

CodeRED Message from Mayor Jay Donecker Regarding COVID-19

Hello Reidsville citizens, this is Mayor Jay Donecker calling you in reference to the COVID-19 pandemic. Even though North Carolina continues to see an increasing trend for positive tests and deaths our social distance behavior is avoiding a surge of hospital cases.

Furthermore, I would like to share the following:

- Our County had at least 18 COVID-19 cases (with 2 deaths). At least one of these was not showing any symptoms when the test resulted positively. Community spread can occur unintentionally and more frequently by those of us that carry COVID-19, but show no symptoms unless we all practice social distancing.
- Our Cone Health Territory had at least 415 COVID-19 cases (with 21 deaths).
- The COVID-19 pandemic also makes all of our citizens completing the 2020 Census even more important as federal incentives and relief dollars for our individual City citizens, Reidsville businesses, and our local government will be impacted by our census results as we move forward.

Finally, I remind you to:

- Continue to follow the social distance behaviors detailed by Gov. Coopers order. It is working.
- In the coming weeks there will be a lessening of social behavior by many in our area. I would suggest you make or obtain masks covering the nose and mouth and use them for situations in which you see that others are not following proper social distancing.
- We are a “can do” city and having a mask handy is one way that we can help reduce the chances of infecting a more vulnerable loved one, friend or neighbor.
- Please continue to follow Cone Health’s recommendation in contacting your primary physician or Annie Penn Hospital at 336-951-4000 before visiting the Hospital Emergency Room if you believe you have COVID-19 symptoms.
- Please expect another call on Sunday, April 26th, as part of our planned weekly updates.
- Always remember, we are Team Reidsville and we will get through this together.