



COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Situation Report

April 15, 2020

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Situation to Date

Declarations in Response to COVID-19

World Health Organization	Pandemic
United States of America	National Emergency
State of Ohio	State Emergency
Lucas County	Emergency

Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

United States of America	609,685
State of Ohio	7,280
Lucas County Residents	555

Deaths Attributed to COVID-19

United State of America	26,059
State of Ohio	324
Lucas County Residents	25

Tests Performed in Lucas County

Total Tests	1966
Tests Pending	118

First Responders Staffing

Quarantined Officers – 26

- First Responder which have had potential exposure to COVID-19, are not showing symptoms and have not been tested

Fire Service - 25

Toledo	22
Whitehouse	3

Law Enforcement – 1

Toledo 1

Isolated Officers – 17

- First Responders which have had potential exposure to COVID-19 and showing symptoms

Fire Service - 9

Toledo 5
Toledo Commo 1
Springfield 1
Whitehouse 1

Law Enforcement - 8

Lucas County Sheriff 7
Oregon Commo 1

State of Ohio Orders, Restrictions, and Advisories

- Dr. Acton executed a Health Order directing all Ohioans to Stay at Home effective from 11:59 p.m. on Monday, March 23rd through May 1st, (copy of order can be found at coronavirus.ohio.gov)
- Governor DeWine recommends all Ohio residents suspend vacation travel
- The Primary Election in the State of Ohio has been postponed until April 28, 2020
- All K-12 schools are ordered closed effective, Monday, March 16, 2020 through May 1, 2020

Actions Taken to Date

- Governor DeWine has signed an Executive Order providing immediate unemployment benefits to all workers that do not have access to paid leave from an employer
- State of Ohio approved for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program through the U.S. Small Business Administration
- Established a single website to provide local information on community guidance to include testing protocols, resources, and closures and modifications to service delivery (<https://lucascountyhealth.com/coronavirusupdates/>)
- Established Lucas County Community COVID-19 Call Line, a 24/7 centralized phone number for the public to receive answers to clinical questions related to COVID-19
 - (419) 251-4000
 - (419) 291-5355
- A Donations Management System and Center has been established to accept and distribute donations
 - Established a landing page to direct donors to the appropriate place to provide their donation – Volunteer, Food, Financial Assistance, Goods (dontateTLC.org)

- Linked this through our Health Department Coronavirus page as well
- All donations of goods should be emailed to Donations@co.lucas.oh.us
- Toledo Community Foundation is accepting financial donations to support the response to COVID-19
- United Way is coordinating food donations and volunteers
- All organizations in need of supplies, including PPE and other hard goods should submit a completed [213RR](#) form to eoc@co.lucas.oh.us. More information can be found at <https://donatetlc.org/requests>. Requests should only be submitted if supplies cannot be obtained through standard procurement channels.

*Situational Awareness**

**New items are in red.*

- Reports from Lucas County hospitals show that hospital admissions have plateaued over the course of the last 5-7 days. Hospitals will continue to monitor this trend over the next 7 to 14 days to see if an increase in hospitalizations occurs. If the trend of admissions remains consistent, it could be an indication that we may have already realized our peak in Lucas County and that hospitalizations will continue to remain flat until they begin to decline. The HMAC and the EOC will continue to monitor these numbers both locally in Lucas County, in our region, and the other regions of northern Ohio (Zone 1 - Regions 2 and 5).
- The Governor's Office has identified a roadmap to recovery that includes a slow easing of restrictions when the following four high level conditions are met: 1. Sustained reductions in cases of COVID; 2. Adequate PPE and staffing for first responders and health care workers; 3. Appropriate testing resources; 4. Appropriate resources and personnel for contact testing.
- Governor DeWine stated at his Press Conference yesterday that "Until there is a vaccine - this monster is going to be working around us. When we start opening businesses and schools back up, it's going to be different. What everyone needs to be thinking about is what you will do to keep your employees and customers safe when you reopen."
- In alignment with the CDC and the Ohio Department of Health, the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department moved effective on Thursday, April 9th to a new reporting model. In this model, the Health Department will be reporting confirmed cases, probable cases and deaths attributed to COVID-19. Additionally, beginning today, the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department will begin reporting demographic data of COVID-19 cases.
- ESF-15 Public Information has engaged additional community partners to expand public messaging for socially vulnerable populations.
- The Toledo Lucas County Health Department in coordination with Lucas County and the cities of Oregon and Toledo are discussing conducting a COVID waste water study to gauge rates of infection and community spread.
- The Toledo Lucas County Health Department will be expanding its tracing capacity through utilization of the Medical Reserve Corps and University of Toledo public health students.

- The Toledo-Lucas County Health Department in partnership with the hospitals will be rolling out a strategy to provide comprehensive testing and contact tracing of long term care facility residents.
- On Saturday, April 12th, the Governor's Office reached out to the Northwest Ohio HMAC asking if the region would consider postponing build-out of the ACF but continue planning. The HMAC voted unanimously to support the State's request with the following conditions: 1. Licensing Agreement with the SeaGate Center operator (ASM Global) is still executed but an Implementation Clause added; 2. Contract with the build-out contractor (Rudolph Libbe) is still executed and design completed now; and 3. Governor message the change. This would allow our region to be prepared to operationalize the ACF in 14 days.
- The Toledo-Lucas County Health Department will be submitting an application to the City of Toledo for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) COVID-19 supplemental funding to support a Community Antibody Sero Survey. The survey is proposed to sample 15,000 residents including first responders and an oversampling of socially vulnerable populations. The National Institute of Health and Ohio Department of Health are conducting similar surveys.
- A non-congregate sheltering resource for first responders, health care workers, and the unhoused in isolation or quarantine is operational. There are currently **three** individuals in the non-congregate shelter. In order to protect the privacy of these individuals, the location of the shelter will not be publicly disseminated.
- A sheltering resource for first responders not in isolation or quarantine but needing housing has been established effective at 8 a.m. on Monday, April 6th. Currently, there are two first responders in this semi-congregate shelter.
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Resource Needs and Information Requests

The following significant resource needs and information requests have been fulfilled:

- Identified on-site coordinators for non-congregate sheltering
- Identified the total number of first responders in Lucas County to support their participation in a community COVID-19 sero survey.
- Confirmed that TLCHD is reporting case numbers in the new State format
- Determined the number of staff necessary to conduct appropriate contact tracing

The following significant resource needs and information requests are outstanding:

- Numerous PPE requests
- Temporal thermometers
- Identify resources available for Rapid Testing for First Responders
- **Identify supply chain viability for testing resources (anti-body and PCR)**
- **Confirm FEMA reimbursement eligibility for testing resources with OEMA.**

Incident Objectives

Daily Objectives

- Establish Incident Action Plan by 1000 hours
- Distribute Situation Report to organizations
- Provide daily media availability at 1530 hours
- Encourage and support all organizations to plan and operate their own incident command branches and feed into the EOC via appropriate Liaison or ESF desk
- Receive, respond and fulfil resource need requests provided to the EOC
- Facilitate communication amongst all organizations
- Align and consolidate as best possible all public information through the Public Information Liaison
- Ensure accessibility of COVID-19 guidance to all Lucas County residents

The following objectives have been recently completed:

- Distributed information regarding application for FEMA Public Assistance for governments, hospitals, and non-profit organizations
- Established protocol for government offices, businesses, etc. for how to handle a positive COVID-19 case among their workforce, including contact and cleaning guidance.
- Assembled a COVID-19 testing and community survey grant committee

Our top objectives for the next planning period are projected as:

- Establish agreement between the State of Ohio and Lucas County for alternative care facility utilization
- Execute agreement for wraparound services associated with ACF
- **Establish a plan to assist businesses in developing strategies to safely return to work**
- **Begin planning in support of the Governor's Roadmap to Recovery**

The following other objectives have been identified:

- Address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities of social vulnerability
- Support resource needs of the Board of Elections related to primary election
- Discuss the status of mental health resources in Lucas County
- Support the needs of persons with access and functional needs
- Develop implementation plan for Rapid Testing of First Responders and Healthcare Workers

Next Update

- The next Situation Report will be released on April 16, 2020

EOC Information

- Virtualized members of the EOC are operational daily from 0800 to 1800 hours
- Fire and Emergency Medical Service organizations asked to provide resource needs, information requests and regional objectives to Emergency Support Function (ESF) 4 desk in the EOC, which will be staffed by Battalion Chief Matthew Brixey
 - LCFireCOVID19@gmail.com
- Law Enforcement organizations asked to provide resource needs, information requests and regional objectives to ESF-13 desk in the EOC, which will be staffed by Lt. Phil Cook
 - LCLECOVID19@gmail.com
- All public information and messaging asked to be coordinated with the Public Information Liaison (Gretchen DeBacker)
 - gretchen.debacker@toledo.oh.gov
- All other organizational concerns to include resource needs, information requests and regional objectives asked to be funnel to the appropriate Liaison in the EOC, as identified below:
 - Michael Hart will serve as the liaison for municipalities, townships, independent governmental boards, and other local governmental organizations to include courts and the offices of independently elected officials within Lucas County
 - mhart@co.lucas.oh.us
 - Ben Pushka will serve as the liaison for the business community via the Chamber of Commerce; all local school districts as well as private and charter schools; community colleges and universities; non-profit organizations; and religious organizations that are located within or serve Lucas County
 - bpushka@co.lucas.oh.us
 - Doug Born will serve as the point of contact for businesses interested in production, logistics or transportation of goods in support of the response to COVID-19
 - dborn@co.lucas.oh.us
 - Caryn Maloney will serve as the liaison for all health care organization to include public, private and non-profit hospitals, medical facilities, behavioral health, nursing homes, long-term care facilities providers and organizations that serve these organizations and populations that are located within or serve Lucas County
 - cmaloney@co.lucas.oh.us