New Bedford officials report four more COVID-19 related deaths, total rises to seven

New Bedford Mayor Jon Mitchell's office reported four additional COVID-19 related deaths Tuesday afternoon, bringing the total deaths in the city to seven. Mayor Mitchell reported New Bedford's third COVID-19 related death on Friday. There is no further information (i.e. age, sex of deceased) regarding the four new deaths.

Officials reported 156 positive cases of COVID-19 Tuesday morning, up from the **151 cases they reported on Saturday** and up from 136 on Saturday. New Bedford doesn't report totals on Sundays.

The City of Fall River has seen an additional 5 confirmed cases of COVID-19. According to Mayor Coogan's Office, there are 146 confirmed cases in Fall River. Full details here.

On April 13, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 1,392 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 26,867. This is a decrease from Sunday's 2,615 reported cases. 88 new COVID-19 related deaths were reported since yesterday bringing the total deaths in Massachusetts to 844. Full details here.

Thousands of state health care workers will be getting a raise after the union representing licensed nurses and caregivers working in Massachusetts state hospitals and group homes struck a deal Sunday night with the state to increase pay by as much as \$10 an hour for the duration of the COVID-19 health emergency. Full details **here**.