



## TOWN OF SHREWSBURY

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### **DAILY REPORT OF CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID-19 IN THE TOWN OF SHREWSBURY**

The Town of Shrewsbury has been notified by the Central Massachusetts Regional Public Health Alliance ([CMRPHA](#)) that additional Shrewsbury residents have tested positive for Coronavirus (COVID-19). Public Health Officials are working closely with the individuals and will notify others that the individuals may have been in contact with. CMRPHA will continue to work with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to ensure any affected residents are properly monitored, quarantined and isolated as each case dictates.

Positive cases in the Town of Shrewsbury as of today, **March 17, 2021: 2,642 (+10)**

Positive cases in the Town of Shrewsbury as last reported, **March 16, 2021: 2,632**

State designation: **Moderate Risk (Yellow) Community** as of **March 11, 2021**

Click [HERE](#) for the daily Interactive Data Dashboard from the MA Department of Public Health

Click [HERE](#) for the Weekly COVID-19 Public Health Report from the MA Department of Public Health

Click [HERE](#) for the Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination Report from the MA Department of Public Health

**📌 Vaccine Info:** Residents in [Phase 1 or Phase 2, Group 1](#) (individuals age 75+ or individuals accompanying a 75+ resident), [Phase 2, Group 2](#) (ages 65+, those with two or more medical conditions, and residents and staff of low income and affordable senior housing) and [K-12 Educators, Child Care Workers and K-12 School Staff](#) are eligible to get the COVID-19 vaccine now. **All residents can preregister** to book an appointment at a mass vaccination site at [mass.gov/COVIDVaccine](https://mass.gov/COVIDVaccine) or dial Mass 2-1-1 for assistance. Residents age 60+ may call the Shrewsbury Senior Center at 508-841-8640 or Mass 2-1-1 for assistance.

Appointments will be offered based on eligibility and available appointments nearby. It is expected that more sites will come online as part of the preregistration process in April.

Timeline for remaining groups:

- March 22<sup>nd</sup>: Residents 60+ and [certain workers](#)
- April 5<sup>th</sup>: Residents 55+ and residents with one [certain medical condition](#)
- April 19<sup>th</sup>: General public ages 16 years of age and older

The full timeline is available at [mass.gov/COVIDVaccinePhases](https://mass.gov/COVIDVaccinePhases). The Administration has received assurances from the federal government that an increased vaccine supply will be available to states soon. Depending on supply, it could take weeks for people to be notified that an appointment is available at a mass vaccination site.

## **Stop the Spread!**

 [Wear a mask.](#)

 [Wash your hands.](#)

 [Keep your distance.](#)

 [Clean & Disinfect frequently touched surfaces.](#)

 [Stay home if you are sick or a household member is sick or waiting for test results.](#)

 [Get tested.](#)

The Town is doing everything it can from a public health and public safety standpoint to reduce the spread and ensure the continued operations of all essential services. The Commonwealth has launched “Stop the Spread”, a strategic testing program in communities across Massachusetts that have continued to see a higher number of residents testing positive for COVID-19 and is providing [free testing](#).

The Town of Shrewsbury is committed to keeping the public informed during this period of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The Town will report positive cases each weekday by 4:30PM\*. Weekend cases and vaccination data will be included in the Monday release. The Town Manager's Office will update the public with any new developments or changes in Town operations including confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Shrewsbury, in the following order:

1. [Website Newsflash](#) (visit <https://shrewsburyma.gov/list.aspx> to subscribe)
2. [Alert for COVID-19 Page](#) (visit <https://shrewsburyma.gov/list.aspx> to subscribe)
3. [Cases Tab on COVID-19 Page](#)
4. Social Media Accounts ([Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#))

Additionally, The Worcester City Manager Edward M Augustus will hold weekly press briefings on Thursday evenings in which Shrewsbury's positive cases will also be reported at that time. The weekly press briefings can be streamed live here: <http://www.worcesterma.gov/video-on-demand> \*Updates *will not* be provided if there are no new developments.

**General Coronavirus Information:** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>  
As a reminder, the Town of Shrewsbury is part of the coalition of the seven municipalities in the Central Massachusetts Regional Public Health Alliance ([CMRPHA](#)).

A COVID-19 information line has been established for Shrewsbury Residents to use at [508-799-1019](tel:508-799-1019). The line provides facts and information about COVID-19, how to stop the spread, what to do if someone is experiencing symptoms and quarantine information. The line will be available in multiple languages. If you have a medical emergency, please dial 911 and not the number above.

If you would like to reach out via email, you may do so at [Health@worcesterma.gov](mailto:Health@worcesterma.gov) , however, please note that this email is monitored Monday through Friday-8:30 AM to 5:00PM. Due to the high volume of COVID-19 inquiries, you may expect a response back within 1-2 business days.