



**COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

**Situation Report  
March 24, 2020  
2000 hours**

*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	52,966
State of Ohio	564
Lucas County	13

Deaths Attributed to COVID-19

United State of America	685
State of Ohio	8
Lucas County	2

Testing in Lucas County

<b>Hospital System</b>	<b>Positive Tests</b>	<b>Negative Tests</b>	<b>Pending Tests</b>	<b>Total Tests</b>
Mercy	0	22	104	126
Promedica	Not Reporting	Not Reporting	Not Reporting	Not Reporting
St. Luke's	5	15	29	49
UTMC	Not Reporting	Not Reporting	Not Reporting	Not Reporting
<b>Total</b>	--	--	--	--

First Responders Staffing

Quarantined Officers – 27

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

<i>Fire Service - 26</i>	
Toledo	19
Maumee	1
Springfield Township	3
Monclova Township	2
Air Guard	1
<i>Law Enforcement - 1</i>	
Whitehouse	1

#### Isolated Officers

- First Responders which have had potential exposure to COVID-19, are showing symptoms and awaiting testing or test results

<i>Fire Service - 4</i>	
Toledo	4
<i>Law Enforcement - 1</i>	
Toledo	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 23<sup>rd</sup> through April 6<sup>th</sup>, (copy of order can be found at [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov))
- Effective on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> only child care facilities receiving a new pandemic operating license may continue to operate (details at [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov))
- Governor DeWine recommends all Ohio residents suspend vacation travel
- All but 5 Bureau of Motor Vehicle offices closed in the State
  - Bowling Green BMV open for Commercial Licensing
- The Primary Election in the State of Ohio has been postponed until June 2, 2020
- All colleges and universities are ordered closed through March 30, 2020
- All K-12 schools are ordered closed effective, Monday, March 16, 2020 through April 3, 2020
  - The school closure order does not currently apply to Ohio's childcare system, such as daycare centers and home-based childcare providers
- Visitation to state psychiatric hospitals by outside visitors are prohibited.
- Visitors to nursing homes are limited to one visitor per day per resident.

#### ***Actions Taken to Date***

- State of Ohio Emergency Operations Center (EOC) activated (March 9, 2020 at 1300 hours)
- Ohio National Guard has been mobilized to support medical operations throughout the State

- 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
- Governor DeWine signed an Executive Order to expand and enhance telehealth options for Ohio Medicaid recipients and their providers
- State of Ohio approved for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program through the U.S. Small Business Administration
- Lucas County EOC activated (March 12, 2020 at 0930 hour)
- Fire and Emergency Medical Service organizations asked to provide resource needs, information requests and regional objectives to Emergency Support Function (ESF) 5 desk in the EOC, which will be staffed by Deputy Chief John Kaminski
  - (419) 392-4175
  - [LCFireCOVID19@gmail.com](mailto: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
  - (419) 392-4330
  - [LCLECOVID19@gmail.com](mailto:LCLECOVID19@gmail.com)
- All public information and messaging asked to be coordinated with the Public Information Liaison (Gretchen DeBacker)
  - (419) 297-7210
  - [gretchen.debacker@toledo.oh.gov](mailto: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
    - (216) 673-4403
    - [mhart@co.lucas.oh.us](mailto: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
    - (734) 497-1011
    - [bpushka@co.lucas.oh.us](mailto:bpushka@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
    - (715) 222-6937
    - [cmaloney@co.lucas.oh.us](mailto:cmaloney@co.lucas.oh.us)
- The EOC will be operational daily from 0800 to 1700 hours
  - Established a 24-hour planning period commencing at 1000 hours each day

- Only personnel with incident specific badges will be approved for entry into the EOC
  - Prior to entry all personnel will be screened for fever and required to sanitize hands
- 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
- Prioritized testing of first responders and essential medical personnel in alignment with the recommendation of the Ohio Department of Health
- Outpatient evaluation testing (drive-thru) for the general public has been suspended
- Toledo-Lucas County Health Department recommends the following:
  - Religious organizations begin to transition away from in-person ceremonies
- Toledo Community Foundation established a fund for financial donations to support local non-profits in their response to COVID-19 (<https://bit.ly/2wmkZHx>)
- University of Toledo Medical College established local testing laboratory for COVID-19
- A Donations Management System and Center has been established to accept and distribute donations
  - All donations offers should be emailed to [Donations@co.lucas.oh.us](mailto:Donations@co.lucas.oh.us)
  - Medical and Public Safety organizations should email [EOC@co.lucas.oh.us](mailto:EOC@co.lucas.oh.us) with PPE and other resource needs
  - All other non-profit organizations should submit identified needs through the following link: <https://bit.ly/COVID-19NeedsSurvey>

### ***Resource Needs and Information Requests***

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

- Forms for governmental organizations, businesses, non-profit and hospitals to track losses associated with COVID-19 provided to all organizations
- Provided guidance on access to unemployment benefits
- Provided CDC guidance to public safety regarding optimizing PPE supplies
- Created and shared video providing guidance for public safety regarding approaching suspected infected individuals and proper use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Provided guidance on recommended PPE for home health and safety checks
- Provided guidance on recommended PPE for custodial staff

The following significant resource needs and information requests are outstanding:

- Numerous PPE requests
- Temporal thermometers
- Testing numbers from Promedica and UTMC

- Guidance on local confirmation and enforcement of daycare pandemic licensing
- Guidance from local health department on release of first responders from quarantine

### *Incident Objectives*

#### Daily Objectives

- Establish Incident Action Plan by 1000 hours
- Distribute Situation Report to organizations
- Provide daily media briefings at 1600 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:

- Aligned with Ohio Department of Health guidance on testing with a prioritization of first responder and medical personnel
- Implemented daily virtual jail population review and management process amongst the courts
- Established a process to assist businesses in documenting the impact of COVID-19
- Established First Responder COVID-19 Exposure Protocol streamlining quarantine and testing for first responders
- Identified ESF 6 – Mass Care Section Chief
- Established a PPE and general donations management process
- Established a distribution plan for PPE provided through the Strategic National Stockpile or otherwise
- Created a coordinated organizational resource needs request form to be utilized by EOC, Donations Center, and United Way

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

- Establish a quarantine location for first responders exposed to COVID-19
- Support community and business needs related to Stay at Home Order
- Establish a process for quarantine of unhoused persons to include location and transport
- Draft Order for Board of Health to consider regarding non-congregate sheltering
- Identify lead agency to facilitate economic development related to COVID-19 testing and supplies
- Acquire COVID-19 testing numbers from all area hospitals
- Garner information from the State of Ohio on local enforcement of daycare pandemic licensing

- Continue to virtualize the EOC through software platform
- Establish process for first responders to return to work after quarantine

The following other objectives have been identified:

- Distribute PPE provided through the Strategic National Stockpile and otherwise
- Discuss challenges posed by food insecurity related to COVID-19
- Support the needs of persons with access and functional needs
- Establish process for training and integrating EOC staff alternates
- Distribute information regarding application for FEMA Public Assistance for governments, hospitals, and non-profit organizations

*Next Update*

- The next Situation Report will be released on March 25, 2020

