State of Ohio EOC SITUATION REPORT

COVID-19 Response

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State EOC Status: Partial 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, 39 of the 169 confirmed cases are currently hospitalized. The State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains Partially Activated, with Emergency Support Functions 5, 7, 8, 13, and 15 being required at the EOC. Operational and planning efforts were focused on public information & warning, healthcare systems support, responder security and protection, and private sector coordination.

The State EOC continued to process and address mission requests from County EMA partners, including requests for personal protective equipment, medical equipment, State EOC liaison support, and requests for information.

Key Indicators

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

COVID-19
Associated Deaths

169

1

Hospitalizations

Active EOC Missions

39

180

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



39

State EOC Missions

New Pending Assigned In-Progress Complete

12 152 5 11

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	7	112			1
Request For Information			2	2	31
Sanitizing Materials		2			
State EOC Liaison				5	2
Health Management Supplies	5	37	2		3
Other Missions		1	1	4	2

Requests for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) are being received and initially processed by the State EOC. Assignment and fulfillment of PPE missions will occur as prescribed by Ohio Department of Health guidance once it is finalized.

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		
Energy (Ohio EMA)	Continued discussion on potential impacts and necessary actions		
Homelessness (Ohio MHAS)	Submitted policy recommendation to address housing and homeless needs		
Mass Fatality (ODH)	Conducted Mass Fatality conference call with Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team, Ohio State Coroners Association, ODH Vital Statistics and the Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors. The group discussed next steps for planning.		
PPE Prioritization (ODH)	Continued to plan allotment of resources as guidance is finalized		
Quarantine (Ohio EMA)	Continued discussion on potential impacts and necessary actions		
Transportation (ODOT)	Continued discussion on potential impacts and necessary actions		

State EOC Actions by Emergency Support Function

ESFs Currently Required For EOC Partial Activation 5, 7, 8, 13, 15

1 | Transportation

• Ohio Department of Transportation

Actions Taken:

Continued to be available to support as needed

3 | Engineering and Public Works

• Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Actions Taken:

- ODNR continued to monitor and plan for this incident and report information internally and externally to state partners.
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Actions Taken:

o Shared Emergency Partner Credentialing System with Ohio EPA-regulated facilities.

Planned Actions:

• We 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-
 - At least 60 counties have elevated their EOC to better facilitate multi-agency coordination.
 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) conservation efforts are occurring and needed materials are being requested through local avenues; unmet needs are being communicated by calling the State EOC.
 - 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:

o Butler

o Ottawa

o Clark

o Stark

Cuyahoga

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ESF-5 | Information & Planning (cont.)

Advance Planning

Actions Taken

o ESF-1 Transportation conference call was held. Coordination is taking place.

Planned Actions

- Continue coordination with work groups and state partners to look into future needs; communications and transportation lifelines will receive further assessment.
- Geospatial Information Systems

Actions Taken

Fielded request for ESF-4 staffing support survey & awareness product

6 | Mass Care

Ohio Department of Education

Actions Taken:

o Posted State Superintendent's video update on ODE's coronavirus webpage.

Planned Actions:

 Continuing to develop information documents for schools regarding services to students during closures.

7 | Logistics

Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Actions Taken:

 Entered requisitions for ~7M disposable gloves and ~900K N95 masks. Gloves are available and should be received in one to two weeks. Delivery time for masks is unknown.

Planned Actions:

Continue sourcing PPE.

8 | Public Health

Actions Taken:

- Ohio Department of Health
 - Since this incident has begun, ODH has received eighteen (18) Mission/RFIs and completed twelve (12), four (4) are in progress and two (2) being planned.
 - ODH continues the development of Allocation of Scarce Resources tool. Tool is currently being stress tested by Medicaid.
 - ODH participated in Long Term Care conference call.
 - ODH co-hosted a Coroners Call with Ohio State Coroners Association and local Coroners, ODH Vital Statistics, Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors.

ESF-8 | Public Health (cont.)

- ODH hosted a Mass Fatality conference call with Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team, Ohio State Coroners Association, ODH Vital Statistics and the Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors.
- ODH participated in the PPE Prioritization Working Group.
- o ODH continues to monitor Hospital Bed availability by region.
- Collaborated on various RFIs and planning efforts with many stakeholders and ESF-8 partners to provide guidance and direct information.
- Ohio Department of Aging and State Long-Term Care Ombudsman
 - Fielded an increase in complaints about long-term care facilities (nursing homes and residential care facilities) requiring a negative COVID-19 test as a condition of admission.
 - Ombudsman representatives continue to inform providers of the Ohio Department of Health message that individuals who are asymptomatic do not need to be tested.
- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities
 - Redistributed all Department guidance and update memos sent in past week to stakeholders in one distinct communication with links to access each individually.
 - Provided information requested regarding personal protective equipment needs and shortages.
 - Shared community Adult Day Service and Transportation Provider information with Mass Care Work Group as potential resources.
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
 - OhioMHAS Housing and Homelessness Team developed Policy Recommendations for COVID19 Specific to Housing and Homelessness needs. Included in document are resources from the Ohio Housing Finance Agency (5 mill) for rental assistance. DSA, to reallocate funds to assist with Rapid Rehousing. Policy recommendation to develop a consistent communication plan for inquiries that provide a single point of contact as a response to local needs across the state.
- Ohio Department of Emergency Medical Services
 - Continued to provide guidance to EMS services dealing with the increase to requirements when responding to medical facilities and nursing homes.
 - Disseminated guidance to Ambulette (wheelchair van) agencies on COVID-19 when transporting wheelchair confined individuals for medical and non-medical circumstances.
 - Suspended all medical transportation inspection and developed a temporary policy to keep private Ambulance, Mobile ICU, ambulette and air medical services operating.

ESF-8 | Public Health (cont.)

Planned Actions:

- Ohio Department of Health
 - ODH will continue to monitor hospital bed availability.
- Ohio Department of Aging and State Long-Term Care Ombudsman
 - Pursuant to the Governor's Order in effect March 23, regarding the closing of senior centers, congregate meal programs, adult day centers and other settings linked to where seniors may be in close proximity, the Ohio Department of Aging will monitor and be prepared to respond to inquiries we receive from our regional Area Agencies on Aging as well as those received through the Emergency Operations Center.
- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities
 - Continue to collaborate with Ohio Department of Health to develop guidance for direct care service providers.
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
 - Coordination with stakeholders to support recommendations of COVID19 Housing and Homelessness needs.
 - Continue coordination with OhioMHAS Homeless Team and EOC.
- Ohio Department of Emergency Medical Services
 - Work on creating a way to survey and monitor EMS providers who are exposed.
 - Work on PPE availability for EMS providers and provide guidance on conserving PPE and proper use of PPE.
 - Work to include non-emergency medical transportation services (Ambulette of Wheelchair Van) included in receiving PPE.

13 | Law Enforcement

• Ohio State Highway Patrol

Actions Taken:

• The Ohio State Highway Patrol is supporting the Ohio Department of Health by providing site security.

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 held a tabletop/exercise/discussion with jails this afternoon to discuss public safety, safety for staff and updated Coronavirus information.

ESF-13 | Law Enforcement (cont.)

- ODRC has received confirmation that all 8 incarcerated adults COVID-19 tests have negative results.
- ODRC has kept communication with the ONG and updated them on needs for possible future missions.
- Ohio Penal Industries is reviewing the possibility of making masks and gowns for use with COVID-19. We are working with ODH and they have reached out to the CDC for confirmation and verification of specifications.
- Ohio Penal Industries is re-packaging hand sanitizer for first responders.

Planned Actions:

Continuing to work towards incident objectives.

15 | Public Affairs

Actions Taken:

- Gov. DeWine announced the first Ohio coronavirus-related fatality
- Checklists and guidance on COVID-19 have been translated in Chinese, Somali and Spanish.
- DeWine also announced his signing Executive Orders that Ohio senior centers and senior day cares will close end of business, Monday, March 23.
- Fielded 15 COVID-related calls concerning testing, rumor control and addressing questions from viewers.
- Priorities:
 - Letter to Behavioral Health Providers
 - o PUCO Guidance
 - Workers' Mental Health Checklist

- PPE Infographic
- PPE Statement
- Supreme Court document
- o PPE Conservation Guide
- National Guard PSA

Other Partners

Ohio National Guard

Actions Taken:

 ONG has closed one RFI regarding providing information on the upcoming food bank mission.

Planned Actions:

Approximately 400 ONG soldiers will be activated 21 March to support ODJFS
efforts to maintain operations at seven food bank locations. Activities may include
donation collection, warehousing and distribution of donated food.

County EOCs Reporting Adjusting EOC Status for Response

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



Counties Reporting Declared State of Emergencies

1.	Ashtabula	22.	Lawrence	
2.	Brown	23.	Logan	
3.	Butler	24.	Lorain	
4.	Carroll	25.	Lucas	
5.	Champaign	26.	Mahoning	
6.	Clark	27.	Meigs	
7.	Clermont	28.	Miami	
8.	Clinton	29.	Monroe	
9.	Coshocton	30.	Montgomery	
10.	Cuyahoga	31.	Morgan	
11.	Delaware	32.	Morrow	
12.	Erie	33.	Muskingum	
13.	Fairfield	34.	Noble	
14.	Franklin	35.	Ottawa	
15.	Fulton	36.	Paulding	
16.	Gallia	37.	Perry	
17.	Greene	38.	Portage	
18.	Guernsey	39.	Shelby	
19.	Hamilton	40.	Stark	
20.	Highland	41.	Summit	
21.	Knox	42.	Union	



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: Partial Activation: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Daily

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

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