



## Update on COVID-19 June 25, 2020

### MESSAGE FROM MAYOR RICK CROSS:

I remain committed to keeping you up to date on changes relating to COVID-19 that impact our community. Our state and our county continue to experience increases in numbers of positive cases, hospitalizations, as well as an increased percentage of cases vs. total tests being given. These indications have caused Governor Cooper to issue Executive Order 147 and take the following actions across the State of North Carolina:

- Extend the current Phase 2 re-opening plan (which was originally set to expire this Friday June 26) until 5:00 pm on July 17.
- Include a state-wide requirement that face coverings be worn in public spaces, whether inside or outside, where physical distancing of 6 feet is not possible. This includes but is not limited to:

#### Retail Businesses

- Retail businesses must have all workers wear face coverings.
- Retail businesses must also have all customers wear face coverings when they are inside the establishment and may be within 6 feet of another person, unless the customer comes under an exception identified in the order.
- If a customer states that an exception applies, the retailer should try to make an accommodation. The business may choose to provide curbside service, provide home delivery, allow the customer to enter without a face covering or use some other reasonable measure to deliver goods.

#### Restaurants

- Restaurants must have all workers wear face coverings.
- Restaurants must also have all customers wear face coverings when not at their table, unless the customer comes under an exception identified in the order.

For more information, click on:

[Executive Order No. 147](#) or [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services (NCDHHS) continues to remind us to adhere to the **3 “W”s**:

**W**ear a face covering ([NCDHHS Guidance on Face Coverings](#))

**W**ait at least 6 feet apart. Avoid close contact.

**W**ash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer.

We continue to work with our county and state partners, our local businesses, and you, our residents, to ensure a safe and timely recovery for our community.

For those of you who have reached out to me recently, THANK YOU. I appreciate it. I will be continuing to reach out across our town, and I want to hear from you. You can reach me at [rcross@townofbr.com](mailto:rcross@townofbr.com) or 336-391-1992.

We are in this together, and together we will emerge stronger.  
- Rick Cross

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