



THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

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BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK **COVID-19 UPDATE**

June 12, 2020

7:00 a.m.

Changes to Municipal Operations, Programming, and Implementation of Emergency Regulations

The following actions have been taken or have otherwise been implemented by the Borough Administration so as to not unreasonably expose residents and the municipal workforce to the risks associated with the COVID-19 pandemic:

1. PROGRAMMING (PUBLIC EVENTS AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS)

In light of restrictions related to social distancing, Executive Orders of Governor Murphy, and guidance established by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) the Borough has had to make difficult decisions about public events scheduled for the near future. This has included cancellations, indefinite postponements, and/or programming abbreviations. As/if restrictions are loosened in this area, the Borough will be looking to add programming when feasible. The following is a listing of recent decisions about upcoming events scheduled for Summer 2020:

- ➔ The 2020 Celebration of Colors originally scheduled for May 9, 2020 has been **POSTPONED** until further notice. The Borough is exploring the possibility of holding this event in September 2020 if feasible.
- ➔ The 2020 Summer Picnic originally scheduled for May 25, 2020 was postponed, but has now been **CANCELLED**. The Borough is exploring the possibility of holding an "End of Summer" event in late August / early September 2020.
- ➔ The traditional 2020 Independence Day Celebration (fireworks show) has been **CANCELLED**. The Borough's Independence Day fireworks show will resume in 2021 with planning already underway. In its place, a drive-by parade will take place on Thursday, July 2, 2020 beginning at 4:00 p.m. led by the lights and sirens of the Roselle Park Police and Fire Departments along a parade route to be announced. Residents will be encouraged to gather, following prevailing social distancing guidelines, to watch and enjoy the parade. Residents will also be encouraged to decorate their homes in patriotic, **red**, **white**, and **blue** colors. Then, at approximately 6:00 p.m. the Borough has arranged to have "Jersey Jeep Flow" drive throughout the Borough's streets playing patriotic music.

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- ➔ An outdoor summer movie series is **BEING PLANNED** for July 2020.
- ➔ The 2020 Jazz Festival originally scheduled for July 25, 2020 has been **CANCELLED**.
- ➔ 2020 National Night Out originally scheduled for August 4, 2020 has been **CANCELLED**.

2. MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS: For the safety of the public and municipal workforce, all municipal buildings remain **CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC** until further notice. This closure of buildings went into effect on Monday, March 16, 2020.

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES: Pursuant to Executive Order No. 133 issued by Governor Murphy, all municipal playgrounds remain **CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC** until further notice. This specifically includes: Edgar “Hot Dog” Acker Park and Aldene Park. These facilities have been locked or otherwise barricaded from public access. These facility restrictions went into effect Monday, March 16, 2020.

Passive parks and fields under the jurisdictional control of the Borough of Roselle Park remain **OPEN** to public access subject to prevailing public gathering and social distancing restrictions.

MUNICIPAL WORKFORCE: With certain exceptions, Borough of Roselle Park employees are working! Municipal employees are reporting to work under COVID-19 Staffing Recall Plans developed by the Borough Administration. These provisions went into practical effect on Monday, June 1, 2020. Such plans will be in effect until further notice and until municipal departments are fully re-staffed and at full operational capacity. Essential services have resumed, and non-essential or less-than-essential services are being resumed where possible.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETINGS: All meetings of Mayor and Council remain **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC VIA REMOTE ACCESS ONLY** until further notice. There will be **NO PUBLIC ACCESS TO BOROUGH HALL** for public meetings until further notice or unless otherwise noticed. Please visit <http://rosellepark.net/transparency/> to get the latest information about Mayor and Council meetings, and to subscribe to the Borough’s meeting agenda distribution list.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

The Roselle Park Police Department has coordinated enforcement efforts with the New Jersey State Police, New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, and New Jersey Office of the Attorney General in an effort to equitably implement temporary local regulations and the executive actions of Governor Murphy. The Borough of Roselle Park will comply with and locally enforce this and all emergency declarations and directives; health related or otherwise.

Roselle Park School District Operation Amendments

Updated information related to Roselle Park School District (RPSD) operations should be sought from the RPSD directly and/or on their website: www.rpsd.org.

Local Health Department Information

The Westfield Regional Health Department (WRHD) serves as the Health Department for the Borough of Roselle Park. To that end, WRHD serves as the primary point of contact for concerns or questions related to public health. Please visit www.westfieldnj.gov/coronavirus for COVID-19 specific guidance from WRHD.

Contact information for WRHD is as follows:

Health Officer: Megan Avallone

Health Officer Phone: 908-789-4000

Health Officer Email: mavallone@westfieldnj.gov

Agency Website: www.westfieldnj.gov/health

Public Emergency Contact after Hours Number: 908-789-4070

County, State, Federal and Global Partnership Resources

County of Union:

<https://ucnj.org/coronavirus/>

State of New Jersey Department of Health:

<https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/ncov.shtml>

State of New Jersey COVID-19 Information Hub:

<https://covid19.nj.gov/>

Federal Government Center for Disease Control:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

World Health Organization:

<https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus>

Public Safety & Emergency Information

In an ongoing effort aimed at reducing the public's risk of exposure to COVID-19, the Roselle Park Police Department is encouraging residents to file police reports via telephone. Anyone wishing to file a police report is asked to dial 908-245-2300, where you will be greeted by the Union County Dispatch Center and you can advise them the nature of the call. The Roselle Park Police Department will at that time determine if a police response is warranted and follow up with the caller accordingly.

As always in the event of an emergency please dial 9-1-1.

For public safety non-emergencies please call 908-245-2300

For all emergencies please call 9-1-1

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Notification System

All Borough residents are encouraged to register for the Union County First Alert System. This is a FREE service with which the Borough of Roselle Park Police delivers critical information to our residents. You will be able to receive these messages on your computer, smartphone or other devices that you choose. Residents can register for this event at the below attached website: <https://ucnj.org/alerts/>.

COVID-19 Testing for Union County Residents

All Union County residents, first responders and health workers (symptomatic or asymptomatic) can schedule free COVID-19 viral testing by calling 908-373-5105 or 908-214-7170, or by scheduling an appointment through the Union County website: www.ucnj.org.

The County's drive-through testing center at Kean University (1000 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083) is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK SUMMARY OF COVID-19 CASES AS OF 6/11/2020 AT 10:35 PM SUMMARY CASE DATA

Total Cases: 309
Age Range: 1 Year - 88 Years
Deaths: 10 Persons

WEEK-OVER-WEEK CASES

Date	# of Cases	Difference
4/3/2020:	24 cases	+24
4/10/2020:	104 cases	+80
4/17/2020:	170 cases	+66
4/18/2020:	209 cases	+39
5/1/2020:	248 cases	+39
5/8/2020:	263 cases	+22
5/15/2020	283 cases	+22
5/22/2020	293 cases	+10
5/29/2020	304 cases	+11
6/4/2020	306 cases	+2
6/11/2020	309 cases	+3