



Warren C. Evans
Wayne County Executive

COVID-19 OUTBREAK

COVID-19 BRIEFING - 221.1

DECEMBER 21, 2020

For Operational Period: December 18-20, 2020

WORLDWIDE

77,267,837 Cases

1,701,668 Deaths

UNITED STATES

18,267,579 Cases

324,869 Deaths

MICHIGAN

496,056 Cases

12,074 Deaths

OUT-WAYNE COUNTY

51,251 Cases

1,660 Deaths

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Officials announced Saturday (Dec. 19) that distribution of the Moderna coronavirus vaccine will begin this weekend after it was approved by the FDA. "Distribution of Moderna vaccine has already begun," Gen. Gustavo Perna, chief operating officer of Operation Warp Speed, the administration's effort to advance vaccine development and distribution, said during a briefing. —**The Hill**
- On Dec. 18, 2020 Wayne County began administering the COVID-19 vaccine to Phase 1A front-line health care workers to help keep our communities safe and begin the process of ending this terrible pandemic. Wayne County Executive Warren C. Evans has stated that this is a milestone towards ending the pandemic as vaccinations begin for those at highest risk. —**Wayne County**
- Benny Napoleon, the sheriff of Michigan's largest county and a former Detroit police chief, died Thursday (Dec. 17) after spending weeks in the hospital with COVID-19, his family said. Napoleon, 65, died at Henry Ford Hospital with family present, daughter Tiffani Jackson said. "Remember his generosity, integrity and faithfulness as a public servant for over 45 years," said Tiffani. —**CBS News**
- MDHHS updated its [epidemic order](#) to allow indoor activities where Michiganders can remain masked, as this has been scientifically shown to slow the virus. This includes in-person learning at high schools and indoor entertainment venues. Casinos, bowling centers and movie theatres will be allowed to reopen with total capacity capped at 100; food and drink concessions closed; and social distancing requirements in place. The new order is effective Monday, Dec. 21 and will last until Friday, Jan. 15. —**Michigan.gov**

ACTIONS TAKEN

- The Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHOC) is at FULL ACTIVATION.

USEFUL RESOURCES

[Holiday Safety](#)

[Find a Testing Site Near You](#)

[Return to School Roadmap](#)

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[Wayne County](#)

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[MDHHS Epidemic Orders](#)

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Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 and TTY 1-800-787-3224

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