COVID-19 TIMELINE

These are unprecedented and challenging times for cities and towns across New Hampshire. The New Hampshire Municipal Association board and staff are working to support our member municipalities by providing you with the best information and advice available on the response to COVID-19.

**MARCH**

- **March 2**
  - COVID-19 arrives in New Hampshire

- **March 13**
  - NHMA issue guidance on town meeting postponement and COVID-19

- **March 16**
  - NHMA issues guidance on COVID-19 and Right-to-Know Law

- **March 18**
  - NHMA issues guidance for public meetings, town meeting and elections

- **March 20**
  - NHMA coordinates “Municipalities Becoming Remote Organizations” webinar for members hosted by Mainstay Technologies

**APRIL**

- **April 1**
  - Emergency Order #23—temporary modifications of municipal and local government statutory requirements addressing nearly all provisions advocated for in NHMA’s March 20th letter
  - Emergency Order #23—prohibiting scheduled gathering of 10 or more attendees

- **April 4**
  - Emergency Order #26—extending emergency orders #2, 5, and 16

- **April 9**
  - NHMA issues guidance regarding employment taxes under CARES Act
  - NHMA issues guidance regarding moratorium on issuing tax deeds

- **April 14**
  - NHMA launches statewide COVID-19 Financial Impact Survey

- **April 17**
  - NHMA’s Executive Director Margaret Byrnes testifies before the Governor’s Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR)

**MAY**

- **May 1**
  - Emergency Order #40—extending and modifying closure of non-essential businesses
  - Governor’s Economic Reopening Task Force issues COVID-19 Reopening Guidance

- **May 4**
  - Governor allocates $32 million of CARES Act funds for municipal relief
  - Governors’ Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery issues $32 million to municipalities to cover eligible COVID-19–related expenses

- **May 7**
  - NHMA submits letter to Select Committee on 2020 Emergency Election Support

- **May 8**
  - NHMA coordinates municipal letter to US House of Representatives leadership calling for robust local funding in next COVID-19 response package

- **May 13**
  - NHMA issues guidance regarding COVID-19 Municipal Relief Fund FAQs

- **May 18**
  - NHMA issues guidance regarding enforcement of Stay-at-Home and Re-opening

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NHMA continues to advocate for cities and towns at the state and federal levels, asking questions about issues of concerns to local municipalities, and getting answers and guidance for members. During this unprecedented time, NHMA staff stands ready to assist your city or town, connecting you to essential resources, information, and the latest news at www.nhmunicipal.org.

In partnership with the Governor’s Office, our congressional delegation, the New Hampshire Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Primex, HealthTrust, and federal agencies, NHMA continues to provide local officials the information need to protect their municipalities and operations.