

Town of Southwick Board of Health and Select Board COVID-19 Update for April 17, 2020

As of Friday, April 17, 2020, there have been 19 positive cases of COVID-19 in the Town of Southwick. The Southwick Board of Health would like to stress that this is not a complete profile of the status of COVID-19 in the Town of Southwick. This number reflects those individuals who have received positive test results and *not* those awaiting results, untested symptomatic individuals, and those who might currently be asymptomatic. Additionally, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health is posting cases by municipality. This information can be accessed at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-cases-quarantine-and-monitoring>.

Our Community Food Pantry continues to serve the residents of Southwick, Tolland and Granville. Because of the nature of the Coronavirus outbreak, they are currently seeking monetary donations in lieu of food donations due to the possibility of contamination. To find out more about utilizing the Food Pantry's services or to donate, please visit www.community-food-pantry.org or call them at 413-569-9876.

Bulk item and brush drop-off at the Town Transfer Station will continue to be suspended while the Department of Public Works and the Select Board formulate a new plan for disposing these items.

Town boards are continuing to conduct their meetings remotely under the Zoom Conference Call platform in order to gradually bring back services to residents and to inform the public of ongoing town business.

Residents are urged to continue to follow all public health precautions for reducing the spread of COVID-19: stay home unless absolutely necessary; if you must go out in public, practicing social distancing and proper hygiene etiquette; and if you are experiencing signs of illness - fever, cough, shortness of breath – call your primary care provider for advice.

The Southwick Board of Health and Select Board continue to post case numbers and updated information regarding COVID-19 every Friday at southwickma.org. For additional up-to-date information please visit mass.gov/2019coronavirus and cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov. For non-emergency information and assistance, please call 2-1-1 or visit mass211.org.