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CTResponds! is the State of Connecticut's web-based volunteer management system. It is Connecticut's online volunteer system for the Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (ESAR-VHP) and other interested volunteers. This system helps to maintain a registry of volunteers' skills and credentials available within the state, and helps communities match available resources to an emergency event. If you are interested in volunteering, please register in this system on [CTresponds.ct.gov](http://CTresponds.ct.gov).

Visit [ct.gov/coronavirus](http://ct.gov/coronavirus) for a daily data update with a map of confirmed cases.
COVID-19 PREVENTION

The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to the virus. CDC recommends everyday preventive actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases, including:

- Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

NEW CDC FACEMASK GUIDANCE

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is now advising to cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others.

- Everyone should wear a cloth face cover when they have to go out in public, for example to the grocery store or to pick up other necessities.
- Cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.
- The cloth face cover is meant to protect other people in case you are infected.
- Do NOT use a facemask meant for a healthcare worker.
- Continue to keep about 6 feet between yourself and others. The cloth face cover is not a substitute for social distancing.

More more information, including tutorials on how to create your own facemasks using sewn cloth, t-shirts, and bandanas, please see these CDC Instructions.

WATCH WHAT YOU FLUSH!

EPA urges Americans to only flush toilet paper. Disinfecting wipes and other items should be properly disposed of in the trash, not the toilet. These wipes and other items do not break down in septic systems and can damage your home’s internal plumbing. As a result, flushing these wipes can clog your toilet and/or create sewage backups into your home. Disinfecting wipes, baby wipes, and paper towels should NEVER be flushed.

HELPFUL LINKS

New Fairfield Health Department: http://www.newfairfield.org/municipal-departments/services/health
State Department of Public Health: ct.gov/coronavirus

PERMITS

While Town Hall is closed to the public, the land use departments are working remotely and reviewing applications as they come in. Please visit ViewPoint for more information.

FOOD SCORES

The latest food inspection scores are available on our website. Please visit: New Fairfield Health Department for more information.

PROPERTY FILES

All property files are available online for your convenience. Please visit: New Fairfield Property Files