



Executive Summary

COVID-19 Response
July 10, 2020 (1600 EDT)

SEOC Activation Status: Partial
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
Major Disaster Declaration: Issued 4/8/20

Community Lifeline Status



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

Lifelines: Impacts and Actions

Safety and Security	Current Situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Division of Fire Safety continues to dispense hand sanitizer to emergency response agencies. As states lift their restrictions, travel is becoming more prevalent, leading to increased risk of virus transmission.
	Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USAR and Swiftwater Teams will monitor tropical storm Fay as it approaches Vermont on its path through the State Friday night into Saturday for flooding.
Food, Water, Sheltering	Current Situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In July and August, Farmers-to-Families food boxes containing fresh produce, dairy products, and chicken will be available at multiple daily food distributions throughout the state. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reservations are required for the distributions. Register online or call 211 if there are internet issues. On 7/6 through 7/9, 2,546 sets of food were distributed at 12 sites. On 7/10, 669 sets of food were reserved at 3 sites (the number reserved tends to be slightly higher than the number actually distributed). The application for an Economic Recovery Grant is open to Vermont businesses. With funding available to the State of Vermont through the federal Coronavirus Relief Funds, these grants are intended for businesses who can demonstrate revenue loss in any one-month period from March 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020, when compared with the same month in 2019. Some 3,600 applications have been received so far. On 7/3, the Division for Historic Preservation announced that Vermont State Historic Sites are open on a limited basis.
	Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buildings and General Services is working on finding interpreters for food distribution sites. The Agency of Education is developing FAQs and sourcing supplies to support school reopening. The Local Support and Community Action Team of the Governor's Economic Mitigation and Recovery Task Force, in partnership with regional and local leaders, and with coordination from the Vermont Council on Rural Development, is hosting Community Recovery Visits in each Vermont county in the summer and fall of 2020.
Transportation	Current Situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interstate travel to and from counties in nearby states with 400 or fewer active COVID-19 cases per million is permitted without quarantine requirements. ACCD will update the cross-state travel map each week as to which counties are permitted for travel to and from without quarantine.
	Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public transportation is not running under normal operations, and it is unclear when this would return to standard conditions. As industries begin to open up the current social distancing protocols may prove to be challenging on bus routes.

Incident Summary	<p>A novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) was first detected in China at the end of 2019. It has now spread to almost every country, with the largest number of cases in the United States. The disease the virus causes has been named "coronavirus disease 2019" (abbreviated "COVID-19").</p>
Key Information	<p>Current case status in Vermont, last updated by the Health Department at 1200 on 7/10/20:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positive test results: 1,277 Total tests conducted: 74,098 Deaths: 56 Total people recovered: 1,066 Hospitalized patients with COVID-19: 2 Hospitalized patients under investigation for COVID-19: 9 <p>Key Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$30 million in housing assistance to those affected by COVID-19 was announced today. The programs use federal CARES Act funding to provide relief for those tenants unable to pay rent, landlords suffering from a loss of rent payments and those lower income homeowners needing assistance in paying the mortgage. On Monday, the Agency of Commerce and Community Development released mandatory guidance for in-person operations at colleges and universities. The guidance seeks to accomplish 3 objectives: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Decrease the risk of individuals infected with COVID-19 from entering the campus through effective public health prevention. Decrease transmission of COVID-19 among staff and students once on campus through effective public health measures. Quickly identify individuals with COVID-19 and put containment procedures in place to minimize the impact on students, staff, and education. <p>Local State of Emergency: Burlington, Colchester, Johnson, Rutland, Vernon. Local EOCs Activated: Burlington, Chittenden, Charlestown, Hartford, Johnson, Landgrove, Londonderry, Peacham, Pittsfield, Rutland City, Sharon, South Burlington, St. Johnsbury, Strafford, Theford, Tunbridge, Vernon, Waitsfield, Weston.</p>

Lifelines: Impacts and Actions

Health and Medical	Current Situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There have been 45 new cases of COVID-19 reported in Vermont in the past week, up from 36 cases the previous week. The percentage of tests conducted that are positive is under 1%. In June and July, the average age of those infected with COVID-19 has been under 40 years old, compared with an average age of 40-50 in May, and 50-54 in March and April. There have been no new cases associated with the outbreaks in Winooski/Burlington and Fair Haven in the past week. There are pop-up testing sites for asymptomatic members of the public every weekday throughout the state. The sites are currently planned through 7/31. Available appointments are filling quickly. One Alternate Care Site is currently operating in Chittenden County with no patients. One other site is on standby in Rutland County.
	Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Medical Logistics Branch of the SEOC is set to support the Office of the Vermont Secretary of State with PPE for election operations. Department of Health Commissioner Levine said the State will continue its aggressive testing strategy, with expanded testing at institutions. Buildings and General Services is finalizing the procurement of supplemental warehouse space for the public health lab and the State's PPE warehouse.
Other Lifelines	Current Situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were close to 8,000 persons without power this week due to weather related events. Most, if not all, outages have been restored.
	Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tropical Storm Fay is expected to lift northward and track towards Interior New England and New York by Saturday morning. The main impacts will be the potential for a swath of locally heavy rainfall to cross the region overnight until mid/late morning Saturday. The higher rainfall rates in a short period of time (towards Saturday morning) could produce localized flooding and bring smaller creeks and streams to bankfull. Otherwise, most will not witness any flooding.