

COVID-19 RESOURCES

- **RIDOH information line for COVID-19** please call 401-222-8022 or email RIDOH.COVID19Questions@health.ri.gov and visit the R.I. Dept. of Health website.
- The United Way is available 24-7 to answer questions and connect residents with resources through their 211 hotline.
- **Flu Vaccines:** Rhode Islanders are encouraged to get their flu vaccine this year. Find a flu vaccination clinic in your community at https://health.ri.gov/flu/
- **K-12 Testing -** Rhode Island's K-12 testing services are available to any student, teacher, or staff member at any public or private K-12 school throughout the state who needs to be tested for COVID-19. Any K-12 students or staff who have symptoms of COVID-19 or have been identified as a close contact of a positive case should call the K-12 test scheduling service at 844-857-1814. Visit the K-12 COVID-19 Test Scheduling Web page.
- Multilanguage Information on COVID-19 testing options here (Arabic, Cape Verdean Creole, Chinese (Simplified), French, Haitian Creole, Hmong, Khmer (Cambodian), Kinyarwanda, Laotian, Portuguese, Spanish, and Swahili)
- Resources for the deaf and hard-of-hearing available here and here.

Community Resources

- **PAUSE Rhode Island** is a program that provides free community outreach and support services for Rhode Islanders dealing with stress and anxiety due to COVID-19.
 - o 24/7 hotline for anyone 18 or over: 401-414-5465
 - o 24/7 hotline for anyone under 18: 855-543-5465
- Rhode Island continues to face a drug overdose epidemic:
 - BH Link Hotline and Walk-In Center | 975 Waterman Ave., East
 Providence: Access behavioral health services, long-term care, and recovery support at this 24/7 walk-in and drop-off facility, or call the BH Link hotline, 401-414-LINK (5465), to learn more about local treatment and recovery support services.
 - o COVID-19 Harm Reduction Resources (Prevent Overdose RI)
 - Safe Stations is a drop-in service where people can visit Newport, Providence, or Woonsocket fire station 24 hours a day, seven days a week to access treatment and recovery support services.
- Parents seeking information about their children's urgent behavioral health issues can call Kids' Link, a service administered by Bradley Hospital/Lifespan at 1-855-543-5465.
 - o Bradley Hospital has a variety of <u>COVID-19 Resources for Parents and</u> Caregivers available.
 - The American Psychological Association has a variety of <u>resources for quarantined</u> parents.
- Support Services for Workers Who Need to Stay Home
 - o Rhode Islanders should continue to stay home if you are sick. If you need to stay home because of COVID-19, there are resources for you.
 - Relief for Workers Flyer

- **RI Delivers**: Through the Office of Healthy Aging, RI Delivers connects those in quarantine or isolation with access to food and medication delivery services. To contact call 2-1-1 or the Point at 401-462-4444. Visit www.RIDelivers.com
- **RI Thrives** is available for deliveries of groceries, medication, and health, beauty & medical supplies. For more information go to: www.rithrives.com.
- The WeR1 Fund is providing \$400 gift cards for Rhode Islanders who are not eligible for most federal relief programs due to their immigration status. The funds allows for purchase of groceries, gas, and other basic necessities. Those in need of assistance should visit Dorcas International to apply. Applications can also be found in Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole.
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) participants are now able to select and pay for their groceries online using their EBT card at Amazon and participating Walmart stores. For more details, visit dhs.ri.gov.
- **American Red Cross**: Established the Virtual Family Assistance Center to support those that lost loved ones. Visit their <u>website</u> or call (833) 492-0094.
- Safe Harbor Housing Program: Tenants who are behind in their rent because of COVID-19 and in danger of eviction, or who have already received an eviction notice, can call 211 to be connected to the program.
- **Renters and Homeowners**: For constituents seeking housing-related information and resources, visit: https://www.rihousing.com/covid-19/
- Housing Help RI: Emergency housing assistance to very low-income renters who have been severely affected by the COVID-19 emergency and are at immediate risk of homelessness: https://www.housinghelpri.com/
- Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic Violence and member agencies are open, as are domestic violence shelters. Those seeking help can call 1-800-494-8100.

• Business Support

- **Business Assistance**: For business economic support, constituents should visit www.commerceri.com, call Commerce RI at 401-521-4357 (HELP), or email them at info@commerceri.com.
- Enhanced Capital Rhode Island Small Business Loan Program: Micro loans of \$10,000 \$50,000 per company and larger term loans of up to \$1 million per company. Applications now available here. Distribution expected in January.