

Town of Bar Harbor: Covid Update

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The Town of Bar Harbor expects residents and visitors alike to abide by CDC recommendations for social distancing, isolation, and handwashing. Abiding by these recommendations will help protect our island community.

Covid Transmission Update

MDI Hospital confirmed that they have had one (1) positive test to date.

As of today **3/31/20**, Maine CDC has no confirmed cases in Hancock County however Dr. Shah, Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control, emphasized that we should act as though it is active within our own community.

Shah cautioned that the depth and breadth of the coronavirus outbreak is not yet known in Maine and that just because his agency has not confirmed a case in a given county does not mean it has yet to spread there.

[Maine Center for Disease Control](#)

Public Safety & Municipal News

The next Town Council meeting will be 4/7 at 4:00 PM on townhallstreams.com or live cable channel 1303

Town of Bar Harbor buildings, schools, restrooms, and playgrounds are closed to the public until 4/30.

In the interest of public safety and in an effort to preserve the success of our summer season, the Town Council suspends all occupancy for transient accommodations, vacation rentals and campgrounds for non-essential travel effective April 8 through April 30.

Town Council, Planning Board, and Design Review Board may hold meetings for regular business via video conference.

If you have purchased a vehicle or trailer in a private sale and need a temporary registration, please [click here](#)

The Town of Bar Harbor is working in conjunction with MDI Hospital, Fire, Police, CDC, and John Lennon, the Bar Harbor Public Health Officer to ensure the safety of the community. This working group is called the Emergency Operations Committee

The Fire and Police Departments continue to take precautions to limit transmission among emergency personnel.

MDI Hospital

MDI Hospital Coronavirus Call Center

If you are having symptoms or think you may have been exposed to COVID-19, call your primary care provider. If you do not have one, reach out to our Coronavirus Call Center at 207-801-5900. Calling ahead helps our dedicated health care professionals provide the best possible care and protects those in our community who are most vulnerable.

Remember: **PLEASE CALL AHEAD**

As of 3/27/2020 MDI Hospital has suspended visitation. There are several exceptions, please visit this website to learn more.

[MDI Hospital Covid Updates](#)

Hannaford

The Hannaford is working hard to keep groceries and supplies on the shelves while maintaining a high level of sanitation to protect staff and customers.

Hannaford has dedicated the hour from 6-7 AM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays as a specific shopping time for our elderly (60 plus) and those who are immunocompromised.

They are open 7 days a week from 7am to 9pm for all other patrons.

Store manager Jay Boyce reports that the quietest times at the store continue to be 10am-2pm and 4pm-9pm and that he is pleased that many items are back in stock and able to be maintained.

CHANGES WITH REUSABLE BAGS. At this time, reusable bags are still permitted in the store but our associates will not be permitted to bag your order in them. Plastic and paper options are available at no cost. Customers bagging their own will impact the efficiency of moving customers through and will challenge social distancing as well.

Hannaford now has red 6 foot marks by the registers, plexiglass to protect checkout personnel, and are using small cash boxes so there is no hand to hand contact when exchanging money.

Hannaford appreciates how considerate customers have been and wants to thank customers for their continued goodwill inside the store.

Acadia National Park

[See latest alert from ANP](#)

Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce

Includes resource lists for visitors and businesses

<https://www.visitbarharbor.com/member-center-coronavirus-resources>

School Information: Conners Emerson & MDI High School

The Atlantic Oceanside is providing a **Free Lunch for the students** of families in need, while school provided meals are unavailable lunchinbarharbor.com

<http://www.mdirss.org/>

[Latest email update from Principal Haney MDI Highschool](#)

[Latest email update from Conners Emerson School](#) * latest on backpack program

[Latest email update from Superintendent Marc Gousse](#)

Community Resources

[Jesup Memorial Library](#) educational resources

[Mt. Desert 365 Resource Spreadsheet](#) is a resource list for all of MDI

[Project Open: A community spreadsheet letting residents and visitors know what island businesses are open](#)

[Mount Desert Island Community Response](#) is a resource list for all of MDI

[Bar Harbor Food Pantry](#)

[Help Request to MDI Community Helpers](#)

[Jackson Laboratory & Ellsworth Public Library Online Discussion 3/31 at 7PM](#)

“From SARS to COVID-19: My Life With Pandemic Response”

[Paradis True Value](#) is doing curbside pick-up with ordering and payment processing for those who do not wish to enter the store.

Volunteer Opportunities

[MDI Community Helpers](#)

[Island Connections](#)

Government News & Mandates

[Latest From Maine Governor Janet Mills](#)

[CDC Guidelines](#)

[Maine CDC](#)

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