



COVID-19 UPDATE

Monday, April 12, 2021

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COVID Brief

Michigan has the highest new case rate in the country, with more than 7,000 cases being reported there, on average, each day. By comparison, Maryland had 9,400 new cases in the last week.

State and Local COVID-19 Data

Covid-19 Data			
	Maryland	PG County	Bowie
Cases	427,715 (+4,052*)	80,228 (+522*)	Cases: 6,935 (+60*)
Deaths	8,470 (+46*)	1,408 (+6*)	
Positivity Rate	5.60%	5.93%	20715: 1,562 (+12*)
Case Rate Per 100K	22.51	19.86	20716: 1,524 (+8*)
Currently Hospitalized	1,233 (-1.2%)	NA	20720: 1,761 (+17*)
Total Hospitalized	39,352	8,077 (+54*)	20721: 2,124 (+23*)
Vaccine Progress	Maryland		PG County
1st of 2 Dose Received	2,084,151 (34.47% pop.)		239,233 (26.31% pop.)
2nd of 2 Dose Received	1,226,461 (20.29% pop.)		124,480 (13.69% pop.)
Single Dose	164,862 (2.73%)		16,487 (1.81% pop.)
*New cases since Friday, April 9th, 2021			

For more detailed data visit The CDC [COVID tracker](#), the Maryland [COVID dashboard](#), and the Prince George's County Health Department [COVID dashboard](#).

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DAILY DOSES ADMINISTERED

49%

% 18+ POPULATION
W/ AT LEAST 1 SHOT

79.9%

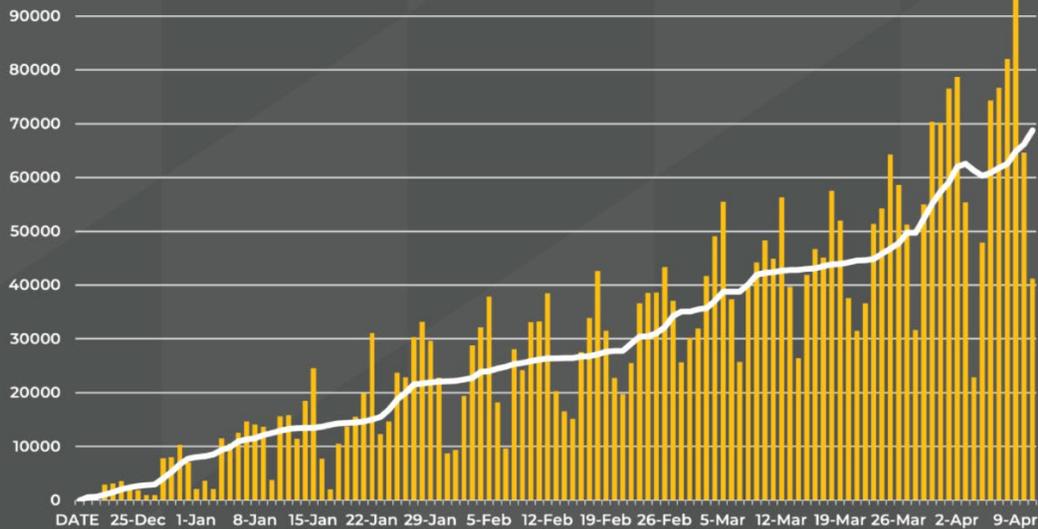
% 65+ POPULATION
W/ AT LEAST 1 SHOT

3.47M

TOTAL DOSES
ADMINISTERED

68,807

DAILY DOSES
(7-DAY AVERAGE)



Senior Center Vaccine Clinic Will Operate Three Days a Week – Beginning Week of April 18

The City of Bowie’s vaccine clinic at the Bowie Senior Center launched on April 11. Approximately 300 individuals (age 50+) were vaccinated. Moving forward, the clinic will operate on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesdays for the next several weeks. Several City staff members are calling the 600+ pre-registrants to schedule appointments for next week. The calls may come from a number you don’t recognize. Please be sure to take the call or check your voicemail so that you don’t miss your scheduling opportunity.

We expect to be able to do almost 800 vaccinations at the Senior Center Clinic next week, so if you’re age 50+ and have not pre-registered with the City of Bowie, please complete the pre-registration form at www.cityofbowie.org/shotbowie.

When our age 50+ priority pre-registrants have been scheduled, we will begin scheduling appointments for all other age groups, as supplies allow.

Get the Vax!

Vaccine appointments are becoming more widely available at a variety of locations.

Mass Vaccination Sites

If you are interested in getting vaccinated at a mass vaccination site in Maryland, please pre-register at <https://onestop.md.gov/preregistration> or call the state’s COVID-19 vaccination support center at 1-855-MD-GOVAX (1-855-634-6829). Pre-registration at the Maryland mass vaccination sites is now open to those age 16 and up.

Now open

- Bowie - Six Flags (drive-through)
- Baltimore - M & T Bank
- Greenbelt - FEMA site at Greenbelt Metro
- Germantown – Montgomery College Campus

- Hagerstown – Premium Outlets
- Timonium - Maryland State Fairgrounds
- Waldorf – Regency Furniture Blue Crab Stadium

Week of April 12:

- Frederick County - Fredrick Community College
- Annapolis - Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium

Later in April:

- Harford County - Ripken Stadium
- Columbia - The Mall in Columbia

Walk up (no appointment) shots are now available at Salisbury, M&T Bank, and Hagerstown mass vaccination sites. However, pre-registration continues to be the best, easiest, and fastest way to reserve an appointment and to ensure that a vaccine is available to you.

At the mass vaccination sites operated by the state of Maryland, individuals who are unable to provide identification will be asked to sign an affidavit certifying eligibility to receive a vaccine. Providers may inquire about insurance or other documentation requirements, but insurance is not required to get a vaccine.

Other Ways to Get Vaccinated

1. **Prince George’s Health Department is hosting clinics at several locations.** Complete the County [pre-registration form](#) to secure an appointment at one of these sites or call 3-1-1 for assistance with pre-registration.
2. **Pharmacies** – [Giant](#), [Safeway](#), [CVS](#), [Rite Aid](#), [Walgreens](#) and [Walmart](#) and independently owned pharmacies under the EPIC pharmacies umbrella.
3. **Healthcare systems** – [Luminis](#) (Anne Arundel Hospital/Doctor’s Hospital), [University of Maryland](#), (includes Prince George’s Hospital), [MedStar](#), [Holy Cross Hospital](#), [Johns Hopkins](#) and [Adventist](#).

Links to schedule appointments at pharmacies and health care systems can be found at covidvax.maryland.gov or you can visit each organization’s website to see what is currently available. Some of the healthcare systems also have their own pre-registration processes.

Progress on Vaccinations for Teens

Currently, the Pfizer vaccine can be administered to those age 16 and up. On April 9, Pfizer requested a change to its Emergency Use Authorization to allow its vaccine to be administered to adolescents 12 to 15 years of age. No decision has been made by the FDA yet.

Johnson & Johnson recently expanded its Phase 2A study to include adolescents 12 to 17 years of age but has not asked the FDA to approve use of its vaccine in this younger group yet. Moderna is also studying use of the vaccine in adolescents and children but to date has not sought Emergency Use Authorization for this group.

Excerpt from the April 9 CDC COVID Tracker – “Vigilance Matters When Viruses Vary”

“The United States is in the fourth week of an upward trend in COVID-19 cases. The lifting of social distancing and mask mandates in some areas could be contributing to this increase. This increase could also be due to the presence of more contagious variants of SARS-CoV-2,

the virus that causes COVID-19, which is why it is important to remain vigilant.

Viruses change constantly through mutation, so new variants are expected to occur as the virus spreads. Some variants pose a bigger threat than others. B.1.1.7 is the most common variant circulating in the United States and has been reported in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Understanding variants and their [spread](#) will help us contain the virus.”

“...The best way to slow the emergence of new variants is to slow the spread of COVID-19 by wearing a mask that covers your nose and mouth, staying 6 feet away from people who don't live with you, avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces, and getting a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as it is available to you.”

GET VACCINATED! STAY VIGILANT!




Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive

**Vaccinated
and
vigilant!**

Proud to be PROTECTED

Like you, we are committed to everyone's safety. Even after we get vaccinated, let's all be sure to wear our face masks and practice social distancing.

#proudtobevaccinatedandvigilant

Don't let your guard down after you are vaccinated against COVID-19. Please continue to wear masks and practice physical distancing in public.

Recent CDC Guidance

The CDC updated its school guidance and is no longer recommending daily disinfection of schools to prevent

the spread of COVID-19. The guidance stated that disinfecting chemicals like ammonia and bleach need be used only within 24 hours after an infected person has been there.

Other recent guidance issued by the CDC:

- [Domestic travel](#)
- [International Travel During COVID-19](#)
- [Guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting homes and facilities](#)
- [Guidance for people who have been fully vaccinated](#)

A Message from Your Bowie COVID Team

The Daily COVID Update has a new look. We have scaled back the data provided to just a few key metrics. The CDC [COVID tracker](#), the Maryland [COVID dashboard](#), and the Prince George's County Health Department [COVID dashboard](#) have detailed data if you want to delve into the numbers further.

There will be more changes to the update over the coming weeks as we all shift our focus toward getting the population vaccinated and returning to a semblance of what life was like before the pandemic began.

For more than a year, the City of Bowie's COVID team has produced a daily COVID update for the Bowie community. We have worked to provide you with important information about the spread of the virus, how to protect yourself, programs to help those affected by the pandemic, and federal, state, and county actions, directives, and guidance. We have also tried to keep you up to date about city services and programs.

We will continue to keep you informed, but the updates will be briefer and more directed toward vaccinations, reopening, and answering the questions that you are posing to us. As always, we welcome your feedback on the content of the updates. Please email the Communications Director at ucooper@cityofbowie.org.

Other News

4/12, 8 p.m. - City Council Budget Introduction, Worksession #1 and Public Hearing

Meetings are broadcast on the Bowie Government Channel 10 (FIOS) and 71 & 996 (Xfinity), at www.cityofbowie.org/viewmeetings, and on the City's YouTube channel. Testimony may be submitted in writing to ahernandez@cityofbowie.org.

Hydrant Flushing Schedule

Hydrant Flushing

Hydrant flushing will take place in areas served by Bowie Water, Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., according to the schedule below:

DATES	NEIGHBORHOODS
APRIL 5 & 6	Buckingham, Derbyshire, & Forest Dr
APRIL 7 & 8	Somerset & Bowie Forest
APRIL 9 & 12	Tulip Grove
APRIL 13 & 14	Foxhill & Long Ridge
APRIL 15, 16 & 19	Kenilworth
APRIL 20	Heather Hills
APRIL 21, 22 & 23	Meadowbrook
APRIL 26	Gradys Walk & Glenridge
APRIL 27	Chapel Forge
APRIL 28	Victoria Heights & Race Track Rd Townhouses
APRIL 29	Idlewild
APRIL 30	Yorktown & Overbrook
MAY 3	Whitehall
MAY 4	Rockledge

Flushing may cause some discoloration of the water for up to 24 hours.
Clothes washing should be avoided during this time.

Visit www.cityofbowie.org/flushing for more information