Center and Meadowlands YMCA, in cooperation with the Community Food Bank of New Jersey. Each family is allowed one box and cars will line up and be loaded by staff. Please allow room in your car for the box. Since this is on a first come, first served basis, there is no registration required.

Today's non-essential business spotlight is Park Floral Designs. They are open for business for curbside pick-up and delivery. As Mother's Day approaches, visit their website parkfloraldesigns.com and secure your order.

In celebration of today being Earth Day and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's 50th birthday, the DEP has compiled a list of fun, environmentally conscious ["Things To Do At Home" activities](#) for the whole family. The link can be found on the Borough website.

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.

Sincerely,
Councilwoman
Maria Begg-Roberson