



COVID-19

REOPENING UPDATE

Monday, September 14, 2020

The chart below reflects how the numbers have changed since Friday, September 11. See the daily breakdown below this summary chart for each day's figures.

Bowie Confirmed Cases: * 1,882 (+24) 20715: 368 (+5) 20716: 423 (+5) 20720: 471 (+5) 20721: 620 (+9)	Prince George's County Confirmed Cases: 27,760 (+321) * Total Deaths: 807 (+6) * Ever hospitalized: 3,860 (+39) * Case Rate per 100k: 12.03 Ranking: 32nd in the nation for highest number of cases.	Maryland Confirmed Cases * 116,646 (+1,922) Deaths 3,834 (+6) Case Rate per 100k: 9.4 Released from Isolation: 7,186 (+43) = 6.1%
Testing MD Tests Completed: 2,226,655 (+19,197) Negative Tests: 1,348,217 (+8,482) MD Positivity Rate: 3.33% PGC Positivity Rate: 5.66%	Maryland Hospitalizations Data Tracker Currently Hospitalized: 347 -1.1% Acute Care: 257 -1.9% Intensive Care: 90 1.1% Ever Hospitalized: 14,884 12.7%	
<i>* These figures represent changes since 9/11 (3-day change).</i>		

	MD Cases	PG Cases	Bowie Cases
9/11	114,724	27,439	1,858
9/12	+890	+150	+15
9/13	+577	+64	+6
9/14	+536	+77	+3
	116,646	27,102	1,882

Source: Maryland COVID-19 dashboard

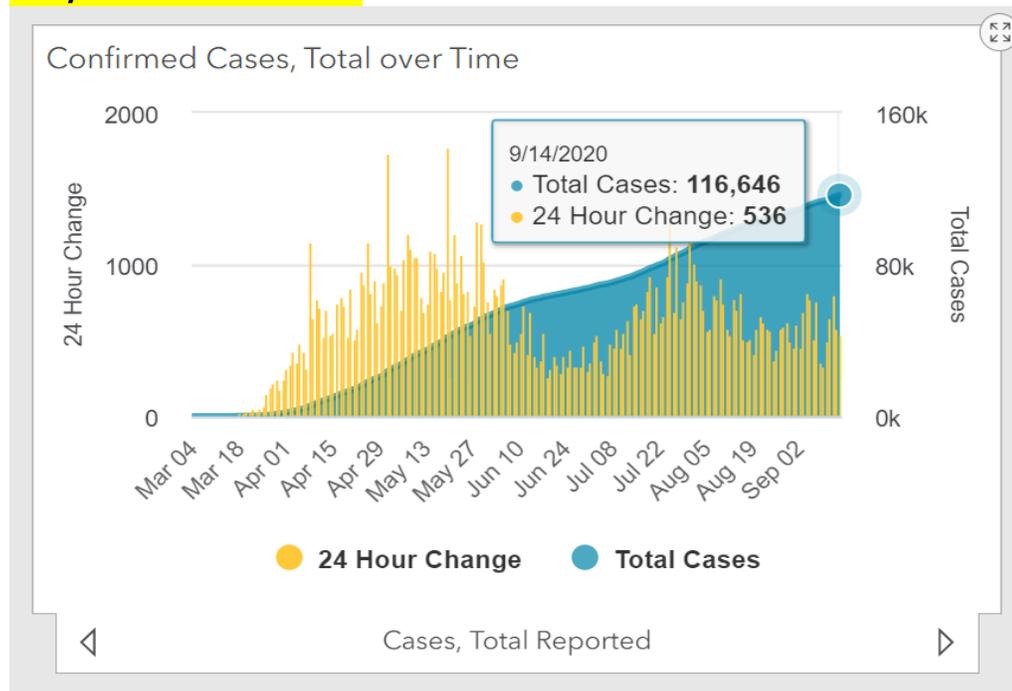
Visit the [Prince George's County COVID-19 dashboard](#) to view data for all zip codes in the County and

the [Maryland dashboard](#) for statewide data.

COVID Trends

COVID-related hospitalizations in Maryland are at their lowest rate since late March/early April. The 7-day state positivity rate is 3.54% and daily rate is 3.33%; however, the daily positivity rate for Prince George’s County has been above the 5% mark for the last four days. Today’s County positivity rate is 5.66%.

Maryland Cases Over Time



Source: Maryland COVID-19 dashboard

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Issues Guidance Updates

The CDC recently published the following COVID-19 updates:

- [People with Moderate to Severe Asthma](#) (9/11/20)
- [Daily Cleaning and Disinfecting Steps to Keep Homes Safe from COVID-19](#) (9/8/20)
- [Older Adults](#) (9/11/20)
- [Children, Teens and Young Adults](#) (9/11/20)
- [Running Essential Errands](#) (9/11/20)

Flu Shots Are More Important Than Ever This Year

The CDC is encouraging residents to get an annual influenza (flu) vaccination to reduce the chance of getting the flu and spreading it to others. According to the CDC, COVID-19 will likely continue into the fall and winter and may overlap with the flu season. With the possibility of both viruses occurring in communities at the same time, it is vital that everyone who is able, should get a flu shot this year. Vaccinations are available at local pharmacies.

[Learn more](#)

Some Unemployed Marylanders Are Now Eligible for Temporary Federal Supplemental Payment

The Maryland Department of Labor announced earlier this week that the Lost Wages Assistance [LWA] program begins today, Friday, September 11. The LWA program offers claimants an additional \$300 per

week in retroactive federal benefits amid the coronavirus pandemic. Eligible claimants may receive up to 6 weeks of the extra benefit.

To qualify for the \$300 in federal benefits retroactive to the weeks ending August 1, 2020 through September 5, 2020, the federal program requires that claimants be eligible for a weekly benefit amount of at least \$100. Claimants will not need to file a separate application and will be notified of their eligibility for the LWA program in their BEACON One-Stop portal and by email.

Assisted Housing Relief Program

The state has launched the [Assisted Housing Relief Program](#), an eviction prevention program intended to help bring rental delinquencies current and provide relief for tenants through direct payments to their eligible property management company. Tenants in eligible properties will be credited rent rebates paid directly to the property management company, which will eliminate their rental debt and the threat of eviction. The program serves rental units in multifamily projects financed by DHCD's Community Development Administration using state funds or federal resources. [Learn more about the program here.](#)

Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) Bans Utility Shutoffs Until November 15

In order to help households still struggling due to the effects of the pandemic, the Maryland Public Service Commission has issued a ruling banning all utility shutoffs in the State of Maryland until after November 15. Learn more at the [Maryland PSC website](#).

Prince George's County Schools Meal Program

Free meals are available for pickup to all children ages 2 to 18 years old on Mondays and Wednesdays between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., except on holidays. Children picking up meals do not have to show any form of identification. Adults picking up meals without children should show a student ID or most recent report card to support the number of meals requested. Information about pickup locations can be found on the [PGCPS website](#).

Other News

Get Lost in a Great Book With One of Our "Celebrity" Book Readers!

Bowie has teamed up with some local readers to provide a series of Read Aloud videos for our youngest residents. We hope you will enjoy seeing some familiar faces and have fun exploring some new books or getting reacquainted with some old favorites. We have launched this effort with five book readings that are available now; please check back often as we will be adding more books soon. We will also be adding craft "how to" videos to go with some of the books.

www.cityofbowie.org/readaloudbooks

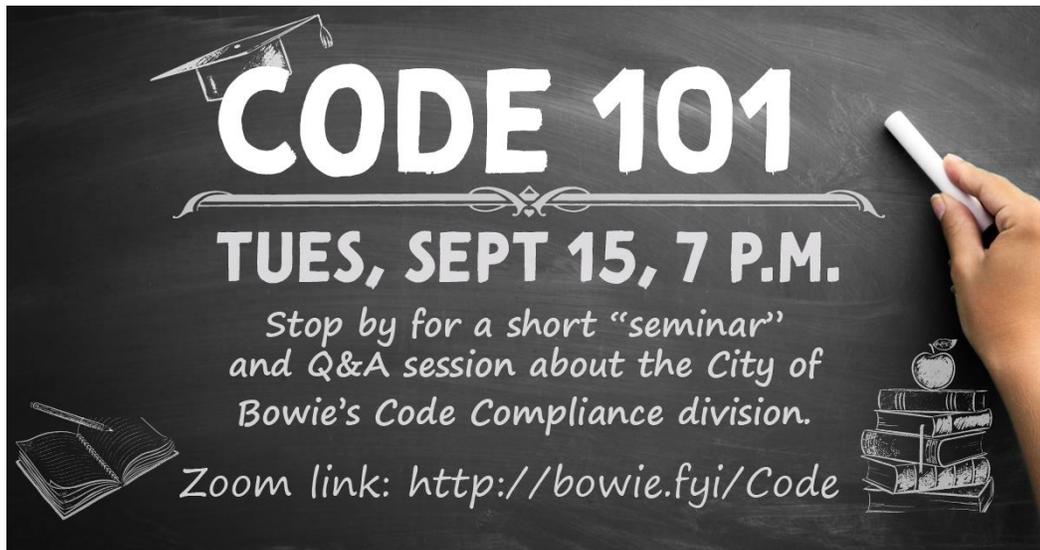
Virtual Town Hall Meeting on Code Compliance – September 15, 7 p.m.

Bowie has regulations in place to ensure properties are being maintained in a safe and healthy manner. These regulations also help to keep our neighborhoods looking attractive, to protect the value of your property, and to instill a sense of pride in our community.

- Have you ever wondered how our Code Compliance Officers enforce these regulations?
- Would you like to know more about the standards you must maintain as a homeowner?
- Do you have questions about specific regulations?

We invite you to join us for **Code 101- Everything You Ever Want to Know About Bowie Code Compliance**. The virtual meeting will take place via Zoom on **Tuesday, September 15 at 7 p.m.** Register to

participate at <https://bowie.fyi/Code>. Questions can be mailed in advance to publicinfo@cityofbowie.org or submitted during the meeting through Zoom.



The Census Countdown is On!

There are only **16 days left to complete the 2020 Census**. The final deadline for all responses is September 30. Bowie is doing well compared to much of the country, in fact at 83.4% response rate, we’re among the 600 best performing cities and towns in the US. However, a response rate of 83% means that almost 17% of our households have not been counted yet, and every household not counted, equates to about \$18,000 in lost funding over 10 years. These areas that are not being adequately counted are the very areas that will need well-funded services over the next 10 years.

Enumerators are knocking on doors all over Bowie now, trying to get non-responding households counted. You can avoid the knock on your door by completing your census now at www.2020census.gov or by calling 844-330-2020. The number to complete the census in Spanish is 844-468-2020.

If you would like to see how your neighborhood is doing in responding, visit www.cityofbowie.org/census.

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COMPLETE YOUR CENSUS NOW
Responding is safe, easy, and important!

DEADLINE TO SELF-RESPOND IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

Census data and funding will be more important than ever to help communities recover from the impacts of COVID-19.

Call **1-844-330-2020** or visit **My2020Census.gov**

**Must be completed online or by phone by 11:50 PM EST, or postmarked on or before September 30th.*

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Office of Community Relations

Important Election Information & Dates

- General Election: November 3, 2020, polls open 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
- General Election Early Voting: Monday, October 26, 2020 - Monday, November 2, 2020, polls open 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
- The City of Bowie Gymnasium will be a voting site for Early Voting and Election Day Voting; it will also have a drop-off box for completed mail-in ballots.
- The Board of Elections has published the [full list of Election Day Vote Centers and Early Voting locations](#) for Prince George's County.

[Prince George's County Board of Elections](#) 301-341-7300

[Maryland Board of Elections](#) 410-269-2840



Don't Wait ★ Vote Safe!

Apply for a Mail-in Ballot Now!

Text VBM to 77788

Fill out your application online:
elections.mypgc.us or
elections.maryland.gov

County Board of Elections
1100 Mercantile Ln.
Suite 115A
Largo, MD 20774
Hours: Mon. - Fri.
8 AM - 4:30 PM

VOTE BY MAIL

Go to the Prince George's County Board of Elections to fill out and return an application in person.

Receive application in the mail and return it via the prepaid envelope or drop it off at the County Board of Elections.

#DontWaitVoteSafe