



# COVID-19 HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE

## Weekly COVID-19 Situation Report

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### COVID-19 Testing Results

Reporting Period [3.23.2020 - 5.08.2020]

Below is data on the COVID-19 test results for homeless persons in the city of Detroit.

**562** Tests Conducted

**89** Total Positives

Of the tests administered:

**38%** have been completed by **hospitals**

**11%** have been completed by **Wayne State University**

**89%** have been completed by the **Detroit Health Department**

As of May 8, 2020 - there are a total of **21 guests** at the Alternative Shelter Sites [also referred to as Isolation Shelter Sites].

**60%** of referrals to these Alternative Shelter Sites have come from **hospitals**

**40%** from our **traditional shelters and outreach providers**

### New Homelessness Response Actions Taken

#### Updated Client Screening Tool

The Detroit Health Department has updated the [client screening tool](#) to incorporate newly recognized symptoms of COVID-19. This tool is used by shelter and congregate living program staff to monitor clients on a daily basis for symptoms.

### CAM Data

## Reporting Period [3.23 - 5.07]

The Coordinated Assessment Model (CAM) is Detroit's coordinated entry system to homeless services. During the COVID-19 pandemic, CAM is operating a phone-based model. Any individual or family without a safe place to stay for the night can contact CAM at 313-484-4449, seven days a week from 7am-8:30pm for assistance.

Additionally, CAM is coordinating transportation to alternative shelters from emergency shelters and hospitals for people who are homeless and also are 1) experiencing COVID-19 symptoms; 2) awaiting COVID-19 test results; or 3) have tested positive for COVID-19.

[Visit CAM's website here.](#)

## 560 total Shelter Referrals

427 single adults

61 youth

72 families

## 63 total Housing Program Referrals

Transitional Housing: 7 families, 2 single adults

Rapid Re-Housing: 8 families, 32 single adults

Permanent Supportive Housing: 13 single adults, 1 family

## Important Updates

### The Stay Home Executive Order was EXTENDED Again

- As of yesterday, May 7, Governor Withmer's "Stay Home, Stay Safe, Save Lives" Executive Order was has been **extended again to May 28th**. [Click this link](#) to the press release for additional information.
- Yesterday the Governor also released information on her strategy to re-open the state and restart the economy. [You can access the plan by clicking here.](#)

## Homeless Service Provider Webinar

The City of Detroit, CAM, CSH and HAND are jointly hosting weekly webinars **every Friday at 9am** for homeless service providers. The goal of these webinars remains to bring stakeholders together to provide up-to-date information regarding COVID-19, respond to questions, and allow for targeted learning opportunities.

You can access shared resources for providers as well as past webinar recording and materials [by clicking here.](#)

You can register for the ongoing webinars [by clicking here.](#)

If you would like to be added to the webinar invitations please email [kaitie@handetroit.org](mailto:kaitie@handetroit.org)

## Helpful Resources

## Resource to Cash Stimulus Checks Free of Charge



Detroiters who receive federal government stimulus checks can cash them for free at Chase Bank. The bank will waive the normal check cashing fee for non-customers, which will only apply to government stimulus checks. Individuals will need two forms of identification. To find a list of approved forms of identification, [click here](#).

### **Archive of Past Stimulus Check Resources Shared:**

- Non-Tax Filers Form to Receive Stimulus Check & Register Dependents [\[LINK\]](#)
- Stimulus Payment Status Tracking [\[LINK\]](#)
- Poverty Solutions Economic Impact Payment Resource [\[LINK\]](#)
- Bank account access assistance [\[LINK\]](#)

## Recruit Volunteers with VolunteerMichigan Portal

- The Michigan Community Service Commission provides an opportunity for agencies to share their needs and recruit volunteers through a statewide platform. Learn more at <https://volunteermichigan.galaxydigital.com/>

## Resource Compilations

- Detroit-Based Food Resources
  - [LINK](#)
- City of Detroit COVID 313 Page
  - [LINK](#)
- Wayne State Resource Compilation
  - [LINK](#)
- CoC Resource Compilation
  - [LINK](#)
- CSH Supportive Housing Resource Platform
  - [LINK](#)

Detroit CoC COVID-19 Webpage

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