



May 22, 2020

**COVID-19 Status Report
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees**

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

Fr: Cara Pavlicek, Village Manager

The memo is a means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

New Public Health Guidance

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases: 2 Oak Park residents that range in age from their 20s to 30s.

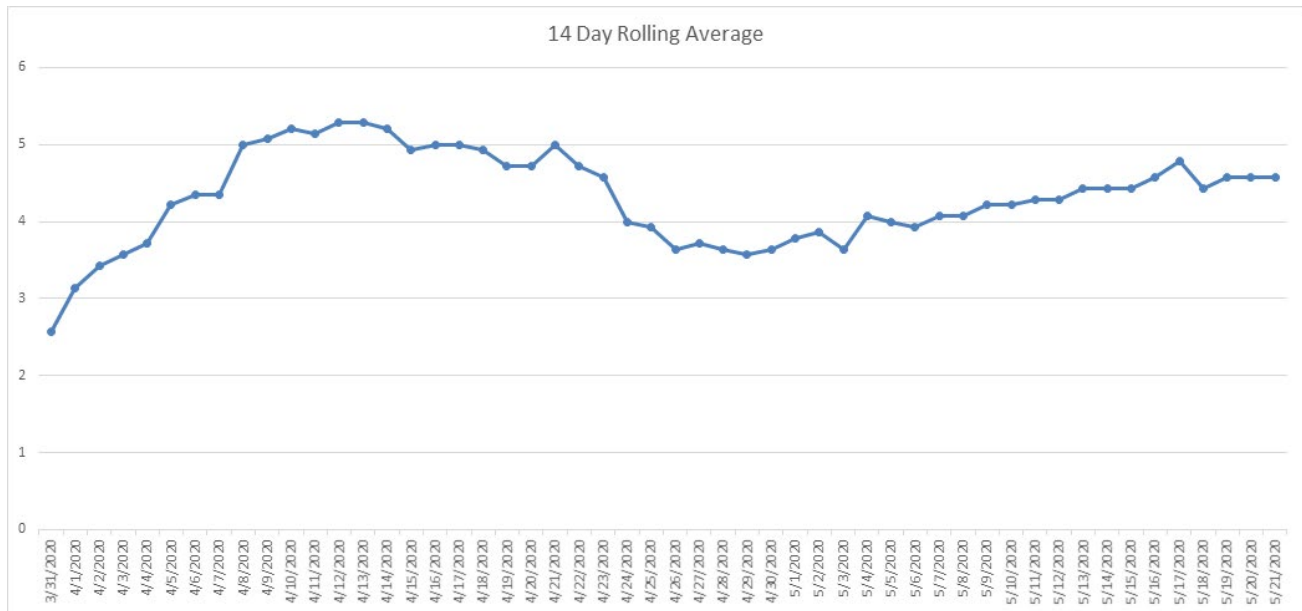
Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of two-hundred and sixty-seven (267) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

Oak Park Public Health Director Mike Charley reported today the twentieth death of an Oak Park resident believed to be related to the COVID-19 coronavirus. The fatality was a male in his 70s. The resident had earlier tested positive for the virus, but the final cause of death will be determined by the Cook County Medical Examiner. Director Charley expressed his sincere condolences to the resident's friends and family for the loss of their loved one.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Also, today Public Health Director Mike Charley shared the following chart showing the 14-day rolling average of resident COVID-19 cases thru May 21, 2020.



Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

Oak Park Public Health Director Charley reported there were no changes related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities in Oak Park today.

Facility Name	# of Resident Cases	# of Resident Deaths	# of Staff Cases
Belmont Village of Oak Park	2	1	3
Berkeley Nursing & Rehab Center	3	2	1
Brookdale Oak Park	7	1	7
Oak Park Arms	6	1	3
Oasis of Oak Park	20	10	5

Restore Illinois and Pending Move to Phase 3

Public Health Director Charley has emailed all Oak Park business license holders this afternoon about Governor JB Pritzker’s announcement that all regions of the state will move to Phase 3 of the Restore Illinois Plan as early as May 29. Moving to Phase 3 will allow more activity at most Oak Park businesses. The goal of the Village’s Public Health Department is to increase activity and business opening in conjunction with the state and to get back to normalcy as much as possible without jeopardizing the health and safety of residents, visitors and employees.

In order to know what specifically the state will require of each business prior to its opening in Phase 3, the Village is awaiting specific state guidance that has not yet been issued.

Here is what the Oak Park Public Health Department reports that they know today regarding the State’s Restore Illinois plan.

- **Bars and Restaurants** may open for delivery, pickup, drive-through and outdoor seating. Prior to opening outdoor seating located on public property (such as street or sidewalk), a permit will be required. The permit process will be to establish the locations where tables, which must be at least six (6) feet apart and away from sidewalks, can be located. Staff must wear face coverings and practice social distancing.
- **Tennis** facilities, both indoor and outdoor, will be allowed to reopening with state safety precautions and capacity limits.
- **Health clubs**, gyms and fitness facilities will be allowed to provide one-on-one personal training in indoor facilities and outdoor fitness classes of up to 10 people.
- **Retail stores** will be allowed to reopen to shoppers, but must follow state safety precautions and capacity limits. Face coverings will be required for both staff and shoppers.
- **Personal care services** like nail salons, tattoo shops, hair braiders, spas and barbershops will be allowed to open but must follow state safety precautions and capacity limits.
- **Non-essential manufacturing** that can operate within social distancing guidelines may reopen with state-approved safety guidance.
- **Employees of non-essential businesses** may return to work with state-approved safety guidance depending upon risk level. However, tele-work strongly encouraged wherever possible. Employers are encouraged to provide accommodations for COVID-19-vulnerable employees

Within the coming days, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (IDCE) is expected to release reopening guidelines that should help answer specific questions regarding the transition to Phase 3 of Restore Illinois. The guidelines are expected to address the following:

- **General health requirements**, including plans employers must have for social distancing, working from home, handwashing and other related issues.
- **Human resources and travel policies** related to health and safety and training employees must complete prior to returning to work, including limits on travel.
- **Health monitoring**, including conducting temperature screenings and following state guidance regarding sick employees.
- **Physical workplace** requirements including social distancing signage, proper space configuration for employees, removing shared items, providing hand sanitizer and environmental cleaning.
- **Customer behaviors** that may be required for some businesses, including reservations, face coverings required, symptomatic customers and maintaining social distancing.

The Oak Park Public Health Department is working closely with the Village's Department of Development Customer Services who will also communicate direction with business license holders in Oak Park about specific information provided by the state. Additionally, the will post via links on the Village website at www.oak-park.us/covid19.

Construction at the intersection of Lake and Oak Park Avenue

Public Works reports that water and sewer work is complete in the Lake and Oak Park Avenue intersection. Also, utility work by Nicor & AT&T is nearly completed at this intersection. In order to expedite the streetscape project and minimize future disruptions, the electrical contractor for the streetscape project will be installing conduits and various underground electrical items in the intersection starting next week for the future traffic signal, street lighting, and communications work here. After the electrical items are completed the streetscape contractor will pour a new concrete base and new asphalt surface for the entire intersection to allow for the subsequent reopening to vehicular traffic. The intersection is expected to be reopened to traffic by mid-June.