



April 5th, 2020

Hello. According to the Rutherford Board of Health, as of 2:00 pm today, the total number of COVID-19 positive cases in Rutherford has risen to a total of 76.

The residents with new positive results range in age from 24 to 79. 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.

Although these numbers are high, it's important to remember that this was not unexpected as testing becomes more available. Social distancing is still our best way to combat this virus.

The Rutherford Department of Health has also received a breakdown of laboratory confirmed COVID-19 cases from the NJ State Health Department in the entire state for the month of March, by age:

0 to 4	=	Less than 1%
5 to 17	=	0.9%
18 to 29	=	12.7%
30 to 49	=	35.7%
50 to 64	=	30.4%
65 to 79	=	14.3%
80+	=	5.7%

Federal privacy rules protect sensitive patient health information. The Borough does not receive details nor could we disclose details without the patient's knowledge or consent. We understand concerns on this topic, but the Borough will continue to comply with federal privacy rules.

As a reminder, despite the fact that the weather is improving, it is imperative that we stay out of our parks.

Please visit the list of open businesses on our Borough website. This is updated in real time by the business owners who choose to enter their information.

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,

Mayor Frank Nunziato and the Rutherford Borough Council