

State of Ohio EOC SITUATION REPORT

COVID-19 Response

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State EOC Status: **Full Activation**

This report communicates State EOC activity over the previous Operational Period.

Dissemination: Daily, 8:00 AM

Information Cutoff Time: 12:00 AM

Executive Summary

ODH-confirmed COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations continued to trend upward. According to ODH, 182 (+37) of the 704 (+140) confirmed cases are currently hospitalized.

The State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) transitioned to a Full Activation, with Emergency Support Functions 1, 5, 6 (Lead Agency only), 7, 8, 13, and 15 being required at the EOC. All other ESFs are contributing virtually. The Transportation and Energy workgroups will now transition to ESFs 1 (Transportation) and 12 (Energy), respectively.

The EOC continues to communicate with county partners on the state's Personal Protective Equipment plan amidst a global shortage on needed resources.

Key Indicators

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

704

Hospitalizations

182

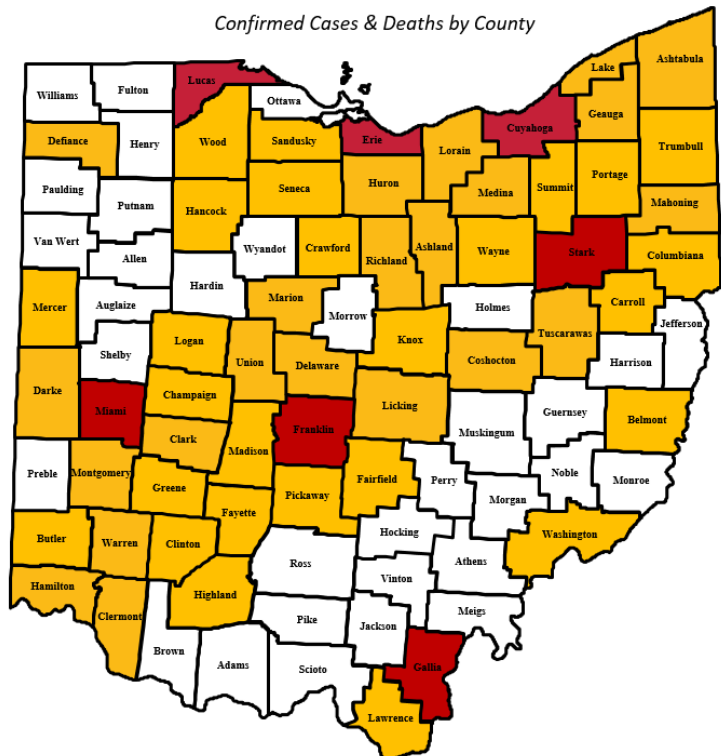
COVID-19 Associated Deaths

10

Active EOC Missions

127

Confirmed Cases & Deaths by County



COVID-19 numbers provided by ODH daily at 2:00 PM

State EOC Missions

New **Pending** **Assigned** **In-Progress** **Complete**

2 **39** **61** **25** **61**

Definitions

- New:** being processed and assigned to appropriate ESF
- Pending:** best ESF-assignment being determined
- Assigned:** EOP-based assignment of mission to ESF has occurred
- In-Progress:** Assigned ESF is taking action on mission
- Complete:** Support from the EOC has been provided and active support has ceased

Mission Request Type	New	Pending	Assigned	In Progress	Complete
Personal Protection Equipment	1	38	1		3
Request For Information			4	3	40
Sanitizing Materials			10	1	1
State EOC Liaison				5	1
Health Management Supplies			41	3	6
Other Missions	1	1	5	13	10

****Any future mission requests for PPE should reflect an outage of PPE that cannot otherwise be addressed or cross-leveled within the county or region.****

- Per ODH communication: “Due to the limited availability of PPE across the globe, the Ohio Department of Health leveraged the current CDC’s Interim Updated Planning Guidance on Allocating and Targeting Pandemic Influenza Vaccine during an Influenza Pandemic to allocate scarce resources across Ohio. ODH adapted the guidance from Tier 1 by identifying the front-line occupations in the priority tier that require allocation of PPE. These occupational groups include:

- Hospitals
- Healthcare workers
- EMS/Local Fire Departments
- Local Law Enforcement
- Long Term Care Facilities

National Emergency Declaration for COVID-19

On March 13, 2020, a federal emergency disaster was declared for the Public Assistance Program. This declaration is limited to costs incurred by state and local government and in very limited circumstances, non-profit organizations, for Category B, emergency protective measures.

On March 19, 2020, U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved Ohio’s request to allow small businesses and nonprofits in Ohio to apply for low-interest, long-term loans of up to \$2 million through the SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loan program.

State EOC Active Workgroups

Workgroup (Lead Agency)	Most Recent Update
Homelessness (Ohio MHAS)	Meeting and developing strategies to address homelessness in collaboration with state agency and community partners. Efforts are focused on addressing lack of shelter space and resources for social distancing, as well as potential isolation and quarantine needs. The group is also working on developing policy direction to address homeless needs and issues of quarantine and residential supports.
Mass Fatality (ODH)	Workgroup is identifying OMORT engagement need.
PPE Prioritization (ODH)	Resource allocation is being conducted following the CDC's Interim Updated Planning Guidance on Allocating and Targeting Pandemic Influenza Vaccine during an Influenza Pandemic. There are no additional meetings currently planned as the strategy has been implemented.
Quarantine (Ohio EMA)	The workgroup plan was updated. The group is working on finalizing a site plan and vetting process; ESF-8 is handling vetting. A map of current location resources continues to be updated daily: https://arcg.is/1K9P9j .

*The Energy and Transportation Workgroups have transitioned to ESF-12 and ESF-1 activities aligned with the State Emergency Operations Plan now that the State EOC is fully activated.

State EOC Actions by Emergency Support Function

ESFs Currently Required For EOC Full Activation

1 through 15 and OHNG

1 | Transportation

- Ohio Department of Transportation

Actions Taken:

- Returned ODH pallets to the RSS warehouse.
- Delivered non-COVID-19 assets to the secondary RSS location.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to support RSS operations.
- Participate in the Quarantine Workgroup meeting.
- Conducting long-term planning with ESF partners regarding future PPE delivery support.

3 | Engineering/Public Works

- Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Actions Taken:

- No current missions assigned; no significant updates.

Planned Actions:

- Continues to plan and coordinate response to COVID-19.

- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Actions Taken:

- Ohio EPA activated ESF-3 Ohio EPA DMWM is responding to information request relative to cascading effects from COVID-19 illnesses for the SEOC Planning Section.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to monitor and support SEOC as needed.

5 | Information & Planning

- Statewide Overview of County EMA Response

- County EMAs continue to posture their response to plan for and respond to COVID-19.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) conservation, acquisition, and distribution efforts continue to take place.
- Medical surge plans are being reviewed and potential needs being assessed.

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ESF-5 | Information & Planning (cont.)

- Volunteer and donation management planning to support reallocation of PPE within the community is occurring.
- All Ohio EMA Regional Offices report County EMAs continue to monitor current events and interface with local agencies as necessary and appropriate.
- Five State EOC Liaisons are deployed or virtually supporting active County EOCs in support of information sharing:
 - Butler
 - Clark
 - Cuyahoga
 - Ottawa
 - Stark
- Advance Planning
 - Actions Taken:*
 - Engaged ESF partners in the items on the AP report as approved by the Executive Team.
 - Medical and Health continues to be the Community Lifeline of highest concern and impact.
 - Planned Actions:*
 - Continue planning future State EOC response needs.
 - Beginning to look at the recovery phase and return to the new normal.

6 | Mass Care

- Ohio Emergency Management Agency
 - Actions Taken:*
 - Working Missions # 21916(Wood County food delivery coordination) & 22283 (Summit County cot resourcing for Cleveland Clinic Akron General. RFIs pending.
 - Ongoing work on Quarantine Site Plan / Quarantine Work Group.
 - Ongoing partner coordination.
 - Finalized "Working with Ohio National Guard" guidance FAQ sheet with the JIC (pending publication).
 - Planned Actions:*
 - Address open missions.
 - Continue coordination of Quarantine Site Plan.
 - Work Group Meeting Thursday.
 - Continue coordination, mission handling, and movement towards finalizing in-progress plans and projects.

ESF-6 | Mass Care (cont.)

- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

Actions Taken:

- Homeless Work Group is working to develop identify policy direction to address need of individuals in homeless populations who may be quarantined.
 - Developing strategies to address homelessness in collaboration with state agency and community partners.
 - On 3/20 sent recommendations for including shelters into the larger quarantine work.
 - Efforts are focused on quarantine recovery sites in the community with a special focus on those living in congregate settings and those who are homeless, who may not have the ability to isolate.
- Held a call with Governor's staff to address the primary issues - lack of shelter space and resources for social distancing and potential isolation and quarantine.
- COHHIO is working to connect local continuums of care with the homeless. Homeless Committee is looking at needs for recovery housing, homeless shelters, DD facilities, and adult care facilities to support congregate living environments and encourage physical distancing.
- Also working on quarantine recovery sites.
- PPE distribution is still being determined for state hospitals as a separate request and OPS who will provide distribution for our partner agencies DYS and DRC.
- Monitoring patient currently in isolation in regional Behavioral Health hospital.

Planned Actions:

- Working to finish compiling a survey conducted with the Local Continuum of Cares-9 throughout the state.
- Developing policy direction to address homeless needs and issues of quarantine and residential supports.
- Monitoring patient currently in isolation in regional Behavioral Health hospital.

7 | Logistics

- Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Actions Taken:

- Received 47 missions. All related to PPE or medical supplies (thermometers, etc).
- Researched potential sources of supply and provided information to complete 11 missions.
- Purchased 130 P100 disposable face masks, 111 full face respirators and 425 filter cart. The disposable masks will be picked up tomorrow and the full face respirators will be picked up on Monday.

ESF-7 | Logistics (cont.)

- Began working a potential donation of 10,000 - 20,000 disposable masks to be delivered late this week or early next week.

Planned Actions:

- Donations planning.
- Sourcing PPE.

8 | Public Health

- Ohio Department of Health

Actions Taken:

- The ODH Receipt, Store and Stage (RSS) Warehouse is operational and in conjunction with state partners moved non COVID-19 materials out of the warehouse to another warehousing facility to increase space.
- Testified before Controlling Board and obtained approval for CDC supplemental funding of \$15.6 million for COVID19 response.
- Coordinated collaboration with AG's office regarding statewide strategy for utilizing university resources (buildings / dorms for public health response.
- Dispatched strike team to assess/assist intermediate care facility COVID19 issue.
- Shared COVID-19 ODH PSAs for use at Ohio Airports with DSA and JobsOhio.
- Representation provided to forming group on isolation and quarantine needs of special populations residing in community.
- ODH participated in a teleconference with representatives from the Attorney General's Office, the Department of Higher Education, and Ohio EMA to discuss the utilization of public colleges and universities for response to COVID-19.
- ODH is working with Ohio EMA to request virtual support from an HHS LNO.
- ODH is working with Ohio Hospital Association to refine bed availability and resource capacity across Ohio hospitals.
- ODH continues to monitor Hospital Bed availability by region. ODH is participating in the Long Term Care conference calls with local response partner's in coordination with other state partners.

Planned Actions:

- The ODH Receipt, Store and Stage (RSS) Warehouse is preparing for a second shipment of SNS PPE.
- Stakeholder call is being arranged regarding PPE.
- Compiling information on surge use of ventilators for future planning.

ESF-8 | Public Health (cont.)

- The Cuyahoga Health Department will record “On Boarding/Introduction to Field Epidemiology” to be used for Graduate Students supporting local health departments PPE Scarcity.
- Ohio Department of Aging and State Long-Term Care Ombudsman
 - Actions Taken:*
 - State Long-Term Care Ombudsman reached out to Summit County EMA to inquire about a briefing with the affected nursing home.
 - ODA provided updated guidance to our regional Area Agencies on Aging, which specifically addresses questions about process expectations when an enrolled individual receiving home and community-based services is suspected of having or has tested positive for COVID-19.
 - Guidance had previously been provided on March 13, 2020, issued by the Departments of Aging and Medicaid, in order to maximize flexibility for the case management agencies operating the state’s nursing-facility-level-of-care waiver programs.
 - This guidance has been developed to reduce the number of external contacts with vulnerable Ohioans who are most susceptible to COVID-19.

Planned Actions:

- Continued support to ODH and local partners and representatives as needed.

- Ohio Department of Education

Planned Actions:

- Continuing to develop new and update existing information documents for schools regarding services to students during closures.

- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities

Actions Taken:

- Sent e-mail notice to all DODD stakeholders indicating that DODD is hiring for critical positions such as direct support staff, licensed practical nurse, and psychiatric nurses.
- Continued to communicate with DODD system stakeholders and provide information and guidance on our departmental website.

Planned Actions:

- Collaborate with Ohio Department of Health on formation of strike teams to assist community partners in dealing with outbreaks of COVID-19 in facility settings.

ESF-8 | Public Health (cont.)

- Ohio Emergency Medical Services

Actions Taken:

- Continued providing guidance on the proper use and conservation of PPE.
- Worked with ODH on development of survey to all EMS agencies including ambulance services on PPE consumption and needs.
- Working with ESF4 Fire Marshal's Office on survey to determine EMS and Fire staffing needs effected by illness or quarantining of EMS personnel.

Planned Actions:

- Working with information received on small-to-midsized manufactures retooling for producing the most needed PPE.
- Working with the BMV on guidelines for private EMS and ambulance agencies on procedures for renewing and obtain license plates to keep them operating.

11 | Agriculture

- Ohio Department of Agriculture

Actions Taken:

- No missions currently assigned.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to monitor and support as needed.
- ODA lab work and inspections to support commerce and ensure public health continue.
- Staffing WebEOC during operational hours.

12 | Energy

- Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Actions Taken:

- Requests from the Ohio EPA for clarification on transportation orders were processed.

Planned Actions:

- PUCO is currently in standby mode and waiting to assist as necessary.

13 | Law Enforcement

- Ohio State Highway Patrol

Actions Taken:

- The Ohio State Highway Patrol continues to provide site security for the Ohio Department of Health as requested.

Planned Actions:

- The Ohio State Highway Patrol will continue to provide site security for the Ohio Department of Health.

- Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

Actions Taken:

- ODRC continues to evaluate the offender population- monitoring temperatures and respiratory symptoms.
- Ohio Penal Industries has ordered material to possibly make masks and gowns.
- ODRC continues to monitor PPE inventory and is redistributing the supply on hand based on need of each institution- request to EOC of estimated date for depleting supply.
- ODRC has a COVID-19 transparency form that will be attached to the ODRC report daily.
- ODRC has drafted and put on the website a Frequently Asked Questions for staff on COVID-19.

Planned Actions:

- Continue to work towards the incident objectives.
- ODRC continues to monitor the incarcerated adult population.
- ODRC continues to screen all people that enter the front and back door.
- ODRC continues to monitor the staffing levels.

14 | Recovery

- Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Planned Actions:

- Continuing to assess what existing declarations can provide and what we may need moving forward.

15 | Public Affairs

Actions Taken:

Completed Guidance:

- All 20 Essential Business and Operations Documents are online
- Responsibilities of Essential Business Employers
- Updated Family Activities Document
- Updated Scams document to incorporate Dept of Commerce Guidance
- Federal Request Document
- Updates to Resources for Economic Support

Other Completed Projects:

- Together Ohio Document
- Influencer Video from Press Conference on COVID 19
- Scripts for Airport PSA's finalized
- Blood Donation Social Media chain
- How to respond to callers asking if they must show documentation to work
- EMS Video explaining when to call EMS
- Responded to 30 stakeholder calls/questions
- Connected Commerce with OhioMHAS to do some joint messaging on liquor access and responsible consumption

Planned Actions:

- Essential Travel explainer (being reviewed by legal).
- Website Translations
- Answers for where to send people who are reporting on businesses still open.

New Projects:

- Essential Activities Explainer
- Bill Signing Resources
- Bill Signing Press Release.

Other Partners

- Ohio National Guard

Actions Taken:

- Food Bank (ODJFS): NG continues to support Food Banks at 12 county locations IOT support food distribution throughout all 88 Ohio counties.
- PPE (OHEMA): NG continues to support PPE donation and distribution. Much of this is still in planning phase.
- RSS Warehouse (ODH): NG continues to provide logistical support and personnel in support of ODH RSS Warehouse operations.
- ODH Alternate RSS Warehouse (ODH): NG has completed staging the Tamiflu and Water moved by ODOT from the Primary site to the secondary site.

Planned Actions:

Other Partners (cont.)

- Continue operations and planning as stated above.
- Ohio Homeland Security/OP3

Actions Taken:

- Continued EPCS Tracking. Number of calls:
 - New OP3 Businesses: 105
 - New EPCS Registrations: 325
 - Total calls on SIMS line: 30
 - Total calls on OP3 line: 6
 - Total active EPCS credentials: 4,976

County EOCs Reporting Adjusting EOC Status for Response

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Allen | 36. Logan |
| 2. Ashland | 37. Lorain |
| 3. Ashtabula | 38. Lucas |
| 4. Auglaize | 39. Knox |
| 5. Brown | 40. Madison |
| 6. Butler | 41. Mahoning |
| 7. Carroll | 42. Marion |
| 8. Champaign | 43. Medina |
| 9. Clark | 44. Mercer |
| 10. Clermont | 45. Miami |
| 11. Clinton | 46. Montgomery |
| 12. Columbiana | 47. Morgan |
| 13. Coshocton | 48. Morrow |
| 14. Crawford | 49. Muskingum |
| 15. Cuyahoga | 50. Noble |
| 16. Darke | 51. Ottawa |
| 17. Defiance | 52. Paulding |
| 18. Delaware | 53. Perry |
| 19. Erie | 54. Pickaway |
| 20. Fairfield | 55. Portage |
| 21. Fayette | 56. Putnam |
| 22. Franklin | 57. Ross |
| 23. Fulton | 58. Sandusky |
| 24. Gallia | 59. Scioto |
| 25. Geauga | 60. Shelby |
| 26. Greene | 61. Stark |
| 27. Hancock | 62. Summit |
| 28. Huron | 63. Trumbull |
| 29. Hamilton | 64. Tuscarawas |
| 30. Hardin | 65. Union |
| 31. Harrison | 66. Warren |
| 32. Highland | 67. Williams |
| 33. Lake | 68. Wood |
| 34. Lawrence | 69. Wyandot |
| 35. Licking | 70. Wayne |



Counties Reporting Declared State of Emergencies

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Ashtabula | 29. Lawrence |
| 2. Brown | 30. Licking |
| 3. Butler | 31. Logan |
| 4. Carroll | 32. Lorain |
| 5. Champaign | 33. Lucas |
| 6. Clark | 34. Mahoning |
| 7. Clermont | 35. Meigs |
| 8. Clinton | 36. Miami |
| 9. Coshocton | 37. Monroe |
| 10. Columbiana | 38. Montgomery |
| 11. Crawford | 39. Morgan |
| 12. Cuyahoga | 40. Morrow |
| 13. Defiance | 41. Muskingum |
| 14. Delaware | 42. Noble |
| 15. Erie | 43. Ottawa |
| 16. Fairfield | 44. Paulding |
| 17. Franklin | 45. Perry |
| 18. Fulton | 46. Portage |
| 19. Gallia | 47. Sandusky |
| 20. Geauga | 48. Shelby |
| 21. Greene | 49. Stark |
| 22. Guernsey | 50. Summit |
| 23. Hamilton | 51. Trumbull |
| 24. Hardin | 52. Tuscarawas |
| 25. Harrison | 53. Union |
| 26. Highland | 54. Vinton |
| 27. Knox | 55. Wayne |
| 28. Lake | |



State EOC Objectives

1. Coordinate the State's response to limit spread of COVID-19; and maintain medical care.
2. Provide timely, clear, and consistent messaging to the public, stakeholders and media on the status of COVID-19 and actions the public can take to keep themselves safe.
3. Determine how state agencies will continue delivery of essential services to Ohioans while following COVID-19 public health guidelines.
4. Identify supply bottlenecks that threaten community lifelines and tools the state can provide to improve the supply situation.
5. Determine what emergency authorities and programs are now available through the National Emergency and Public Health Emergency Declarations

State EOC Administrative Information

EOC Hours of Operation: Full Activation: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Daily

Requesting State EOC Support: Please call the Ohio EMA Watch Office

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Real-time Awareness Products: <https://mobile-resources-oema.hub.arcgis.com/>

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