



PETERSBURG BOROUGH | PETERSBURG MEDICAL CENTER
EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTER UNIFIED COMMAND

JOINT MEDIA RELEASE: COVID-19 | EOC UNIFIED COMMAND SITUATION UPDATES

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

This brief responds to questions and provides an update on information from the Emergency Operations Center Unified Command (EOC) and its partner agencies. Contact the EOC with your questions at eoc@petersburgak.gov.

	Cumulative	Active	Recovered	Deceased
Resident	7	0	6	1
Non-resident	7	0	7	0

For current information about local case counts visit: www.psgcovidinfo.net

COMMUNITY MEETING REGARDING ORDINANCE 2020-19: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOROUGH CODE CHAPTER 3.72 TO PROVIDE FOR CIVIL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS THURS, SEPT 10 AT 4:00PM

At this meeting there will be presentations which will provide information regarding the Ordinance, the assembly will read comments/questions submitted by the public by Sept 3, and there will be time for public comments and question. The Borough Assembly, Attorney, Incident Commander Hagerman, PMC CEO Hofstetter and other selected Borough staff members will be present during the meeting. The meeting will be held by telephone. More information on how to participate and listen at www.petersburgak.gov

PETERSBURG BOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH MANDATE #5 (BOROUGH HARBOR FACILITIES – VESSEL DOCKING AND DISEMBARKMENT)

This local health mandate has been extended until December 31, 2020. No passenger vessel with interstate travelers aboard (including passengers and crew) who are subject to State of

Alaska Health Mandate #10 may disembark passengers or crew members onto the docks or floats of Borough harbor facilities, as defined in PMC 14.20.030, without the prior written approval of the Borough Public Health Officer. Such approval is to be conditioned upon a finding that the requirements of State of Alaska Health Mandate #10 have been satisfied and the vessel passengers and crew present no hazard of transmitting COVID-19 to the Petersburg community. Commercial fishing vessels are excluded from this mandate.

EXPANDED HOURS AT POOL & LIBRARY

- The pool is now open expanded hours and the sauna is open by reservation. It's FREE (no fees or membership use at this time). Information at <https://petersburgrec.com>
- Starting Sept 8 the library will be open expanded hours: Tues-Thurs 11-8, Fri & Sat 11-6.

MASKS FOR BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS

The EOC has thousands of masks available from the State and Federal governments to distribute to the community. Businesses and organizations are encouraged to make masks available to both employees and customers. Individuals and families are also encouraged to request masks. Request masks at eoc@petersburgak.gov or visit > <https://www.psgcovidinfo.net/mask-request>

AKCARES OVERSUBSCRIBED

As of 9/2, the AKCARES business grant program has received more applications than it has funding available. Applications are still being accepted. It is possible not all of the current submissions will be fully funded, but window is closing very, very rapidly on this program. Do not delay if you are planning to apply. <https://www.akcaresonline.org/>

FOOD FOR FAMILIES (P-EBT) DEADLINE EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 15

The Pandemic – Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) Program is additional money for families to buy food due to COVID-19 related school closures in March, April, and May of 2020. This program is intended to help cover unexpected expenses as a result of lost school meals in the spring. Eligible families will receive up to \$458 for each eligible child, which will be loaded on an EBT card and can be used to purchase groceries. Families should have received a form in the mail that needs to be mailed back and received by the state by September 15, 2020. If you believe you are eligible and did not receive a form, apply online here: <https://www.foodbankofalaska.org/pebt/> or you can call the Food Bank of Alaska at 907-222-3119 or text PEBT to 907-891-8913.

QUESTIONS ABOUT SYMPTOMS OR TEST RESULTS? CALL THE HOTLINE

Anybody can get tested who has ANY of the following symptoms: fever, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, a decreased appetite, diminished sense of taste or smell, diarrhea, fatigue, headache, muscle or joint aches, nausea, rash, rigors, a runny nose, a sore throat, sputum production. Anyone with any symptoms is encouraged to call PMC's 24-hour **COVID-19 hotline (907) 772-5788**. Experienced nurses are answering the calls.