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COVID Brief

Maryland reports that state metrics have remained stable and low throughout the week, with the daily positivity rate under 1% and hospitalizations dipping 13.9% to just under 200 total cases. Prince George's County's positivity rate is barely over 1%, while Bowie has had zero new cases for four days.

State and Local COVID-19 Data

	Maryland	PG County		Bowie
Cases	461,470 (+108)	85,375 (85,375 (+13) Casses 7 309	
Deaths	9,695 (+6)	1,589 (+1)		Cases: 7,398 (+0)
Positivity Rate	0.78%	1.08	%	20715: 1,623 (+0)
Case Rate Per 100K	1.43	2.14		20716: 1,615 (+0)
Currently Hospitalized	167 (-13.9%)	NA		20720: 1,882 (+0)
Total Hospitalized	43,578	8,720 (+3)		20721: 2,278 (+0)
Vaccine Progress	Maryland		PG County	
1st of 2 Dose Received	3,357,598 (55.54% pop.)		414,688 (45.6% pop.)	
2nd of 2 Dose Received	2,948,986 (48.78% pop.)		356,509 (39.21% pop.)	
Single Dose	249,802 (4.13%)		26,526 (2.92% pop.)	

For more detailed data visit The CDC <u>COVID tracker</u>, the Maryland <u>COVID dashboard</u>, and the Prince George's County Health Department <u>COVID dashboard</u>.

Prince George's County Vaccination Data as Reported by the CDC

The CDC vaccination data by county is based off the percentage of the **eligible** population, rather than percentage of **total population** used on <u>covidvax.maryland.gov</u>.

Prince George's County Fully Vaccinated Residents (as of 6/16, 2:10 p.m.)

Total #	428,209
% of Total Population	47.1%
# of Age 12+	428,182
% of Age 12+ Population	55.5%
# of Age 18+	413,797
% of Age 18+ Population	58.4%
# of Age 65+	99,345
% of Age 65+ Population	78.7%

Source: https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view

Governor Hogan Conference: All State Emergency Mandates and Restrictions End July 1

Governor Hogan held a press conference on Tuesday announcing the end of the COVID-19 state of emergency in Maryland. As of Thursday, July 1:

- All emergency mandates and restrictions of any kind will end. Masks will no longer be
 required in any setting, including schools, camps and childcare facilities. Businesses and other
 workplaces may set their own policies, but there will be no legal mandate from the state
 requiring masks at any location.
- A 45-day grace period (through August 15) will begin when <u>certain regulations</u> will be relaxed to complete the transition out of the pandemic. This includes an additional 45 days to renew expired driver's licenses and an extension of the moratorium on evictions related to COVID-19. Health officials will have that 45-day period to transition from emergency operations.

These changes apply to state mandates and restrictions. We await information from Prince George's County on any changes at the county level.

Vaccination Resources

- State of Maryland To get vaccinated and be eligible for the state's \$2 million Vax Cash Promotion visit covidvax.maryland.gov, or call 1-855-MD-GOVAX (1-855-634-6829). The call center is available seven days a week, from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. for assistance. The Six Flags mass-vaccination site closes operations on July 17.
- Prince George's County Appointments are not necessary at the two COVID-19 vaccine clinics operated by the County Health Department. Individuals who live or work in the County can walk into the sites or if they prefer, appointments can be booked in advance at mypgc.us/COVIDVaccine. You can also use the County's County Vaccine Locator to find additional vaccination sites operated by pharmacies, hospitals and other healthcare partners.
- City of Bowie The Bowie Senior Center Vaccination Clinic will cease operations on June 30. Second dose vaccinations are available on Sundays and Wednesdays until then. No first dose appointments are being scheduled, though walk-ins may be available. Call City Hall at 301-262-

6200 for more information and watch social media or the city website for walk-in announcements.

Maryland and the Orioles Team Up to Offer Vaccinations at Camden Yards This Weekend

The Orioles next homestand begins Friday, June 18. Not only will the team be welcoming fans for games on Father's Day weekend, they'll also be making it easy for anyone 18+ to get their COVID-19 vaccinations at the stadium.

Vaccinations will be offered at Dempsey's Brew Pub & Restaurant, located along the Eutaw Street promenade. Fans can access Dempsey's through the non-ballpark (East) side of the B&O Warehouse. All adults age 18 and over are eligible to receive a vaccine at one of the six available dates during the homestand, beginning four hours prior to first pitch until approximately one-and-a-half hours after first pitch. The vaccine being offered will be the one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine, which is currently approved for people ages 18 years and over.

All fans age 18 and over who choose to receive the vaccine at Oriole Park will receive a voucher good for two complimentary Lower Level tickets, redeemable for any game through July 11. Fans may redeem their voucher by presenting it at the Main Box Office, located at the north end of the Warehouse by Gate H.

Game tickets are not required to receive a COVID-19 vaccine at Oriole Park. Appointments are encouraged but not required, and walk-ups will be accommodated. Schedule a ballpark appointment by visiting <u>orioles.com/vaccine</u>. Fans must wear a mask during their vaccination appointment. To learn more about the Oriole Park vaccination event and the Orioles' COVID-19 efforts, please visit <u>orioles.com/vaccine</u>.

Vaccines Significantly Reduce Risk of Infection

A <u>recent study</u> of the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) shows vaccines offer significant protection against COVID-19. Between December 2020 and April 2021, nearly 4,000 health care workers, first responders, frontline workers, and other essential workers were evaluated on how vaccination protected them in real-world situations. The study concluded that vaccination offered an unprecedented degree of protection in many areas. Once fully vaccinated, the risk of infection decreased by 91%.

Participants who became infected after being fully or partially vaccinated were more likely to have a milder and shorter illness. People who became sick spent an average of six fewer days sick and two fewer days sick in bed. They also had about a 60% lower risk of developing symptoms at all. The study also suggests that vaccinated people who get COVID-19 are less likely to spread the disease to others. Getting vaccinated is the best way for people to protect themselves and others from COVID-19. Source: Alexandria COVID-19 Update June 14

Senior Grab & Go Meal Giveaway

County Council Member Todd Turner will partner with the City of Bowie to host a "Senior Grab & Go" Meal Giveaway for residents (age 60+) on June 25, 2021. Hours are 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Bowie Senior Center, located at 14900 Health Center Drive, Bowie.

To be eligible for the giveaway, you must <u>register</u> for the event. **The registration deadline is June 21.** Registration can also be taken by phone by calling Evelyn Archie in Council Member Turner's Office at 240-619-9775 or email <u>EJArchie@co.pg.md.us</u>.

Stand Up & Deliver Meals

Saturday, June 19 at 10:00 AM (Groceries)

- First Baptist Church of Highland Park 6801 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD
- Love AME Church at Capitol Heights Elementary School 601 Suffolk Avenue, Capitol Heights

Friday, June 18 at 12:30 AM (Groceries, Vaccinations, Job Fair, Prizes & more)

National Harbor

Sunday, June 20 at 10:00 AM (Groceries)

• Community of Hope AME Church – 3701 Branch Avenue, Temple Hills



Other News

Calendar of Events:

- 6/18 Kids Kaboose at the Railroad Museum, 10:30 a.m.
- 6/20 Fathers and Family Bike Ride, 9 a.m. 12 p.m.
- 6/21 City Council Meeting, 8 p.m.

- 6/25 Wine and Design Event at Belair Mansion, 7 p.m.
- 6/26 Free Community Shredding Event & Styrofoam Recycling, 8 a.m. 2 p.m.
- 6/29 Pollinators 101 Webinar, 3 p.m.
- 6/30 How to De-fossilize Your Homestead Inside & Out Webinar, 12 p.m.
- 6/30 Fairy Tale Fun at Belair Stable, 11 a.m.

Visit www.cityofbowie.org/calendar for details.

Juneteenth

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the end of slavery in the United States. It is an annual recognition of the historic day, June 19, 1865, when enslaved people in Texas learned of their freedom, although the Emancipation Proclamation actually granted freedom two and a half years earlier. Over the years, Juneteenth commemorations were established across the country and have grown into jubilant celebrations of achievement, community and heritage in the Black community.

City of Bowie Juneteenth videos:

- City of Bowie <u>Juneteenth Proclamation</u> (Mayor Timothy Adams)
- The History of Juneteenth (Councilmember Roxy Ndebumadu)
- Juneteenth Read Aloud "Juneteenth Jamboree" (Councilmember Ingrid Harrison)

Learn about what Bowie is doing to recognize Juneteenth by visiting www.cityofbowie.org/Juneteenth.

