

Executive Summary COVID-19 Response March 31, 2020 (1600 EDT)

SEOC Activation Status: Full HOC Activation Status: Full SEOC Activation Date/Time: March 11,2020 (0730 EDT)

Gubernatorial State of Emergency: Declared 3/13/20 Federal Emergency Declaration: Issued 3/13/20

A novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) was first detected in China at

the end of 2019. It has now spread to more than 100 locations

internationally, including the United States. The disease the

Current case status in Vermont, last updated by the Health

virus causes has been named "coronavirus disease 2019"



Red - most unstable or completely inadequate level of service Yellow - functional but inadequate for stability of a consistent level of service Green - stable

Situation

Current

Health and Medical

Other Lifelines

Lifelines: Impacts and Actions

- The Landmark College (Putney, VT) sample collection site collected specimens on 3/29/2020 and is ongoing to fill a gap not covered by hospitals and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) with support from the National Guard. Today they collected five-times the number of samples collected vesterday.
- I addition to this site, drive-up testing is available at the following locations: Brattleboro Memorial, Copley, Central Vermont, Dartmouth Hitchcock, North Country, Northwestern, Porter, Springfield, Rutland Regional and UVM Medical Center hospitals, with variable hours.
- Testing is currently being expanded as new test kits are being distributed to hospitals and FQHC across the state to include people with mild to moderate symptoms. Tests will still be prioritized, and a referral from a Primary Care Provider is still needed.
- Three alternate care facilities are available for operations. The Vermont Medical Surge Group is working to identify additional sites if needed. Sites are in Barre, Burlington, and St. Albans.
- The Medical Logistics Branch is supporting the SNS Warehouse Operations. PPE and medical supplies distribution plan will be forthcoming as they plan for an additional shipment of supplies.
- The VDH Lab received additional testing supplies and is implementing training for two new microbiologists and other new support personnel.
- The Vermont State Police and Burlington Police have assigned 42 staff to assist as COVID-19 Epi tracers. Training is ongoing this week at the Health Department in Burlington. • Continuing to monitor outbreaks are long-term care/senior housing facilities, newest being at Pinecrest in Essex Junction, VT. Blood Donor drives scheduled throughout Vermont in upcoming Future days and weeks to help with national blood shortage. Schedules regularly updated at redcrossblood.org. • A web portal will soon be online to efficiently provide testing results to providers; this is still under development. • The Department of Public Service (PSD) is developing guidance for **Current Situation** consumers for managing broadband service use in homes and businesses to ensure a better experience for important traffic such as telehealth video calls. There is a new website for Vermonters looking to volunteer: https://www.Vermont.gov/volunteer ture • No known disruptions to communications, energy, or hazardous material sectors at this time.

Safety and Security	Current Situation	 The Vermont State Police is monitoring for potential assistance to a local police department facing staffing shortages due to COVID-19 with responding to calls for service. 36% of counties reported experiencing a decrease in available fire service responders this week. This number is holding steady. Current fire mutual aid agreements are in place to provide more than five additional departments at every incident in all counties.
	Future	 Continuing to monitor absenteeism and disruptions in service. Expecting to increase over time.
Food, Water, Sheltering	Current Situation	 Human Services Branch is in the final stages of preparation to accept psychiatric patients at an isolation/recovery facility. Human Services Branch is coordinating the establishment of several isolation/recovery sites across the state to house vulnerable populations should the need arise. Enforcement of lodging restrictions outlined in the Governor's Executive Order is underway. Yesterday several establishments were reported as not compliant. Vermont State Police and the Attorney General's Office is following up with these business. ACCD continues to work in close contact with the Vermont Retail Grocers Association to monitor supply chain issues. Supply chain in good shape outside of bath tissue, sanitizer, and cleaning products which remain strained.
	Future	 Concerns are rising around health of employees and staffing a local food shelves should people get sick, many employees and volunteers are in vulnerable populations. Many sites are having to limit hours due to a lack of volunteers. Transitioning to a curb-side/delivery model is proving difficult for the Food Bank, but demand from home-bound seniors is rising and will continue to.
Transportation	Current Situation	 Border crossing points into Vermont are being prepared for data collection on visitors from out-of-state. Temporary gates are being constructed at Canaan, Derby and Alburgh. US/Canadian border crossings remain closed for non-essential travel.
	Future	 Vermont Translines suspended their bus service through April 15th. Governor Scott suspended Amtrak service to Vermont indefinitely.

Lifelines: Impacts and Actions



Incident Summary

stay home. (AZ and TN newest additions). · Major Disaster Declarations have been awarded in 24 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Guam.

• 265 million people in at least 32 states, 80 counties, 18 cities,

the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico are being urged to

Executive Order Measures:

(abbreviated "COVID-19").

· Positive test results: 293

Deaths: 13

Key Updates:

Total tests conducted: 4,250

· People being monitored: 237

· People who have completed monitoring: 556

Department at 1300 on 3/31/20:

- Gov. Scott issued Addendum 7 to Executive Order 01-02 on 3/30/20 which stated that any person, resident or nonresident, traveling into Vermont for anything other than an essential purpose, must immediately self-guarantine for 14 days.
- Gov. Scott instructed visitors not to travel to Vermont if they are displaying symptoms or if they are traveling from cities and regions identified as COVID-19 "hot spots," including, among others, the states of Florida and Louisiana and the cities of Detroit, Chicago and New York City.
- Gov. Scott ordered that on-line reservations shall be suspended and lodging providers shall post a prominent notice on their web platforms which advises potential guests that reservations for lodging in Vermont, as allowed, shall be accepted by phone only. Lodging services are only allowable in support of the COVID-19 Response for vulnerable populations or essential personnel.

Local State of Emergency: Burlington, Colchester, Johnson, Rutland

Local EOCs Activated (self-reported): Burlington, Chittenden (town), Charleston, Hartford, Johnson, Peacham, Pomfret, Rutland, "Mountain Town" virtual EOC (Landgrove, Londonderry, Weston), South Burlington, Strafford, Thetford, Waitsfield, Woodstock