



# Daily Status Report Templeton MA

Overall Status:  
**Significant Risk**

Plan/Operation Name: COVID-19 Response

**Daily Update for: 1 April 2020**

(changes noted in blue text, links in red text)

Status Code Legend:

- Low Risk: Normal operations; limited risk
- Significant Risk: Limited functionality; emergency activation; local incidents
- Medium Risk: Degraded operations; heighten awareness; area incidents
- High Risk: Ceased operations; full activation; measurable local impact

Current News / Situation	<p>Templeton is in a state of emergency (16 MAR 2020); the town is continually planning and operating to provide prevention practices as well as maintain a safe and healthy public. <a href="#">Yesterday, the Baker-Polito Administration announced several updates related to the COVID-19 outbreak including extending the non-essential business emergency order and guidance for Executive Branch employees until May 4. The Department of Public Health's Stay-At-Home Advisory remains in effect. The Administration also updated the "COVID-19 Essential Services" categories for businesses and other organizations that provide essential services and workforces related to COVID-19 that are permitted to operate brick and mortar facilities during the emergency. Clarification to Adding health care providers like chiropractors and optometrists and Hotel/Motel Guidance. <a href="#">Order</a>   <a href="#">Essential Services List</a>.</a></p> <p>COVID-19 symptoms of this infection may appear 2-14 days after exposure and include: Fever, Cough, and shortness of breath, and in severe cases, pneumonia (fluid in the lungs). Call your healthcare professional if you develop symptoms, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19. Rates below are from CDC and MADPH.</p> <p><b>National Cases: 163,539 (+22,635)</b>      <b>MA State Cases: 6620 (+868)</b>      <b>Worcester County Cases: 433 (+53)</b></p>
Issues:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Local restaurants must adhere to restrictions and orders on crowds; stay outside until clear</li> <li>● <a href="#">Governor Baker's emergency directive to businesses and stay @ home advisory EXTENDED</a></li> <li>● Priorities in community: Personal Protective Equipment, Food Pantry (citizen resources), Critical Staff</li> </ul>
Town Offices and Partner Status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Town Hall: closed for public access until 13 April; use the website for transactions or call; <a href="#">next BoS workshop 1 April 2020 (Zoom &amp; YouTube)</a>; <a href="#">Continued work to provide clarity on the release of private health information (105CMR300.120)</a>; staff attending many webinars for COVID-related tasks</li> <li>● NRSD Facilities: closed for school session providing staff support from central office; providing student meals using 'drive thru' method; Central Office # (978) 939-5661; on-line classroom learning in use</li> <li>● Senior Center/COA: closed; minimally staffed; <a href="#">Veteran Agent looking for info on veterans that may be seeking benefits (978) 894-6971</a>; <a href="#">American Legion assisting with mailer/flyer for vets</a></li> <li>● Library: closed</li> <li>● Food Pantry: open Tuesday 9-12, Thursday 12-3 with specific instructions; donated items are cleaned and inventoried. Located in back of Senior Center; <a href="#">thank you to Country Hen for generous egg donation</a>; <a href="#">Working with Gardner CAC</a></li> <li>● Emergency Services: vestibules only; sign up for CodeRed on town website or text "templetonma" to 99411 or call (866) 939-0911; TFD researching decontamination capability; face shield order pending</li> <li>● DPW: full operations; office closed to public; cemeteries are closed for new burials;</li> <li>● TMLWP/Sewer: full operations; office closed to public; monitoring Gov order on suspension of shutoffs</li> </ul>
Specialized Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Board of Health; working with businesses on closing/opening guidance; coordinating mailings and donation inputs; <a href="#">contingency planning for meals on wheels for sustained operations (7 frozen meals)</a></li> <li>● 2-1-1 call center; phone service has long wait times; recommend using chat or local resources</li> </ul>
Citizen Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Published memo and guides for local businesses; this is in conjunction with MA GOV's initiatives</li> <li>● New State resource for push notifications on coronavirus: text "COVIDMA" to 888-777</li> <li>● Senior Hours: Market Basket Tue, Wed, Thu 5:30am - 7am; Hannafords 6-7am Tue, Wed &amp; Thu; Price Chopper 6-7am every day; Walmart 6-7am Tuesday only;</li> </ul>
Contact / Information	<p>Board of Health (978) 894-2770    Town Administrator/Board of Selectmen (978) 894-2755</p> <p>Town Website: <a href="http://www.templetonma.gov">www.templetonma.gov</a>    MA DPH: <a href="http://www.mass.gov/orgs/departement-of-public-health">www.mass.gov/orgs/departement-of-public-health</a></p> <p>Town Official Social Media: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TownofTempleton/">www.facebook.com/TownofTempleton/</a></p>