

Three more COVID-19 cases reported in New Bedford, total up to 183

UPDATE: New Bedford health officials reported one more COVID-19 related death since this article was published.

Mayor Jon Mitchell's office reported three additional confirmed COVID-19 cases in New Bedford Saturday morning, bringing the total positive cases in the city to 183, **up from 180 yesterday**. The total COVID-19 related deaths in New Bedford remains at nine. Mayor Mitchell's office reported another death on Saturday and **one new COVID-19 related death on Thursday**. No specific details (age, sex of the patient, etc) is available.

Due to Patriots' Day, Monday, April 20, there will be no residential trash and recycling collection on Monday, April 20 in New Bedford. Full details **here**.

According to Mayor Coogan, Fall River has 178 total cases of COVID-19 as of Friday. 82 individuals have recovered. Full details **here**.

On April 17, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 2,221 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 34,402. This is a decrease from Thursday's 2,263 reported cases. 159 new COVID-19 related deaths were reported since yesterday, up from 137, bringing the total deaths in Massachusetts to 1,404. Full details **here**.

Governor Baker yesterday outlined its ongoing comprehensive strategy to address homelessness during the COVID-19 outbreak. The Administration also announced additional support for foster families and a new emergency order authorizing the

creation of emergency childcare sites. Full details **here**.

A bill that hospital representatives said would provide urgently needed new legal protections to health care professionals working in unprecedented situations during the COVID-19 crisis passed the state Senate on Thursday. Full details **here**.