

# TOWN OF CORNWALL

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## Coronavirus / Covid-19 Update - March 16, 2020

Hello, I'm writing you again with some updates. I would like to thank the many people who have taken action to lessen the impact of this great challenge. People offering to get supplies for their neighbors and assisting with child care as schools are closed have been helpful. Working remotely is also a good strategy. As of tomorrow, the Town Hall & Offices will be closed to visitors (as is Sharon Hospital). We will still be here and working on continuing services, and residents are encouraged to call or email us with their concerns.

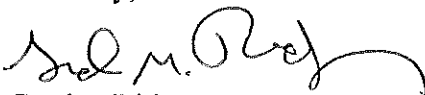
I also want to thank and support the local business that have closed in an attempt to slow down the virus. Particular credit goes to Mohawk Mt. which closed right before a big scheduled event.

A good response to our request for volunteers is much appreciated. We are hoping to get a delivery service for food, medicines and other necessities working soon. Please let us know if you need necessities. The food pantry is closed for the foreseeable future but food orders will be delivered. Contributions to the Town's Food and Fuel Fund will help us with this program. (Box 97 Cornwall CT, 06753)

If you feel you have symptoms of Covid-19, please consult your doctor first (even if your doctor is in another state). You will need to be screened and get a prescription for the Covid-19 test even in the places they are establishing drive in testing. Most people are still testing negative and available resources should go toward the truly sick. Hartford Health is maintaining a 24 hour call-in Virus Hotline, and 211 is also available to answer questions.

Needless to say, life here in Cornwall is being disrupted more than it has in a long time. Please stay informed. Proceed on facts, not fear. And stay in touch.

Sincerely,



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CC: Selectman Priscilla Pavel and Selectwoman Marina Kotchoubey