



## CORONAVIRUS (COVID19) UPDATE 05/08

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

We are still holding at 18 confirmed COVID-19 cases in town. Please continue to observe the COVID-19 protocols already in place. They are for your safety and those around you.

The Governor has set a date of May 20<sup>th</sup> to begin to reopen the state. This will be a gradual process with the priority being safety. I will have guidelines for all of our businesses to help ensure a safe transition as we move toward our new (and improved) normal. As we begin this process, it is now more than ever critical to practice safe distancing, proper hygiene and the use of face masks whenever possible.

The State of Connecticut has mandated that all municipalities offer a tax relief program for those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The town of Washington has chosen to offer the tax deferral program to eligible tax payers. For more information, please follow the link below:

<https://www.washingtonct.org/tax-collector/pages/application-for-municipal-tax-relief-deferral-program-under-executive-orders-7s>

This Sunday is Mother's Day. To all the Moms I would like to wish you a happy Mother's Day. Thank you for all that you do and the sacrifices you make every day.

Thought of the Day: **"The influence of a mother in the lives of her children is beyond calculation."**

- Faust

Thank you to all and stay well.

Jim Brinton  
First Selectman