



Town of
North Castle Westchester County, NY
Supervisor Michael J. Schiliro

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

As I'm sure you have seen on the news, the virus is spreading at an increasing rate. Our Behaviors will Flatten the Curve. **Please Please Please continue to Model Good Behavior**. As always, continue to watch the news for info and check the [Town](#), [Federal](#), and [Governor's](#) websites for info.

SOCIAL DISTANCING is still the phrase of the day! North Castle **MUST** continue to contribute to this effort. As the experts have been stating, complacency is one of our biggest dangers in preventing the spread from spiraling out of control, **so we're calling on all our young adults to do your part as well**. Just yesterday, [positive cases increased 44%](#) in the U.S. See pic below of creative social distancing at IBM park!



NEW INFO:

- **Masks Urgently Needed!!:** If you have unused masks to donate, I have a bin on my front lawn, 14 Orchard Drive (first house on right off Main St). Wear gloves, take top off, leave masks. That's it. One of our dedicated resident doctors is conducting active testing and desperately needs masks - she will be distributing to the front-line. Thank you!!
- **Seniors: "We Are Alone-Together".** We all know many of our neighbors and friends. Call them (you may have to use the old fashioned white pages!) and see if they need anything. Maybe they just need conversation. And if you're the one who is alone, call your neighbors or friends, for help with groceries or just conversation. And if you have no one to call, call or email us. We'll call you and talk or find a neighbor who will.
- **Small Business Saturdays** (and every other day): Westchester County is promoting safe commerce. Check the bottom of this email for specific suggestions and help our local merchants when you can!
- **Small Business Help:** Here are several links for those businesses that need financial help: [SBA](#) (Small Business Administration), [Community Capital](#).
- **Pray for the Fusco family in NJ:** [Truly tragic](#). They've lost 4 family members to the virus already. Pray for them.
- **Sign Language:** A fun distraction. This may be helpful as we move forward. My family did it this morning. Check out this [video link](#).

- **White Plains Hospital Testing:** White Plains Hospital has established a secure testing site in Armonk, at their Business Park location. We thank the dedicated men and women who are staffing this location to help all of us. This is not a random drive-up site. You **must have an appointment through White Plains Hospital**.
- **North Castle Cases:** NYS establishes specific protocols via each county. We are advised confidentially. We can report that we have been advised that there are 4 positive cases in North Castle. That is all that we can and will report, thus please understand and appreciate that due to confidentiality laws, emails to us asking for any further info regarding details will not be responded to.

REPEAT INFO: Also, [click here](#) for prior emails from us.

- **Social Distancing:** Common sense still prevails. Maintain your 6 feet distance. And please separate "need" from "want". If you do not need to go somewhere, don't go, simple decision. Keep the Snow Day analogy front and center: Don't treat this like a Snow Day. In addition, **let us all help protect those more vulnerable**: You may be very healthy and think you can't get sick or can heal, but you still might spread to someone who cannot handle it. Please do not aid this virus in spreading!
- **If you think you might be sick:** The County number is (888) 364-3065. They walk you through questions, and progress from there. Do not visit your doctor or the hospital first, just call the number or call your doctor.
- **Groceries:** Shop safely, bring gloves and wipes if needed, and practice self-distancing.
 - Stop & Shop** in North White Plains is reserving 6:00 AM-7:30 AM for seniors 60+ and those that are at higher risk ([click here](#)).
 - DeCicco & Sons** in Armonk hands out gloves and wipes, insures proper "distance-shopping", maintains a static # of shoppers at any one time, is reserving 8-8:30 AM every morning for Senior customers and immunocompromised families, and they just installed partitions between check-out lanes and between the cashier and shopper.
- **Restaurants, Bars, etc.:** As the Governors of CT/NY/NJ announced additional mandatory restrictions, our suggestions remain: Be cautious, use common sense, order take out if you want. And gift certificates are a great idea if you want to help our local food establishments to use on a later date, but will provide them revenue now.
- **Town Offices and Services:** [Check out website](#). Our employees are doing a great job of maintaining services despite the impediments of this emergency.
- **North Castle Library:** As per our last email, the North Castle Library website has terrific offerings. [Click here](#) to check it out.
- **Outdoor Activities:** As per our last email, you can get fresh air and still practice social distancing. Hiking, walking, etc. are all ok if you are healthy, but you must practice social distancing, even with your dogs. Our parks and trails are open, but you cannot use the playground equipment!!

Small Business Saturday

Every Saturday going forward has been designated "Small Business Saturday" in the County. Whether they are sponsoring a little league team or providing food for a community event, small businesses are at the heart of our communities. See below for ways to support local businesses.

We need to support small businesses for the next two or three months to protect our local economies. We urge everyone to log on to their local business group's website or social media page to get details about which local merchants are ready to serve the public safely.

Ways to Support Local Businesses

Purchase Gift Cards / Certificates: Put money in the business now and safely use their services/goods later.

Use the New Services Businesses are Implementing: Is your favorite restaurant now delivering or offering curbside pickup? Is your gym offering virtual training? Businesses are quickly coming up with ways they can still serve you.

Tip More Generously: Tip-dependent workers are putting themselves at risk and are paid the least. Keep that in mind when using takeout and delivery services.

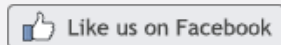
Spread the Word: Now is the time to use social media to spread the word about great local businesses, products and services. Helping your favorite business to gain a few new customers can go a long way!

Shop Online: Many local businesses have online shopping options that you may not know about. Others are putting these options in place. If you need something, check in with local businesses before you go elsewhere.

We're all in this together. We and the Town Board continue to urge you to stay safe, be smart, practice social distancing, and use common sense. We will all get through this together. And Be Decent and Civil to each other, this is new territory for all of us.

Sincerely,
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Give us a call today!