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**Supreme Court of the United States**

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KEVIN LINDKE,

*Petitioner,*

v.

JAMES R. FREED,

*Respondent.*

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*ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE  
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT*

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Under the City Charter Mr. Freed serves as City Manager, Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Port Huron, MI

At the direction of the Mayor and City Cou... [See More](#)

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They Mayor and Council took swift action to affirm Administrative Directives halting water shutoff's, delaying income tax deadlines, creating drive-thru lanes for downtown businesses and the deployment of comprehensive mitigation measure for City operations. If need be, we will utilize new technology to host virtual public meetings that will include public input and observation.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/.../local-gov-meet.../2903310001/>



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**Local gov. gets creative to hold public meetings, or cancels them, amid coronavirus outbreak**

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St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release  
St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #6

**Overall Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by State and County**

Michigan is reporting 1,791 confirmed cases, including 24 deaths. St. Clair County remains at eight (8) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 33 people under investigation and monitoring 59 people which includes travelers and contacts to suspect and confirmed cases.

**Addressing Common Community Concerns**

1. For more information regarding whether you are considered an essential worker or not, first ask your employer. Some employers may also provide letters for essential employees. If you receive a letter, keep it in your vehicle however, people will not be stopped by law enforcement to provide proof. For guidance on essential workforce, visit [www.cisa.gov](http://www.cisa.gov) or e-mail [CISA.CAT@cisa.dhs.gov](mailto:CISA.CAT@cisa.dhs.gov).
2. Due to the heavy volume of testing, results may not be available for 10 business days or longer. Results can be obtained from the testing facility. The St. Clair County Health Department does not have access to all of the results.

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**Dennis D Smith** Mr Freed , people need to be wearing face mask to their regular shopping , but none are available. All clerks also need to be wearing face masks if we are going to win this. Please help. Thank you

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**Blair Kellerman** So even if you get tested by some miracle the results take up to 10 days? Why bother!?

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**James Freed**  
3 hrs ·

I feel like such a fool for ever buying store bought toys. All she wanted was big boxes. Hope everyone is making the most of family time! Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives!



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Household items pacify my little guy...spatulas, measuring cups, spoons...less is more in our household!

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Our kids lived boxes, wooden spoons, canning jar rings and soft rubber balls. Oh the money we could have saved on all those legoes, Fischer- price and Mattel!

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With technology today there's really nothing I can't do from my home office that is done at my main office. Perhaps, less toddler yelling...Stay home. Stay Safe. Save lives.

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James Freed

April Malick, the key part is lowering into the crib with pacy and blanky position undisturbed.

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St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #5

As of 3-23-20 at 4:00pm, the State of Michigan is reporting 1,328 confirmed cases, including 15 deaths. St. Clair County is now reporting eight (8) confirmed cases. The new case is a 68 y/o male, hospitalized, with no travel history. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 35 suspect cases and monitoring 63 people which includes travelers and contacts to suspect and confirmed cases.

Justin Westmiller, St. Clair County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director stated, "It is extremely important that our community heed the governor's order to "stay at home, stay safe." This will help to halt the transmission of COVID-19 and allow everyone to return to a normal way of life much sooner. Essential workers are still needed for the health, safety and security of our county.

The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) continues interagency coordination, information sharing, decision making and response planning efforts. The EOC will remain active throughout the COVID-19 public health emergency.

For further information visit: [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus); [michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://michigan.gov/coronavirus); or [scchealth.co](https://scchealth.co). A general St. Clair County COVID-19 Informational Hotline is available Monday through Friday, (810) 966-4163, 8:00am-4:30pm or email questions to [covid19@stclaircounty.org](mailto:covid19@stclaircounty.org). The State of Michigan hotline is 1-888-535-6136 and is operational daily 8:00am – 5:00pm or email questions to [COVID19@michigan.gov](mailto:COVID19@michigan.gov).

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Jenny Wallis Houck

Good evening James Freed. I was wondering where you got the sign from. We're thinking of adding one to our subdivision park in Shorewood Forrest in Fort Gratiot. Thank you!

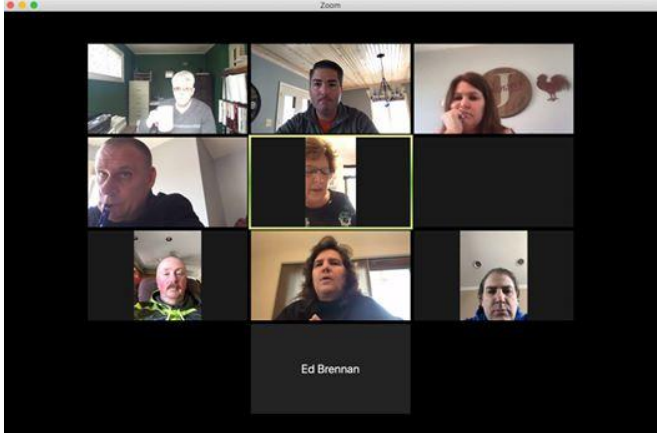
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James Freed

March 22 at 5:04 PM ·

Today, I held another virtual department head meeting with senior leadership. Although we are working apart, we are still working together to ensure Police, Fire, Water, Sewer, Parks and other essential services continue to be delivered.



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My name is Bud Freed. I wanted to help my neighbors during this time of Corona Virus Quarantine. I didn't know what I could do, but I got an idea. I am fortunate that I work outside of homes, I service. I'm out and about all day. If you need me to pick something up for you, just put a list of items you need under the bottle and place it on your porch. Give me a call and let me know it's there. I'll get your items and leave them on the porch. That simple. Don't drink the Coke until you can celebrate when this whole thing is over. Better yet, come over and we'll celebrate together. Keep well!

Bud and Jane Freed


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Debbie Franklin Luff

I love your parents and they are always kind and also a little crazy just like Allen and I. Good job Bud and Jane!

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Carol Warwick

Not crazy at all...very kind, inventive and generous!

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March 21 at 5:21 PM ·

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St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #3

Daily updates on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-21-20 at 4:00pm, according to the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS), there are 787 confirmed cases, including five deaths in Michigan. St. Clair County remains at seven (7) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 52 people under investigation, along with 73 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated, "We know these are uncertain times and it is important to rely on accurate sources of information. Be aware of the sources you follow, as they may not be valid. When in doubt, use recommendations put in place by the CDC, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and the St. Clair County Health Department".

For further information visit: [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus); [michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://michigan.gov/coronavirus); or [scchealth.co](https://scchealth.co). A general St. Clair County COVID-19 Informational Hotline is available Monday through Friday, (810) 966-4163, 8:00am-4:30pm or email questions to [covid19@stclaircounty.org](mailto:covid19@stclaircounty.org). The State of Michigan hotline is 1-888-535-6136 and is operational daily 8:00am – 5:00pm or email questions to [COVID19@michigan.gov](mailto:COVID19@michigan.gov).

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St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #2

Daily updates on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-20-20 at 4:00pm, according to the State of Michigan, the number of confirmed coronavirus cases reaches 549 in Michigan. Three people who have died from the virus, two in Detroit and one in Wayne County. Out of those numbers, St. Clair County has a total of seven (7) confirmed positive cases reported to the St. Clair County Health Department. No additional confirmed cases. We are monitoring 51 people under investigation, along with 76 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated, "This unparalleled event is continuing to unfold and public health officials are working on all aspects. The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center is fully operational, including partners from Emergency Management, public health, hospitals, law enforcement, Tri-hospital EMS, fire, city, county government and more working to protect the health and wellbeing of our community."

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Stacie Dimick

Something that may be helpful for tracking where/who you have been in contact with is to check your Google timeline. If you have your "location history" turned on, the Google Timeline will show where you have travelled.

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James Freed

March 20 at 3:26 PM ·

The City of Port Huron Parks & Recreation Department is launching innovative virtual recreation programs to help keep our residents and kids active. Be sure to take advantage of this innovative programming.

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St. Clair County COVID-19 Daily Media Updates

Begin March 19 at 4:00 pm

Beginning Thursday, March 19, at 4:00 pm, a daily media COVID-19 update will be provided through a media release. Weekend updates will be provided as needed.

This is necessary to streamline media requests on planning and response activities, including more accurate and thorough information such as cases or changed guidance.

These updates will also be posted on the St. Clair County Health Department website [www.scchealth.co](http://www.scchealth.co).

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March 19 at 1:35 PM ·

Mayor Repp and I have been working with the St Clair County Emergency Operations Center as our community prepares and deploys resources to confront the Coronavirus Emergency. Public Safety Officials are in constant communication with the various stakeholders in the community, including our two hospitals, EMS and Central Dispatch. We have conducted numerous virtual briefings with various resources as we continue to navigate this crisis. We have made available City facilities a... [See More](#)



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Pamela D Long

Thank you for staying in touch with local official's who have the information necessary to get through this awful situation. And for getting it out to those in the community. We are all trying to navigate something new and appreciate what you are doing to help. Thank you.

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Pat Patterson


James Freed In an effort to be of service and help the city during this difficult time, if there is anything you can think(outside of leading our non-profit) of where I can be of assistance, or recruit a small team to help, please let me know

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James Freed

March 19 at 12:07 PM ·

Mayor Repp ordered some takeout for us today before a series of virtual briefings we participating in. Be sure to support our [Downtown Port Huron](#) small businesses!



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Jason Runge

How much longer will we be expected to go on working while clearly there is no control of the spread of this virus? [James Freed](#) what is the city's plan for the people who live here. Not trying to be rude just simply wanting answers. It's been proven the only way to stop spreading this is for people to stay at home yet a lot of us are still told we have to come to work.

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Jasmyn Ranay

Your city manager isn't elected. He's appointed so he isn't voted in. Also, our mayor and city council aren't paid a yearly or hourly salary. They literally make roughly 50\$ per council meeting they attend. The mayor makes \$60.

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Judy Chargot

God bless you and thank you for the uplifting words!!!

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Candice Turck Stoughton

I love that passage. So true with how we're living right now.

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James Freed

March 18 at 7:07 PM ·

The coronavirus outbreak is still in its early stages in our region, and there is tremendous uncertainty over how the virus will impact our community now and in the weeks and months that follow.

The [Community Foundation of St. Clair County](#) is trusted place for giving, we want to be able to provide the public a safe place to make a donation for critical and future coronavirus responses. [Learn more:http://www.stclairfoundation.org/.../covid\\_19\\_thumbcoast\\_regi...](#)

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James Freed

Nina Wilson Kinney we have a drive thru at Lake Huron.

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March 17 at 6:18 PM ·

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Beautiful! What is being done for our homeless/ most vulnerable citizens? I'm so sry for putting this here. It just worries me. Meantime. Enjoy that baby! ... See More

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Get the shovel and pails we're going to the beach! Lol.



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James Freed

March 16 at 3:00 PM ·

We have now established drive-thru/pick-up zones throughout [Downtown Port Huron](#) so that you can continue to support your local small businesses.



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**Lighthouse Lawn Care** What businesses are allowed to continue to work? Are we trying to keep the number of people in a business below a target number?

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**Kris Futryk** A great example of a community working together!

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March 16 at 1:55 PM ·

"When we have an at-risk population, we can't let red tape and bureaucracy get in the way. I am grateful that we have a school superintendent who blazed through and cut red tape and didn't let process get in the way of delivering results for our students."

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Coronavirus: Port Huron Schools to feed all students through pandemic


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March 16 at 12:17 PM ·

Port Huron Schools Superintendent Jamie Cain and I held a press conference to announce a meal program for EVERY child in our community. No matter what school you go to, public, charter, private or homeschool, it doesn't matter. Very proud of our schools for stepping up and taking care of our children and families who may face food insecurity.

There will be eight pickup locations and delivery for those who cannot get to the sites. Two meals a day for seven days available. That's 14 meals a week. 3,000 meals have already been delivered. We expect that demand to rise .



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you so much!


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Christina Joy

Way to step up and embrace our community during such a time of uncertainty! Much respect-


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James Freed

March 16 at 10:02 AM ·

Administrative Directive issued this morning regarding drive-thru/pickup lanes.



City of Port Huron

Office of the City Manager, Chief Administrative Officer

To: Director of Public Works

From: James R. Freed, City Manager, CAO

Cc: Mayor and Council


Date: March 16, 2020

Re: Administrative Directive Drive Thru/Pickup Lanes Setup

Director Wittler,

The Governor has issued an Executive Order to close all restaurants and bars effective at 3pm today. However, the Executive Order does allow these restaurants and bars to remain open for takeout services. With that said, I am directing the Public Works to begin deploying cones and barrels in front of downtown businesses to create drive-thru/pickup lanes in front of restaurants and bars. This will allow more capacity and residents to still patronize these important small businesses.

IT IS SO ORDERED,



James R. Freed  
City Manager  
Chief Administrative Officer


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Jay Minard

Great idea but I'm a little concerned about implementation. Could be chaotic if the intent isn't very obvious.

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Mindy Bennert-Duckworth

Thank you James for looking out for the working class

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James Freed

March 15 at 10:27 PM ·

It's been a crazy week or so. I've learned a lot and faced decisions I never pondered I'd need to make. How quickly we realize how small our world is. Maybe we took for granted grocery shopping, seeing friends at a local pub or at church on Sunday. Perhaps we forgot how much we love each other and need each other...This uncertain time will pass, as sure as the changing of seasons. However, that appreciation of being together, fellowshiping and loving each other, lets make sure that doesn't.


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Rachael Farquhar

Can you allow city residents to have chickens? Since eggs are hard to get in stores now.

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Author

James Freed

Rachael Farquhar you can, call the Planning Dept for details.

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Don Campbell

Very well said! PH is very lucky for having such a forward thinking City Manager. Keep up the good work and best of wishes going forward with the many challenges headed your way.

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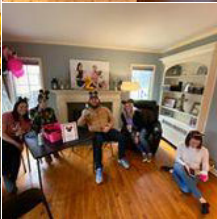



James Freed

March 14 at 5:39 PM ·

Happy 2nd Birthday, Lucy!





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Elia Hussain

Happy birthday to Lucy! She is so adorable.

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Lu Andersen

Happy Birthday, Lucy dear, happy wishes for you all year!

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James Freed

March 13 at 1:39 PM ·

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James Freed

March 13 at 8:56 AM ·



City of Port Huron

Office of the City Manager, Chief Administrative Officer

To: Director of Finance and City Treasurer

From: James R. Freed, City Manager, CAO

Ce: Mayor and Council


Date: March 13, 2020

Re: Administrative Directive Water Shutoffs

Director Brennan and Treasurer Caryl,

In light of the potential threat of the COVID-19 Virus, I hereby direct that effective immediately no water shutoffs should occur in the City for a duration of 30 days. At that point I will reassess my Directive.

IT IS SO ORDERED,



James R. Freed  
City Manager  
Chief Administrative Officer

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Katie Maison

What about people who's water is off already? Are they being turned back on??

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James Freed

Katie Maison yes

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March 12 at 6:48 PM ·

The new case of coronavirus is an individual in St. Clair County. Not a City resident. We anticipated this. We are prepared.

<https://www.craigslist.com/.../michigan-has-third-patient-...>



## Michigan has third patient test positive for coronavirus

Michigan health officials Thursday announced a third patient has tested...

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**Todd Carmody** Is it a PH Resident or somewhere else in the County?

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**Joe Stockwell** I just wish they wernt so damn secretive regarding the city these people are located in. It could make a huge difference in the spread of it.

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James Freed

March 12 at 5:37 PM ·


A held a roundtable with regional media today to discuss the mitigation measures we have taken.

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Port Huron city manager discusses coronavirus precautions

Port Huron City Manager James Freed held a media briefing Thursday...

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Erin Babcock Martin

We will still have people coming to the six floor of the MOC since they need their state assistance or unemployment income.

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James Freed

March 12 at 12:54 PM ·

There is no intention on our part to overreact to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). However, it's incumbent upon your local officials to plan for the potential community transmission of COVID-19 and to take the necessary precautions to protect our residents and staff, and to take the necessary actions to slow the transmission of this virus.

An informational Page can be found here: [https://www.porthuron.org/alert\\_detail.php](https://www.porthuron.org/alert_detail.php)  
<https://www.thetimesherald.com/.../city-canceling.../5031942002/>



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Port Huron canceling large McMorran events, discouraging MOC visits amid COVID-19 spread


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March 11 at 7:51 PM

"Basically, what they did is they expended a huge amount of money not knowing whether they were going to be able to recover the money because they put the safety of the residents in that area first." -City Attorney Todd Shoudy

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/.../city-asks-fina.../5022710002/>



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City asks for final judgment in Chicory lawsuit

The city's attorney said they hoped to recover the \$472,300 cleanup costs...

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James Freed

March 11 at 6:50 PM ·

Mayor Repp and I had a great time this evening talking with community stakeholders at our "Partners at the Pub" event. We outlined the adopted annual Mayor & Council and Administration Goals for fiscal year 2020-21. Lots of big projects ahead that will require a collaborative community effort to achieve! Thank you [Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce](#) for hosting this event with us!



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Todd Carmody

I would love to hear more about the information that was presented


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Thelma Castillo

Great event and very informative!


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James Freed

March 10 at 5:05 PM ·

Mayor Pauline Repp, Port Huron joined fellow municipal leaders from across our state this week in Washington D.C. to lobby federal officials on a host of local issues. She was joined by the Michigan Municipal League and the National League of Cities. Mayor Repp is the President of the Michigan Association of Mayors.




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Laurie Irwin

Great mayor!!

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Kevin Hrit

Good group!

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March 9 at 2:15 PM ·

All I wanted for my birthday today was to take a walk with these two.

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Lu Andersen

Lovely way to enjoy your birthday. Bet you erre not the only one having a good time!

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Janet Raab Cross

Happy birthday! She is a cutie and getting so big!

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James Freed

March 8 at 10:37 PM ·

Matt Fernandez was the entrepreneur-in-residence at the Underground, a co-working space and business incubator in [Downtown Port Huron](#). A serial entrepreneur, he was the coach for those launching or thinking about launching startup companies.

Today, he's back to being an entrepreneur, himself, having launched North Coast Golf Co. LLC last May to sell high-quality golf gloves and other golf accessories.

<https://www.crainsdetroit.com/.../entrepreneur-finds-niche-go...>



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A year ago, Matt Fernandez was the entrepreneur-in-residence at the...


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James Freed is at Optimist Park, Port Huron, Mi.

March 8 at 2:46 PM · Port Huron ·

Awesome afternoon at Optimist Park!



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**Helen Wisner Hatch-Rees** Lovely Spring day to visit a playground. Sweet little girl.

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**Beverly Littlewalker** Same park/new look - I grew up in this park. Thank you for sharing this picture.

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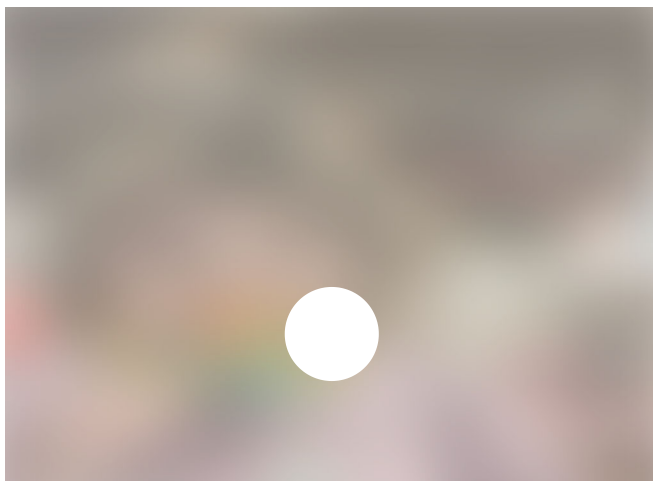
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James Freed

March 6 at 8:23 PM ·

Friday night exploring Cracker Barrel.



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


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 **Betty Child** Almost three and oh so adorable!

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 **Lorri Jansma** Little Lucy is so adorable

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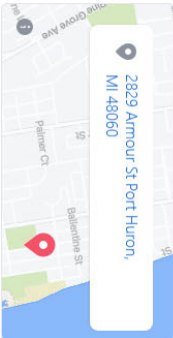


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Come on Paul, it's time to sprout! Share how your sprouting kit is coming along plus any other pictures of you and the goodies we delivered this week. We would love to feature you next on our social media post.

Quick shout out to our partner in this program [Community Foundation of St. Clair County](#)

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As construction, public infrastructure projects, home sales and manufacturing reopen, City employees that serve those vital industries are essential and must return to on-site service to ensure smooth operations for our economic recovery. We take the safety of our people seriously and deployed the most comprehensive Return to Work Plan in the region.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/05/18/port-huron-employees-return-work-in-offices/5195213002/>

Updated May 18, 2020, 6:55 PM

May 18, 2020, 6:55 PM



Our Hosta's are coming in great this year!

May 16, 2020, 3:16 PM





It's planting time in Michigan!

May 12, 2020, 7:42 PM





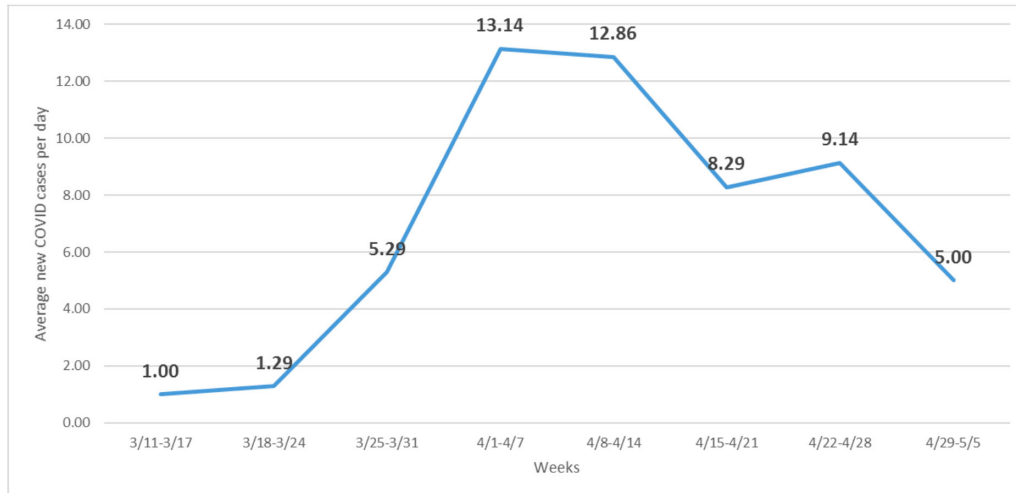
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### St. Clair County COVID-19 Data:

Average COVID-19 Cases per day by week\*\*



Average COVID-19 Cases per day by week: represents the average number of new cases for each day of the specified week.

(i.e. 3/11-317 had a total of 7 cases, thus the total was divided by 7 days to obtain an average of 1 case per day for the week of 3/11-3/17)

\*Cases are based on referral date from MDSS system

\*This report is provisional and subject to change. As public health investigations of individual cases continue, there will be corrections to the status and details of referred cases that result in changes to this report.

More good news for our community! The sacrifices you and your families have made are making a big impact.

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May 7, 2020, 6:01 PM



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May 7, 2020, 5:38 PM





James Freed

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Drive-in prayer service today for National Day of Prayer at the McMorran Place Sports & Entertainment Center North Parking Lot. You can listen on the radio at 90.7FM

May 7, 2020, 12:21 PM

Great to talk with @[1385752465:2048:Paul Miller] on the @[301761831307:274:WPHM Radio] Morning Show: <https://www.wphm.net/episode/may-5-james-freed-2/>  
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To All The First Responders,  
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Wednesday, May 6th

2 p.m.—6 p.m.

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This process disinfects and sanitizes your vehicle from COVID-19. Must present work ID  
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(\*touchable surfaces will be disinfected with an EPA registered product)

Call (866) 452-7847 For more information

We want to help those frontline workers out there. Please share and let them know about this opportunity.

May 4, 2020, 9:12 PM

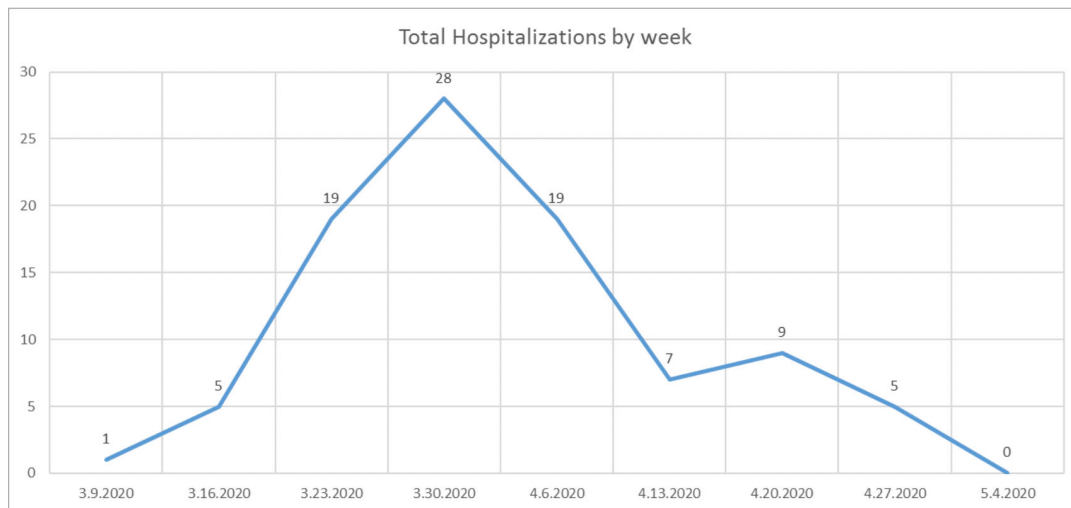
We have received more than 1,000 written requests via email and 500 packets were picked up in person. Of that thousand requests, 30% of those interested don't live in the city. We are working on a way to fulfill those requests as well. Seeds are being mailed this week for City residents.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/05/04/port-huron-looking-ways-expand-meet-demand-sprouts-program/3041801001/>

Updated May 4, 2020, 6:56 PM

May 4, 2020, 6:56 PM

## Weekly Numbers



Good news: This is the total hospitalization numbers. Note, the last week isn't completed and therefore data has not been entered. It is not zero, but as of this afternoon it was only 3.

May 4, 2020, 5:53 PM





Over the course of the last month I have directed the reduction of a substantial amount of City operations. We have reduced staffing and imposed a hiring freeze, which included scores of seasonal workers. We are now beginning furloughs. All of this is in response to the financial impacts of COVID-19.  
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May 3, 2020, 6:21 PM



Awesome evening on the gorgeous shores of Lake Huron at the historic Fort Gratiot Lighthouse.  
 #puremichigan #porthuron Pure Michigan

May 2, 2020, 6:24 PM



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Yard work before play. I have a great foreman on the job with me.

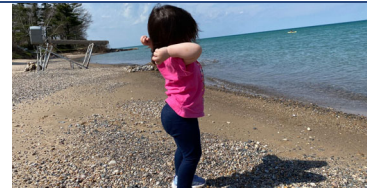
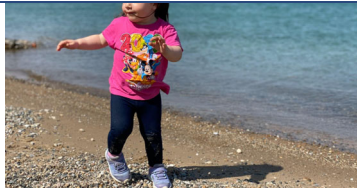
Yard work before play. I have a great foreman on the job with me.

May 2, 2020, 4:45 PM



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A Pure Michigan #PortHuron afternoon!

May 2, 2020, 4:13 PM



Mayor Repp and Council practiced social distancing to hear and act upon the People's business and to hear a report from our Health Director on the COVID-19 crisis. Councilmember's Worden and Harris are slightly out of view because the spacing requirements put them off to the left and right. Our Council Chambers allow for live tv and YouTube Broadcasts. You can watch their work here:  
<https://youtu.be/DR9FXpdIMLw>

May 1, 2020, 8:58 PM



These 12 years as a City Manager have brought moments I could not foresee and will not forget.

Apr 27, 2020, 9:44 PM





This is Dr. Annette Mercatante. She's the Director of our Health Department, and her team has been leading our County's COVID-19 response. She's St Clair County's version of Dr Anthony Fauci...Dr. Mercatante has been a titanic force for good these last few weeks working tirelessly and selflessly. She's a true hero. Every resident of our county should know who she is.

Apr 27, 2020, 9:16 PM





James Freed

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Winston has taken over the high ground/ottoman for safe refuge. This is something new over the last few days.

Apr 26, 2020, 6:46 PM



Ted's Coney Island takeout never fails...never.

Apr 26, 2020, 5:41 PM





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April 25, 2020

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About one third of City residents were mailed incorrect water bills this past week. The wrong, old data file was used to create the bills. Many residents received incorrect bills with old information. New corrected bills will be mailed Monday with the updated information.

We apologize for this mistake. Our operations are working hard to operate as usual given the current staffing challenges in regard to COVID-19.

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It has come to our attention that we made a mistake. We will correct this Monday.

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Happy 7th Birthday, Winston!

Apr 25, 2020, 6:35 PM





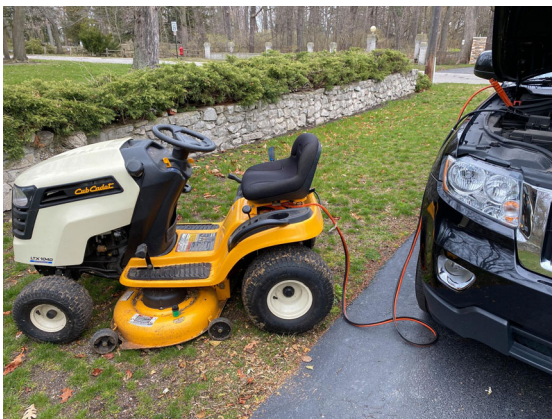
I had a productive day of spreading mulch!...Now that we can have it delivered.

Apr 25, 2020, 2:22 PM



I like to think that I've perfected her spike.

Apr 24, 2020, 10:06 PM





Apr 24, 2020, 10:03 PM

City program offering 1,000 seed packets at no cost for residents to grow veggies at home

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/04/21/free-seed-packets-help-port-huron-residents-grow-veggies-home/2996895001/>

Updated Apr 21, 2020, 6:48 PM

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For those of you who emailed your name and address to [Sprouts@PortHuron.org](mailto:Sprouts@PortHuron.org), your seed packets will be mailed to you early next week. For those who wanted to pickup in person, this box at the front doors of City Hall. We will refill it daily. Please, only take one pack.

Apr 21, 2020, 11:02 AM

Great news! The Coronavirus curve appears to be flattening.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/04/20/st-clair-county-coronavirus-flattening-curve-covid-19/5165380002/>

Updated Apr 20, 2020, 3:35 PM

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### James Freed updated their status.

Throughout the Bible God has used ordinary people to accomplish extraordinary achievements. Moses, unable to speak well. Esther, in the King's palace. A young boy with a few fishes and loafs of bread....God is still doing the same today. A nurse working the late shift. An EMS worker responding to the call they know is dangerous. A Kroger and Walmart worker keeping the shelves filled. A police officer and firefighter working the street in a scary time...The ordinary accomplishing the extraordinary.

Apr 19, 2020, 9:25 PM





CITY OF PORT HURON

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**Stay home. Stay safe. Grow!** Share your garden with us! #porthuronsprouts

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Apr 19, 2020, 2:02 PM



Morning buggy and bike rides. Top down due to chilly winds.

Apr 19, 2020, 10:18 AM



I think we finally tired them out.

Apr 18, 2020, 4:47 PM





A nice walk kinda day.

Apr 18, 2020, 4:09 PM





James Freed

Home



New swing and a piece of pizza!...Winston on pizza patrol.

Apr 18, 2020, 3:27 PM

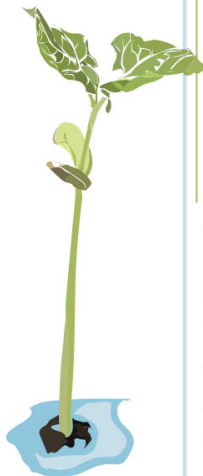


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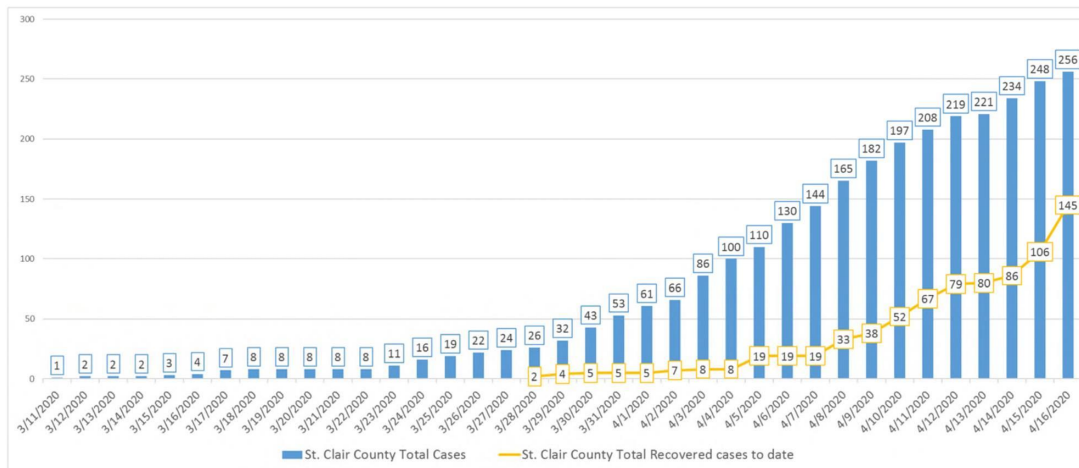
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As of 1:15 PM 4.16.2020

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\*This report is provisional and subject to change. As public health investigations of individual cases continue, there will be corrections to the status and details of referred cases that result in changes to this report.

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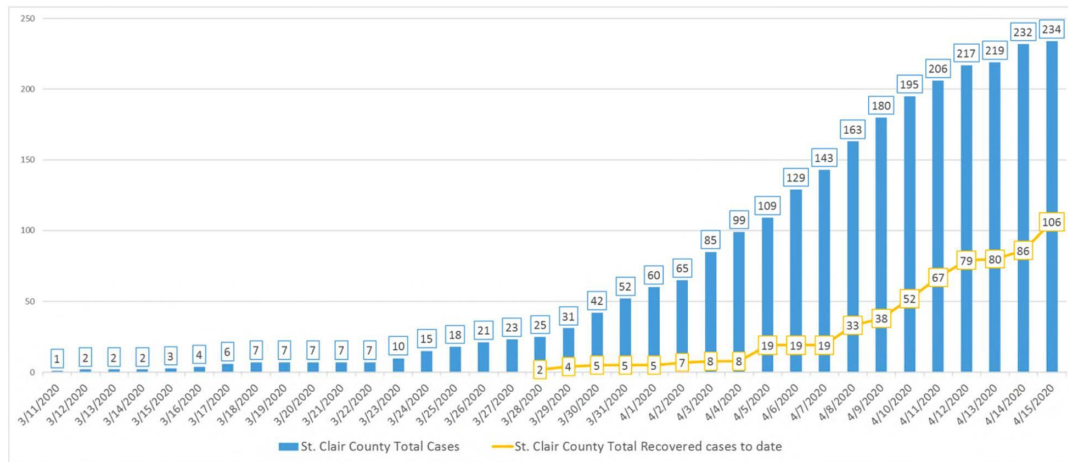
I have authorized extraordinary measures to protect our Police Officers, Firefighters and first responders. They must have the tools, resources and protocols in place to safely navigate through this crisis....We gotta stand behind our frontline.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/04/16/local-government-response-covid-19-already-already-costing-thousands/2989397001/>

Updated Apr 16, 2020, 2:48 PM

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April 15, 2020

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**City of Port Huron Announces CDBG CVOID-19 Relief Package**

The City of Port Huron has received \$462,000 of additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the purpose of COVID-19 relief. City Administration has developed the following proposed Annual Action Plan changes that will come before the Mayor and City Council at the April 27, 2020 Council meeting for hearing and approval.

“It is our focus to use these funds to assist the most vulnerable in our community, the families struggling with rent, to pay the utility bills and food insecurity”, voiced Mayor Pauline Repp. “We do not want to sit on these funds for any amount of time, we are working urgently to get these resources out to our residents in need as fast as possible, because the need is now.”

“The City of Port Huron currently has working relationships with community stakeholder groups who are well positioned and have systems already in place to make sure these resources reach those in need in a timely manner, stakeholder groups such as the Bluewater Community Action Agency, Mid-City Nutrition, Bluewater Rescue mission, St Clair County Economic Development Alliance, and the Council on Aging. Infusing these partnerships just makes common sense” added City Manager James Freed.

The Annual Action Plan Changes coming before the Mayor and City Council for rapid approval are the following:

Meal & Feeding Program, Mid-City Nutrition	\$ 45,000
Resident Rental & Mortgage Assistance, Community Action Agency	\$ 135,000
Resident Utility Bill Assistance, Community Action Agency	\$ 75,000
Testing COVID-19 Sites	\$ 50,000
Small Business Assistance, EDA	\$ 75,000
Homeless Assistance, Bluewater Rescue Mission	\$ 20,000
Senior Citizens/Meals on Wheels, Council on Aging	\$ 47,000
Food Gardening Program	\$ 15,000
<b>Total CDBG COVID-19 Relief Effort</b>	<b>\$ 462,000</b>

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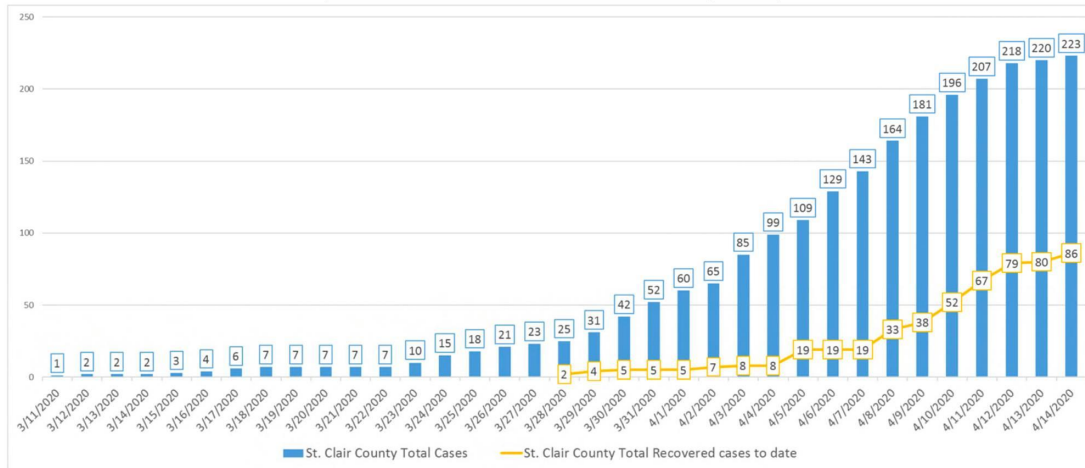
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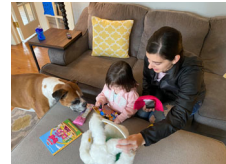
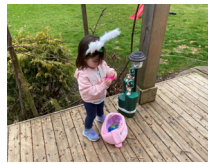
So many great adventures in our area to explore!

Apr 12, 2020, 1:51 PM



Thanks to the @[739780766218739:274:Port Huron Fire Department], @[438210869612535:274:Port Huron Police Department] and @[78958331863:274:City of Port Huron Parks & Recreation Department] for providing the Easter Bunny a ride and escort through the neighborhoods today.

Apr 12, 2020, 12:09 PM



Happy Easter!

Apr 12, 2020, 10:33 AM

What a crazy whirlwind these last few weeks have been. Do remember, that when the world seemingly spins out of control, that God is still sovereign and still in control. Set apart, but not distant.

Jeremiah 29:11 says, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future"

While at home with your families this holiday weekend I trust you will all take a moment to reflect on the great hope we still hold within us.

This season will too pass, and such as spring, a new beginning awaits us.

Great is his faithfulness #Easter2020 <https://youtu.be/q5m09rqOoxE>



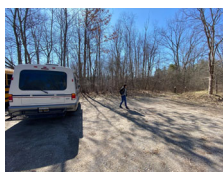
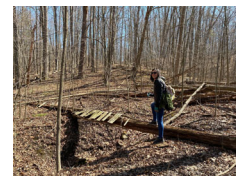


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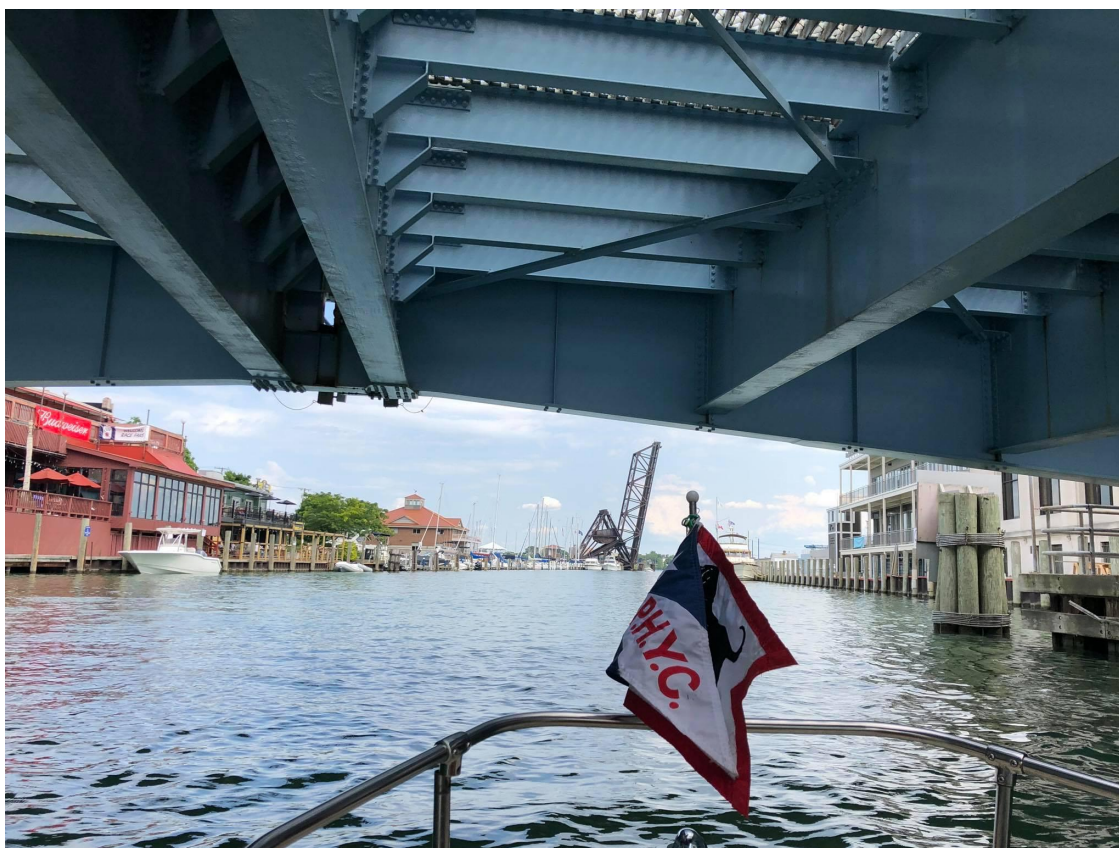
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We had a wonderful time today picnicking, hiking and exploring the Beard Hills State Game Area. Amazing hills and views of the Black River. Free family fun so close to home!

Apr 11, 2020, 12:17 PM



Additionally, today the Governor has shut down boating in our state, including fishing boats. The DNR website has been changed to reflect this more restrictive Executive Order.  
[https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79137\\_79770\\_98926---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79137_79770_98926---,00.html)





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Homemade pizza night!

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April 10, 2020

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Today in public interviews the Governor has provided more clarity to her Executive Order and further restricted lawn care. No contractors can be mowing. You can only mow your own lawn.

We will abide by this additional clarity from the Governor.

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Apr 10, 2020, 1:35 PM



James Freed

Home



We've been having lunch dates and watching Curious George in the camper, which because we can't go anywhere is in the driveway. She still loves it!

Apr 10, 2020, 11:18 AM

Kelly Nielsen has been a relentless advocate for every child, every family, every day that I have known her. The Lakeview community is blessed to have her strong and capable leadership:  
<https://thedailynews.cc/articles/lakeview-school-board-picks-elementary-school-principal-as-next-superintendent/>

Updated Apr 9, 2020, 9:44 PM

Apr 9, 2020, 9:44 PM

Food truck rally point! Food trucks join forces to create Huron Food Fleet and find permanent Port Huron home.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/04/08/food-trucks-form-huron-food-fleet-find-permanent-home/2969920001/>

Updated Apr 9, 2020, 12:33 PM

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Dress up night!



James Freed

Home



New sign in Downtown Port Huron atop the Michigan Mutual Building.

Apr 8, 2020, 4:55 PM

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"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times..."

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James Freed

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### James Freed updated their status.

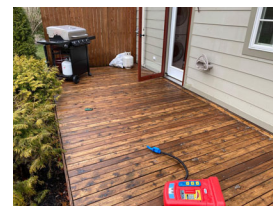
POSITIVE NEWS: Of the 129 confirmed COVID-19 cases in St Clair County, 38 of those have recovered and are okay. Many more are on the way. Thanks to our amazing first responders, healthcare workers and two world class hospitals!

Apr 7, 2020, 6:30 PM

Awesome!

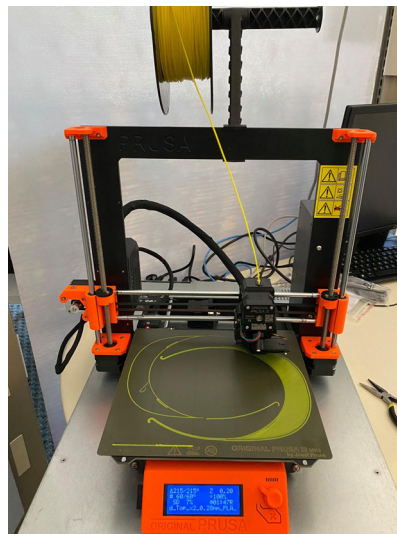
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A productive afternoon!

Apr 7, 2020, 5:48 PM



Update: 145 masks delivered so far to local healthcare workers and first responders. These are being produced by Quality Computer Solutions - QCS, @Bs3DPrints and various high school robotics teams using 3D printers. Huge thanks to DTE Energy, Continue Marketing, Community Foundation of St. Clair County and individual donors from across the community for making this happen. You can donate to the ThumbCoast Regional Response Fund here: <https://www.stclairfoundation.org/funds/covid19/>



Work from home quickly transitions into Puppy Dog Pals.

Apr 6, 2020, 10:05 AM

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Daily St Clair County COVID-19 Informational Briefings can be found here:

<http://www.stclaircounty.org/Offices/health/PressReleases.aspx>

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#### MEDIA RELEASE

**DATE:** April 3, 2020

**TIME:** 4:00pm

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Joint Information Center

(810) 662-8246

[publicrelation@stclaircounty.org](mailto:publicrelation@stclaircounty.org)

#### St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #16

#### Michigan Confirmed Cases:

12,744 confirmed COVID-19 cases; 479 deaths.

#### St. Clair County Confirmed Cases:

69 confirmed COVID-19 cases; 22 of those have recovered;  
1 death (out-of-county resident)

Helping others can combat hopelessness and anxiety. If you are healthy, consider volunteering. You can make a difference. Local St. Clair County organizations and businesses are in need of volunteers to help support COVID-19 efforts. Residents looking to help can view volunteer opportunities at [www.uwstclair.org/Volunteer](http://www.uwstclair.org/Volunteer).

Michiganders can also volunteer their compassion and commitment to fighting this virus, and saving health and lives. Your time, talent and donations will have an impact now. There are many volunteer areas to select from. Visit [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus) for more information.

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- MDHHS Hotline 1-888-535-6136, 8:00am - 5:00pm daily, 7-days a week or e-mail questions: [COVID19@michigan.gov](mailto:COVID19@michigan.gov)
- St. Clair County Community Mental Health COVID-19 Support Line (810) 985-8900 or text (810) 956-6335 or email: [covid19support@scmch.org](mailto:covid19support@scmch.org) Monday-Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm
- St. Clair County information [www.scchealth.co](http://www.scchealth.co) or social media @scchdmi
- Michigan information [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus)
- National information [www.cdc.gov/COVID19](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19)

#### St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center

The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center functions as a centralized coordination of emergency resources to provide overall policy and guidance for strategic objectives related to the COVID-19 situation.

##END##

COVID-19 Briefing 4/3/20. Moving forward, Daily Briefings will be posted by our County-wide Joint Informational Center here: <http://www.stclaircounty.org/Offices/health/PressReleases.aspx>

Apr 3, 2020, 4:45 PM

COVID-19 UPDATE: Small businesses can now apply for the #PaycheckProtectionProgram. The program is designed to keep small business workers employed & provide small businesses with





Updated Apr 3, 2020, 1:56 PM

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The story behind the #PortHuronStrong signs around town:

[https://www.secondwavemedia.com/the-keel/devnews/porthuronstrong-campaign-040220.aspx?utm\\_source=Emma&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_term=The+story+behind+the+%23PortHuronStrong+signs+around+town&utm\\_content=Mobile+Newsletter&utm\\_campaign=Porch+portraits+%7C+Quarantine+baking+%7C+%23PortHuronStrong](https://www.secondwavemedia.com/the-keel/devnews/porthuronstrong-campaign-040220.aspx?utm_source=Emma&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=The+story+behind+the+%23PortHuronStrong+signs+around+town&utm_content=Mobile+Newsletter&utm_campaign=Porch+portraits+%7C+Quarantine+baking+%7C+%23PortHuronStrong)

Updated Apr 3, 2020, 12:46 PM

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Thirty St. Clair County businesses that will receive grants averaging \$5,000 from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to help survive the coronavirus pandemic.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/04/02/30-st-clair-county-businesses-receive-around-5-000-grants/5115443002/>

Updated Apr 2, 2020, 4:21 PM

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Port Huron based Quality Computer Solutions - QCS has teamed up with B's 3D Prints and The Marysville VI Robotics Team, coached by Marysville teacher Jon Smith, to 3D print medical face shields to be given to local medical professionals. So far masks are being distributed to Physician Healthcare Network, McLaren Port Huron Hospital, and others. If you would like to help print masks for distribution please call Quality Computer Solutions at 888-956-6066

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A message to our residents:

No one could have predicted that we would have to replace our home page welcome with a message of this nature.

Our country and the rest of the world is dealing with a pandemic. The City has implemented many mitigation measures for the benefit of our residents. Read below for details on those measures as well as other relevant information about the virus and resources that are available.



In order to slow the spread, we encourage everyone to adhere to the Governor's orders.....follow the guidelines of social distancing and stay home unless it is absolutely necessary (ie., grocery store, pharmacy).

Our first responders and medical personnel in our local hospitals deserve a tremendous amount of credit as they are putting their own lives in jeopardy while continuing to do their jobs.

This is a very stressful time for each of us as we struggle with the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic. We need to pull together and be positive.

**Pauline Repp**  
 Mayor

Here is a COVID-19 Resource Page we put together. Be sure to take a look at what's available.  
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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**DATE:** April 1, 2020 **TIME:** 5:10pm

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**St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #14**

**Michigan Confirmed Cases:** 9,334 confirmed COVID-19 cases; 337 deaths.

**St. Clair County Confirmed Cases:** 34 42 confirmed COVID-19 cases; of those 8 have recovered;  
 1 death (out-of-county resident)

COVID-19 transmission is considered widespread throughout Michigan, including St. Clair County. Our county is not immune to COVID-19 exposure. Currently, we have hospitalized patients with COVID who are receiving care by dedicated medical personnel. Capacity is expected to change. Many communities are already struggling to keep up.

Southeastern Michigan hospitals are becoming overwhelmed with COVID patients and exceeding their response capabilities. Hospitals have practiced pandemic planning exercises over many years in anticipation of such an event. Mutual aid agreements between hospitals were previously established. The mutual aid concept is considered the "standard of care" in most emergency responses. The purpose is to permit hospitals to transfer and accept patients, including sharing other types of needed resources. Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer stated, "We cannot stress enough, the purpose of accepting transfer patients into our local hospitals is to save lives and provide the best possible medical care to patients with COVID. This process is critical and will allow all hospitals to keep running."

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- MDHHS Hotline 1-888-535-6136, available 8:00am - 5:00pm daily, 7-days a week or e-mail questions: [COVID19@michigan.gov](mailto:COVID19@michigan.gov)
- St. Clair County Community Mental Health COVID-19 Support Line (810) 985-8900, available Monday-Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm
- St. Clair County information [www.socchealth.co](http://www.socchealth.co) or social media @scchdmi
- Michigan response and community mitigation strategies at [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus)
- Governor Whitmer's Executive Orders [www.michigan.gov/whitmer](http://www.michigan.gov/whitmer)
- COVID-19 global outbreak situation at [www.cdc.gov/COVID19](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19)

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ST. CLAIR COUNTY  
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER & JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

## COVID-19 UPDATE



### MEDIA RELEASE

DATE: MARCH 31, 2020 TIME: 4:15pm

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### St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #13

**Michigan Confirmed Cases:** 7,615 confirmed COVID-19 cases; 259 deaths.

**St. Clair County Confirmed Cases:** 31 confirmed COVID-19 cases; of those 5 have recovered;  
1 death (out-of-county resident)

The most vital step community members can take is to follow social distancing orders to slow the surge, or "flatten the curve". Over the next few weeks, many communities, likely including our own, will see an increase in confirmed COVID-19 cases. Current estimates show that 98% of people who contract COVID-19 will recover with only mild or moderate symptoms. However, it is the responsibility of everyone to stay at home unless essential for you to leave so that we can keep everyone in our community safe, especially those who are at high risk.

As we prepare for a surge of patients that may exceed our hospital's capacity, Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer, St. Clair County Health Department stated, "We are in continuous contact with our local health care providers, hospitals, and other agencies that service the public and/or at-risk populations to ensure they are following proper PPE guidelines based on resource availability and revised CDC guidelines for this unprecedented event. The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is also following up on all complaints related to PPE usage."

If you are struggling with burnout, anxiety, depression or feeling overwhelmed, call the new St. Clair County Community Mental Health COVID-19 Support Line, available Monday-Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm. The Support Line is free, confidential and available to anyone in St. Clair County. If you need someone to talk to during this difficult time, call 810-985-8900 and ask for the Support Line. Your call will be answered by a trained, licensed mental health professional.

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Keep up on your health! Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives.

Mar 30, 2020, 7:58 PM



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March 30, 2020

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, the City of Port Huron and Downtown Development Authority are dedicating all resources to the conclusion and economic recovery of this pandemic. Therefore, Blue Water Fest 2020 will be canceled as we deem it inappropriate to fundraise for this event during this time.

“Blue Water Fest is planned almost a year in advance, and we fundraise about \$130,000 from private donors and companies to support this event. We cannot, during this difficult time, ask for funds for a festival when we know they are needed elsewhere,” voiced DDA Director Cynthia Cutright. “Our priority remains the economic recovery of Downtown Port Huron and the greater Bluewater Area.”

The City and DDA will reevaluate the situation in early summer to see if any type of celebration can be hosted downtown, although in a much different scope. This does not affect the annual Bayview to Mackinac Race.

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Information Regarding Bluewater Fest 2020.

Information Regarding Bluewater Fest 2020.

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## EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER &amp; JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

**COVID-19 UPDATE**

ST. CLAIR COUNTY  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
Our Community. Our Environment.



DATE: MARCH 27, 2020 TIME: 4:00pm

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**Media Release****St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #9****Michigan & St. Clair County Confirmed Cases:**

Michigan: 3,657 confirmed COVID-19 cases; 92 deaths.  
St. Clair County: (15) confirmed COVID-19 cases.

**Changes in Reporting:**

The Health Department is now only reporting the total number of St. Clair County confirmed cases. Weekend updates will be posted in a new video format and shared on social media. Follow us @scchdmi.

**Communication Update:**

Ken Cummings, President/CEO of Tri-Hospital EMS, member of the Emergency Operations Center team, strongly encourages the following; "If you call 911 for a medical emergency, please provide accurate information on any health symptoms you or your loved one is experiencing. When EMS arrives, you will be asked this again before staff enter your home. This is important in order to protect workers so they can take the necessary precautions and stay safe".

Captain Mat King, from the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department, member of the Emergency Operations Center team, is also encouraging; "Follow the Governor's Executive Order to stay in as much as possible. If you are out and come in contact with law enforcement officials, be aware you will be asked to share any health symptoms in order for officers to properly protect themselves from potential exposure."

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James Freed

Home



St. Clair County Community College, home of one of the best nursing programs in the state, loaded up all their personal protection equipment and donated it to the Emergency Operations Center. This equipment will be distributed to first responders and our hospitals. Way to go Skippers!

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## EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER &amp; JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

**COVID-19 UPDATE**

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY**  
**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**  
Our Community. Our Environment.



DATE: MARCH 26, 2020

TIME: 4:00pm

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**Media Release****St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #8****Michigan & St. Clair County Confirmed Cases:**

Michigan: 2,856 confirmed COVID-19 cases; 60 deaths.

St. Clair County: (13) confirmed COVID-19 cases; three additional cases:

- 78 y/o female; hospitalized
- 39 y/o female; hospitalized
- 54 y/o female; recovering at home

**Upcoming changes:**

Beginning March 27, the Health Department will report only on the total number of St. Clair County confirmed cases. Individual case information is not significant as community spread can be assumed. Weekend updates will be posted in a new video format and shared on social media. Follow us @scchdmi.

**Communication update:**

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated, "The message has not changed; stay home, stay safe and don't go out unless absolutely necessary. If you do have to go out, take the necessary precautions; stay six feet away from others, wash your hands frequently, avoid touching your face, cover your cough, and other prevention tips. If we all make this a priority, we will keep our hospitals, first responders and front line staff safe. This is a temporary inconvenience and with everyone's help we will get through it together."

Deb Johnson, Executive Director at St. Clair County Community Mental Health, reminds residents to stay connected and avoid isolation as we shelter in place. "We are free to go outside so long as we exercise social distancing. There is no reason to stay indoors every day. Stay connected with family, friends, and love ones by phone, text and email. Like you, they probably need someone they trust that they can talk to about their concerns and feelings. If you are having extreme difficulty or are in crisis, call the CMH Access Line at 888-225-4447 or the Mobile Crisis Unit, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 810-966-2575."

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**DOWNTOWN EATS.**  
WWW.DOWNTOWNPH.COM

<b>Bangkok Star</b> 810-987-2877	<b>Mama Vicki's</b> 810-985-6723
<b>Casey's Pizza &amp; Subs</b> 810-982-0900	<b>Moe's Corner Deli</b> 810-294-5109
<b>Cavis Grill</b> 810-982-2192	<b>Palms Krystal Bar</b> 810-985-9838
<b>Chef Shell's</b> 810-966-8371	<b>Pompeii's Pizzeria</b> 810-966-3400
<b>Freighters</b> 810-941-6010	<b>Raven Café</b> 810-984-4330
<b>Fuel Woodfire Grill</b> 810-990-8156 (place order through Tio's)	<b>Tio Gordo's Cocina</b> 810-990-8156
<b>Kate's Downtown</b> 810-984-2233	<b>Vintage Tavern</b> 810-982-1866
	<b>Wings, Etc.</b> 810-479-9605

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The middle of Lake Huron seems like a great place to social distance. We installed the fishing docks early this season for those who want to socialize with some fish.

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## Small Business Relief Grant Applications



### Small Business Relief Grants

Starting Monday, March 30th - Apply @ <https://edascc.com/covid19>

**Eligibility:** The company is in an industry outlined in Executive Order 2020-9, or any subsequent Executive Order of similar intent ("EO"), or demonstrates it is otherwise affected by the COVID-19 outbreak, that meets one or more of the following: provides support to impacted employees, is located in a downtown district or high impact corridor; or has 50 employees or less, or is a company that provides services to companies outlined in the EO and requires additional employees to support to companies or employees impacted by EO; The company has 50 employees or less; • The company needs working capital to support payroll expenses, rent, mortgage payments, utility expenses, or other similar expenses that occur in the ordinary course of business; and The company is able to demonstrate an income loss as a result of the EO, or the COVID-19 outbreak.

### EDA OF ST. CLAIR COUNTY GRANT PARTNERS

#### REGION 6

EDA of St. Clair County is proud to partner with the 7-county I-69Thumb Region. Our regional application to MEDC has been approved and, we have been granted **\$850,000**. St. Clair County's share of the grant award is approximately \$142,000.



#### MEDC

Grant funding is made possible by The Michigan Economic Development Corporation as part of MEDC's \$20 million grant and loan initiative to provide relief to Michigan's Small Business Community.



#### GRANT AMOUNTS

Maximum of \$10,000 per applicant.

#### GRANT USES

Payroll. Rent. Operating Expenses.

#### ELIGIBILITY

See details above.

#### FUNDS

CHECKS ISSUED  
EARLY APRIL

**THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE (EDA) OF ST. CLAIR COUNTY HAS BEEN SUPPORTING AREA BUSINESSES TO HELP THEM THRIVE AND SURVIVE SINCE 1952. EDA IS A MEMBERSHIP SUPPORTED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO GROWING THE LOCAL ECONOMY.**

Get in touch 810.294.3051 (Cell) 810.982.9511 (Office) EDA of St. Clair County [www.edascc.com](http://www.edascc.com)

Mar 26, 2020, 6:58 AM





# UPDATE



**DATE:** MARCH 25, 2020 **TIME:** 4:30pm

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**St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release  
St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #7**

Michigan is reporting 2,295 confirmed COVID-19 cases, including 43 deaths. St. Clair County has ten (10) confirmed COVID-19 cases, an increase of two since yesterday's report:

- 52 year old female, no travel history, recovering at home
- 39 year old male, no travel history, hospitalized

St. Clair County Health Department is currently monitoring 36 people who are awaiting COVID-19 test results.

The St. Clair County Health Department receives information about confirmed COVID-19 cases from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. The number of COVID-19 tests are reported to the St. Clair County Health Department by hospital systems, however, may not be a complete report of all tests conducted.

According to Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department, "There are several reasons we are seeing more COVID-19 patients being hospitalized. Hospitalized patients are prioritized for testing, so we will detect those patients more often. Additionally, complications due to COVID-19 typically occur after the first week of symptoms. Since we identified our first cases two weeks ago, it makes sense that we would see more cases that need advanced health care as this pandemic plays out. The most critical response to this event is that we slow transmission down by social distancing and quarantine efforts as needed so that our healthcare system can keep up with those that need the care. It is too early in this event to fully compare severity and other epidemiological factors with other locations, but we still have an opportunity to protect those people around us by following all the recommendations provided."

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Make the most of the weather! Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives!

Mar 25, 2020, 2:41 PM





New banner hung today on the Michigan Mutual Building in @127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron].

Mar 25, 2020, 1:10 PM

Dentists, family doctors, vets and even private companies have opened the doors to their stockrooms and donated protective gear they had to first responders in our community.

Due to an outpouring of donations from the community, the Tri-Hospital EMS staff are now able to wear a mask, goggles and gloves on every call.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/03/25/coronavirus-port-huron-st-clair-county-first-responders-ems-working-quarantined/5077040002/>

Updated Mar 25, 2020, 12:04 PM

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For those who are out of work and looking to apply for unemployment the link is below. The program has been greatly expanded and many who previously wouldn't qualify now do.





<http://www.michigan.gov/uia>

Updated Mar 25, 2020, 8:59 AM

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They Mayor and Council took swift action to affirm Administrative Directives halting water shutoff's, delaying income tax deadlines, creating drive-thru lanes for downtown businesses and the deployment of comprehensive mitigation measure for City operations. If need be, we will utilize new technology to host virtual public meetings that will include public input and observation.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/03/24/local-gov-meetings-canceled-held-electronically-amid-coronavirus/2903310001/>

Updated Mar 24, 2020, 4:45 PM

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COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR



DATE: MARCH 24, 2020

TIME: 4:00pm

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**St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release  
St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #6**

**Overall Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by State and County**

Michigan is reporting 1,791 confirmed cases, including 24 deaths. St. Clair County remains at eight (8) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 33 people under investigation and monitoring 59 people which includes travelers and contacts to suspect and confirmed cases.

**Addressing Common Community Concerns**

1. For more information regarding whether you are considered an essential worker or not, first ask your employer. Some employers may also provide letters for essential employees. If you receive a letter, keep it in your vehicle however, people will not be stopped by law enforcement to provide proof. For guidance on essential workforce, visit, [www.cisa.gov](http://www.cisa.gov) or e-mail [CISA.CAT@cisa.dhs.gov](mailto:CISA.CAT@cisa.dhs.gov).
2. Due to the heavy volume of testing, results may not be available for 10 business days or longer. Results can be obtained from the testing facility. The St. Clair County Health Department does not have access to all of the results.

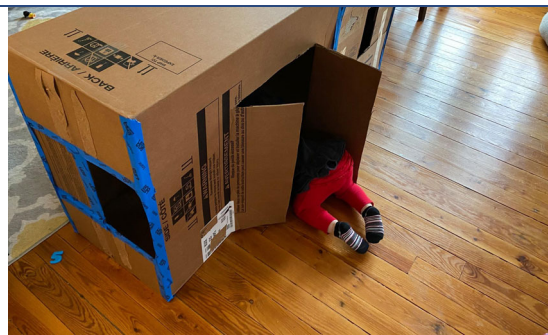
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I feel like such a fool for ever buying store bought toys. All she wanted was big boxes. Hope everyone is making the most of family time! Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives!

Mar 24, 2020, 2:57 PM



With technology today there's really nothing I can't do from my home office that is done at my main office. Perhaps, less toddler yelling...Stay home. Stay Safe. Save lives.

Mar 24, 2020, 2:16 PM





James Freed

Home



I just conducted the most seamless couch to crib transition mankind has ever seen.

Mar 23, 2020, 9:42 PM

**COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR****St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release**
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 ☐ Warning
 ☒ Update
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**St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #5**

As of 3-23-20 at 4:00pm, the State of Michigan is reporting 1,328 confirmed cases, including 15 deaths. St. Clair County is now reporting eight (8) confirmed cases. The new case is a 68 y/o male, hospitalized, with no travel history. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 35 suspect cases and monitoring 63 people which includes travelers and contacts to suspect and confirmed cases.

Justin Westmiller, St. Clair County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director stated, "It is extremely important that our community heed the governor's order to "stay at home, stay safe." This will help to halt the transmission of COVID-19 and allow everyone to return to a normal way of life much sooner. Essential workers are still needed for the health, safety and security of our county.

The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) continues interagency coordination, information sharing, decision making and response planning efforts. The EOC will remain active throughout the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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Based on guidance from healthcare experts we have closed the playgrounds at our City parks. This is not something we take lightly. Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives.

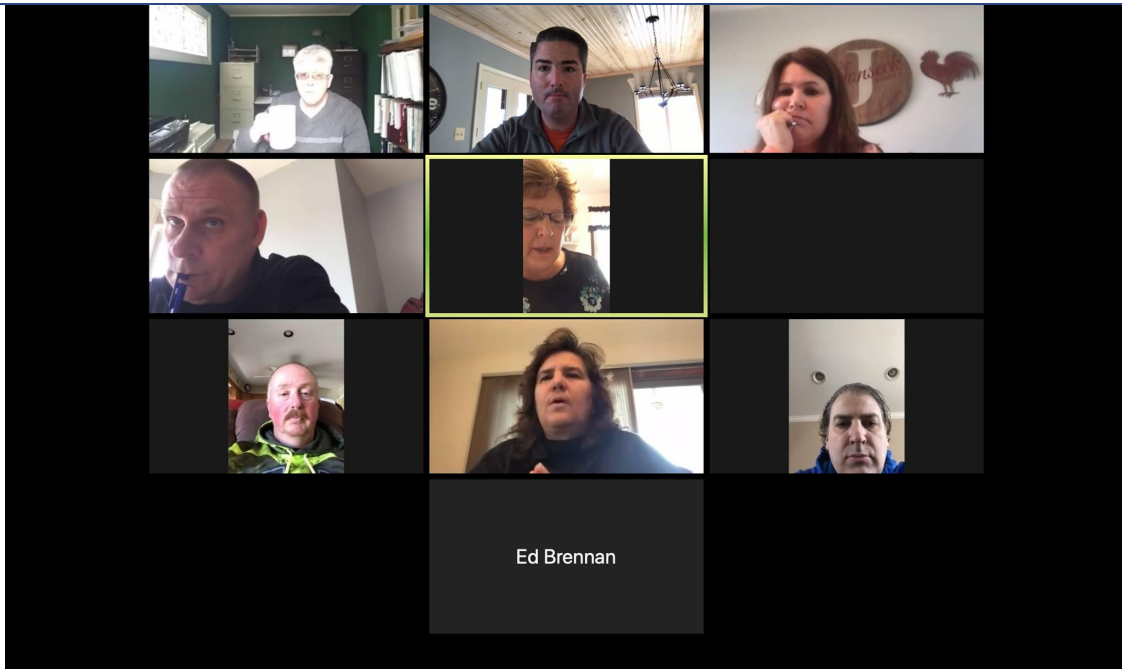
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James Freed

Home



Today, I held another virtual department head meeting with senior leadership. Although we are working apart, we are still working together to ensure Police, Fire, Water, Sewer, Parks and other essential services continue to be delivered.

Mar 22, 2020, 5:04 PM

**COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR****St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release**
☐ **Information**
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☐ **Warning**
☒ **Update**

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**TIME: 4:00pm**

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**St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #4**

As of 3-22-20 at 4:00pm, the State of Michigan is reporting 1,035 confirmed cases, including eight (8) deaths. St. Clair County remains at seven (7) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 42 people under investigation, along with 73 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer explains why the St. Clair County Health Department does not name potential exposure locations; "When confirmed cases are identified, it is very likely community wide transmission is already present. Everyone should be following all recommended prevention measures and advisories to help slow down further spread."

The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) continues interagency coordination, information sharing, decision making and response planning efforts. The EOC will remain active throughout the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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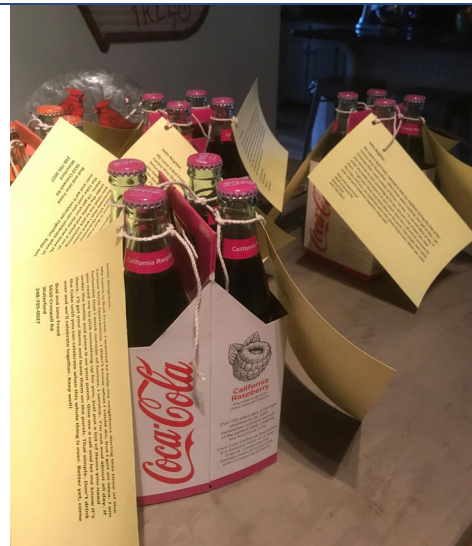
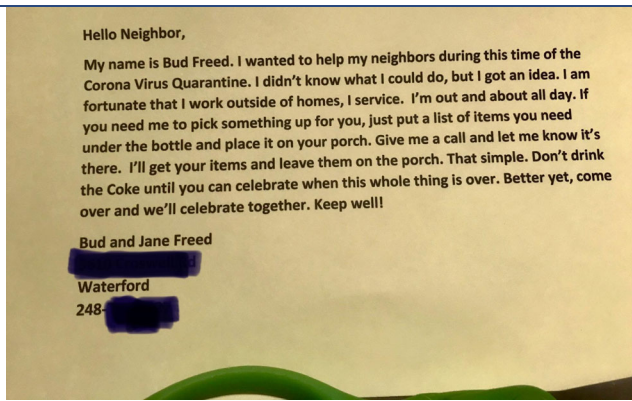
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James Freed

Home



I don't normally post things my crazy parents do, but this one I will. Be sure to help your neighbors everyone! We are in this together. It's what makes Michigan great.

Mar 21, 2020, 8:14 PM



**COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR****St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release**

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**DATE: MARCH 21, 2020****TIME: 4:45pm****FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #3**

Daily updates on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-21-20 at 4:00pm, according to the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS), there are 787 confirmed cases, including five deaths in Michigan. St. Clair County remains at seven (7) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 52 people under investigation, along with 73 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated, "We know these are uncertain times and it is important to rely on accurate sources of information. Be aware of the sources you follow, as they may not be valid. When in doubt, use recommendations put in place by the CDC, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and the St. Clair County Health Department".

For further information visit: [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus); [michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://michigan.gov/coronavirus); or [scchealth.co](https://scchealth.co). A general St. Clair County COVID-19 Informational Hotline is available Monday through Friday, (810) 966-4163, 8:00am-4:30pm or email questions to [covid19@stclaircounty.org](mailto:covid19@stclaircounty.org). The State of Michigan hotline is 1-888-535-6136 and is operational daily 8:00am – 5:00pm or email questions to [COVID19@michigan.gov](mailto:COVID19@michigan.gov).

**##END##**

COVID-19 Briefing 3/21/20

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Mar 21, 2020, 5:21 PM

**COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR****St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release**
☐ **Information**
☐ **Advisory**
☐ **Warning**
☒ **Update**
**TIME: 4:00pm****FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jennifer Michaluk, Media Spokesperson  
 Joint Information Center  
[publicrelation@stclaircounty.org](mailto:publicrelation@stclaircounty.org)

**St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #2**

Daily updates on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-20-20 at 4:00pm, according to the State of Michigan, the number of confirmed coronavirus cases reaches 549 in Michigan. Three people who have died from the virus, two in Detroit and one in Wayne County. Out of those numbers, St. Clair County has a total of seven (7) confirmed positive cases reported to the St. Clair County Health Department. No additional confirmed cases. We are monitoring 51 people under investigation, along with 76 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated, "This unparalleled event is continuing to unfold and public health officials are working on all aspects. The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center is fully operational, including partners from Emergency Management, public health, hospitals, law enforcement, Tri-hospital EMS, fire, city, county government and more working to protect the health and wellbeing of our community."

For further information visit: [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus); [michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://michigan.gov/coronavirus); or [scchealth.co](https://scchealth.co). A general COVID-19 Informational Hotline is available Monday through Friday, (810) 966-4163, 8:00am-4:30pm or email questions to [covid19@stclaircounty.org](mailto:covid19@stclaircounty.org). The State of Michigan hotline is 1-888-535-6136 and is operational daily 8:00am – 5:00pm or email questions to [COVID19@michigan.gov](mailto:COVID19@michigan.gov).  
**##END##**

COVID-19 Briefing 3/20/20

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Mar 20, 2020, 4:31 PM



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PALMER PARK • 2829 ARMOUR STREET • PORT HURON, MI 48060 • FAX: (810) 984-0192

For immediate release

March 20, 2020

### Port Huron Recreation Department reduces social distancing through virtual recreation

The Port Huron Recreation Department has planned a variety of fun virtual activities for families during school closings. Families can participate in all activities free of charge via the department's Facebook page "@phrec". Activities and times vary by day.

As an incentive, the Recreation Department is offering participants the opportunity to earn "REC Bucks," vouchers that can be used towards swim tokens, REC prizes and select REC programs, once the Recreation Department opens again.

"I can only imagine how challenging it is to entertain young children while having to keep them inside all day," said Nancy Winzer, Port Huron Parks & Recreation director.

A coloring activity debuts the virtual fun on Sunday, March 22 and continues until schools reopen. Port Huron Parks & Recreation staff will lead activities including song time for toddlers, virtual tours, fitness videos and even a special game of trivia with Nancy Winzer.

For more information, please visit City of Port Huron Parks & Recreation Department Facebook page (@phrec).

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The @[78958331863:274:City of Port Huron Parks & Recreation Department] is launching innovative virtual recreation programs to help keep our residents and kids active. Be sure to take advantage of this innovative programming.



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Mar 20, 2020, 3:26 PM





Mar 20, 2020, 3:08 PM





Our Community. Our Environment.

**St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release**

☐ Information   ☐ Advisory   ☐ Warning   ☒ Update

**TIME: 4:00pm**  
**DATE: MARCH 19, 2020**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Jennifer Michaluk, Media Spokesperson  
Joint Information Center  
(810) 662-9559  
[publicrelations@stclaircounty.org](mailto:publicrelations@stclaircounty.org)

**St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #1**

Daily updates on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-19-20 at 4:00pm, St. Clair County has a cumulative total of 7 confirmed positive cases reported to the St. Clair County Health Department.

- o #1 – 61 year old male, no travel, recovering at home
- o #2 – 41 y/o female, no travel, recovering at home
- o #3 – 41 y/o female, no travel, hospitalized
- o #4 - 50 y/o male, international travel, recovering at home
- o #5- 72 y/o male, no travel, recovering at home
- o Two cases were previously reported in a previous media release
- o The Health Department is monitoring 55 people under investigation, along with 80 of their contacts.
- o All contacts of confirmed positives are monitored by St. Clair County Health Department staff.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated  
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"We do, in fact, have community transmission at this time. People who feel well do not need testing. If there is contact to a positive COVID case, our staff will evaluate the situation and determine if contacts need testing. We are trying to preserve testing for those who need medical care, who are most vulnerable, and those that are critical to our epidemiological investigation. Most people will have mild symptoms and recover without event, but the elderly and people with chronic disease do need to avoid contact with people." In addition, "Regardless if people are tested or not, they should stay home. All sick people should stay home, whether they have been tested or not. Those with life threatening situations should call 911. Individuals who need to go out for their medications, food/supplies, or those who still need to go work, all need to be mindful on social distancing, practicing good hand hygiene, wiping down high-touch surfaces and other preventive measures."

Justin Westmiller, Director of the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management stated: "The EOC continues to ensure full operations for the health and wellbeing of our community as we work through this unprecedented event."

For further COVID-19 information visit [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus); [michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://michigan.gov/coronavirus); or [scchealth.co](https://scchealth.co). Follow the Health Department on social media @ scchdmi. A general COVID-19 Informational Hotline is available Monday through Friday, (810) 966-4153, 8:00am-4:30pm or email questions to [govid19@stclaircounty.org](mailto:govid19@stclaircounty.org). The State of Michigan hotline is 1-888-535-6136.

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COVID-19 Briefing 3/19/20

Mar 19, 2020, 4:41 PM

Updated Mar 19, 2020, 1:59 PM

Mar 19, 2020, 1:59 PM



Mayor Repp and I have been working with the St Clair County Emergency Operations Center as our community prepares and deploys resources to confront the Coronavirus Emergency. Public Safety Officials are in constant communication with the various stakeholders in the community, including our two hospitals, EMS and Central Dispatch. We have conducted numerous virtual briefings with various resources as we continue to navigate this crisis. We have made available City facilities and resources to the Emergency Operations Center to be used in the coordinated response. We also want to provide the following communication resources for questions and concerns.

<http://stclaircounty.org/Offices/health/Default.aspx>COVID19 Emergency Operations Center (810) 989-6392  
 MDHHS Hotline: (888) 535-6136 [situation@stclaircounty.org](mailto:situation@stclaircounty.org) [publicrelation@stclaircounty.org](mailto:publicrelation@stclaircounty.org)  
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[covid19@stclaircounty.org](mailto:covid19@stclaircounty.org)

Mar 19, 2020, 1:35 PM



James Freed

Home



Mayor Repp ordered some takeout for us today before a series of virtual briefings we participating in. Be sure to support our @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron] small businesses!

Mar 19, 2020, 12:07 PM

### James Freed updated their status.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." -Jeremiah 29:11 #ForwardTogether #PortHuron

Mar 18, 2020, 8:56 PM

The coronavirus outbreak is still in its early stages in our region, and there is tremendous uncertainty over how the virus will impact our community now and in the weeks and months that follow.

The @[103774829690611:274:Community Foundation of St. Clair County] is trusted place for giving, we want to be able to provide the public a safe place to make a donation for critical and future coronavirus responses. Learn more:

[http://www.stclairfoundation.org/news/more/covid\\_19\\_thumbcoast\\_regional\\_response\\_fund](http://www.stclairfoundation.org/news/more/covid_19_thumbcoast_regional_response_fund)

Updated Mar 18, 2020, 7:07 PM

Mar 18, 2020, 7:07 PM





James Freed

Home



We interrupt this global pandemic for a strong dose of cute.

Mar 17, 2020, 6:18 PM



We have now established drive-thru/pick-up zones throughout Downtown Port Huron so that you can continue to support your local small businesses.

Mar 16, 2020, 3:00 PM

"When we have an at-risk population, we can't let red tape and bureaucracy get in the way. I am grateful that we have a school superintendent who blazed through and cut red tape and didn't let process get in the way of delivering results for our students."

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/03/16/coronavirus-michigan-port-huron-schools-meals-students-eat/5057346002/>

Updated Mar 16, 2020, 1:55 PM

Mar 16, 2020, 1:55 PM





@[816523158409893:274:Port Huron Schools] Superintendent Jamie Cain and I held a press conference to announce a meal program for EVERY child in our community. No matter what school you go to, public, charter, private or homeschool, it doesn't matter. Very proud of our schools for stepping up and taking care of our children and families who may face food insecurity. There will be eight pickup locations and delivery for those who cannot get to the sites. Two meals a day for seven days available. That's 14 meals a week. 3,000 meals have already been delivered. We expect that demand to rise .

Mar 16, 2020, 12:17 PM

**City of Port Huron***Office of the City Manager, Chief Administrative Officer*

To: Director of Public Works

From: James R. Freed, City Manager, CAO

Cc: Mayor and Council

Date: March 16, 2020

Re: Administrative Directive Drive Thru/Pickup Lanes Setup

Director Witter,

The Governor has issued an Executive Order to close all restaurants and bars effective at 3pm today. However, the Executive Order does allow these restaurants and bars to remain open for takeout services. With that said, I am directing the Public Works to begin deploying cones and barrels in front of downtown businesses to create drive-thru/pickup lanes in front of restaurants and bars. This will allow more capacity and residents to still patronize these important small businesses.

IT IS SO ORDERED,

James R. Freed  
City Manager  
Chief Administrative Officer

Administrative Directive issued this morning regarding drive-thru/pickup lanes.

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Mar 16, 2020, 10:02 AM

**James Freed updated their status.**

It's been a crazy week or so. I've learned a lot and faced decisions I never pondered I'd need to make. How quickly we realize how small our world is. Maybe we took for granted grocery shopping, seeing friends at a local pub or at church on Sunday. Perhaps we forgot how much we love each other and need each other...This uncertain time will pass, as sure as the changing of seasons. However, that appreciation of being together, fellowshipping and loving each other, lets make sure that doesn't.

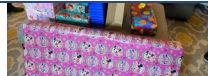
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James Freed

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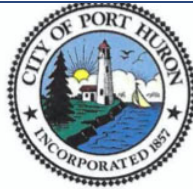
Happy 2nd Birthday, Lucy!

Mar 14, 2020, 5:39 PM

**James Freed**

Updated Mar 13, 2020, 1:39 PM

Mar 13, 2020, 1:39 PM



**City of Port Huron**

*Office of the City Manager, Chief Administrative Officer*

To: Director of Finance and City Treasurer

From: James R. Freed, City Manager, CAO

Cc: Mayor and Council

Date: March 13, 2020

Re: Administrative Directive Water Shutoffs

Director Brennan and Treasurer Caryl,

In light of the potential threat of the COVID-19 Virus, I hereby direct that effective immediately no water shutoffs should occur in the City for a duration of 30 days. At that point I will reassess my Directive.

IT IS SO ORDERED,

James R. Freed  
City Manager  
Chief Administrative Officer

Mar 13, 2020, 8:56 AM

The new case of coronavirus is an individual in St. Clair County. Not a City resident. We anticipated this. We are prepared.

<https://www.crainsdetroit.com/coronavirus/michigan-has-third-patient-test-positive-coronavirus>

Updated Mar 12, 2020, 6:48 PM

Mar 12, 2020, 6:48 PM

A held a roundtable with regional media today to discuss the mitigation measures we have taken.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/videos/news/2020/03/12/port-huron-coronavirus-precautions/5035569002/>

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and to take the necessary precautions to protect our residents and staff, and to take the necessary actions to slow the transmission of this virus.

An informational Page can be found here: [https://www.porthuron.org/alert\\_detail.php](https://www.porthuron.org/alert_detail.php)

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/03/12/city-canceling-large-events-person-services-amid-covid-19-spread/5031942002/>

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"Basically, what they did is they expended a huge amount of money not knowing whether they were going to be able to recover the money because they put the safety of the residents in that area first."  
-City Attorney Todd Shoudy

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/03/11/city-asks-final-judgment-chicory-lawsuit/5022710002/>

Updated Mar 11, 2020, 7:51 PM

Mar 11, 2020, 7:51 PM



Mayor Repp and I had a great time this evening talking with community stakeholders at our "Partners at the Pub" event. We outlined the adopted annual Mayor & Council and Administration Goals for fiscal year 2020-21. Lots of big projects ahead that will require a collaborative community effort to achieve! Thank you Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce for hosting this event with us!

Mar 11, 2020, 6:50 PM





@[712080482279686:274:Mayor Pauline Repp, Port Huron] joined fellow municipal leaders from across our state this week in Washington D.C. to lobby federal officials on a host of local issues. She was joined by the @[37853890805:274:Michigan Municipal League] and the @[113157907700:274:National League of Cities]. Mayor Repp is the President of the Michigan Association of Mayors.

Mar 10, 2020, 5:05 PM



All I wanted for my birthday today was to take a walk with these two.

Mar 9, 2020, 2:15 PM



James Freed

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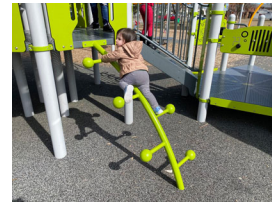
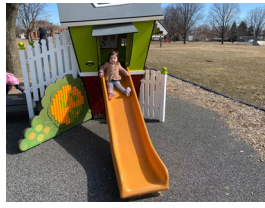
Matthew Emanuel was the entrepreneur in residence at the energy center, a co-working space and business incubator in @127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron]. A serial entrepreneur, he was the coach for those launching or thinking about launching startup companies.

Today, he's back to being an entrepreneur, himself, having launched North Coast Golf Co. LLC last May to sell high-quality golf gloves and other golf accessories.

<https://www.crainsdetroit.com/crains-michigan-business/entrepreneur-finds-niche-golf-gloves-accessories>

Updated Mar 8, 2020, 10:37 PM

Mar 8, 2020, 10:37 PM



Place: [Optimist Park, Port Huron, Mi](#) (42.991719825605, -82.435401221601)

Address: 1400 Whipple Street, Port Huron, Michigan 48060

Awesome afternoon at Optimist Park!

Mar 8, 2020, 2:46 PM



James Freed

Home

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Friday night exploring Cracker Barrel.

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Mar 6, 2020, 8:23 PM





Happy Hour with the one and only Marcia Haynes!

Place: [Casey's](#) (42.981146612421, -82.424145600337)

Address: 628 Huron Ave, Port Huron, Michigan 48060

Mar 6, 2020, 4:04 PM



Sometimes you just need some @[305193912897353:274:Mama Vicki's Coney Island Downtown] in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron] to get you through a Friday.

Mar 6, 2020, 3:28 PM

Strategy: Reduce and Restructure. This resulted in a savings of \$87million for the taxpayers.  
Updated Mar 5, 2020, 5:36 PM

Mar 5, 2020, 5:36 PM

"Freed said although the unfunded liability issue isn't unique to Port Huron, its officials' willingness to address it and "political courage to get it done" was."

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/03/05/freed-port-hurons-bond-issue-pay-down-pension-debt-took-political-courage/4956685002/>

Updated Mar 5, 2020, 11:02 AM

Mar 5, 2020, 11:02 AM





James Freed

Home



Been a few years, but we got her lit back up! We need another one by the bridge. Working on that now.

Mar 4, 2020, 7:10 PM



Great press conference today with Mayor Repp announcing the completion of our “Reduce and Restructure Strategy” for unfunded liabilities. This plan is projected to save the taxpayers \$87million...Working together, we have ensured that the next generation won’t bare the burden of our unfinished business and hardworking public workers are protected. Michigan, a roadmap has been built. Follow it.

Mar 4, 2020, 4:51 PM





James Freed

Home

**Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Project**  
PORT HURON, MICHIGAN

**Special thanks to:**  
Diving With a Purpose for bringing forth this Opportunity!

**Target Goal:**  
**\$65,500.00**

We have raised thus far an estimated \$27,000.00. Our thanks to the Community Foundation of St. Clair County and DTE Energy for their generous donations in helping us to move the bar closer to our goal. Port Huron, WE NEED your help in donating whatever you can to ensure that we make this claim. To build the Tuskegee Airmen Memorial here in our City of Port Huron.

**Donate Online at:** [divingwithpurpose.org](http://divingwithpurpose.org)  
or mail donations to:  
500 Water Street, Port Huron, Michigan 48060  
\*Make sure you are donating to the Community Foundation of St. Clair County

**Committee Members:**  
Bob Deane and Jay Hagler, Co-Chair  
Anna B. Ashford, Co-Chair  
Brian Collier, Treasurer  
Dave McElroy, Sec. General  
Walter B. Thomas, Treasurer  
Kevin B. Terry, Sec. Treasurer  
Mike Hays, Sec. Treasurer  
Kevin B. Terry, Community Foundation of St. Clair County  
Ed Hays, Treasurer

many Tuskegee Airmen were immediately deployed to combat support missions in Italy, North Africa and the Mediterranean. The primary aircraft used by the Tuskegee over Lake Huron was the P-51 Mustang. Two Tuskegee Airmen plane wrecks were discovered in the Michigan area. The P-51 Mustang by Lt. Frank Moody was discovered in Lake Huron on April 11, 2014, seventy years to the day of the accident.

A small team consisting of members from the Diving With a Purpose Maritime Archaeology Program (DWP) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) assembled in August 2015 to explore the Lake Huron site and document the wreckage. The artifacts from the crash site were spread across a large area illustrating the violence of the accident. Artifacts included the wing, landing gear, engine block, tail, propeller, cockpit door, at a time when their country didn't believe in them.

In 2018, artifacts were recovered and are undergoing restoration and conservation. Artifacts will be displayed in the National Tuskegee Army Museum in Detroit. Shown below is the cockpit door.

DWP is dedicating a memorial to recognize the accomplishments of the Tuskegee Airmen of WWII and the pilots that perished in accidents in the Port Huron, Michigan area. The purpose of this event is to bring national attention to a memorial to recognize the accomplishments of the Tuskegee Airmen of WWII, the pilots that perished in accidents in the Port Huron, Michigan area. The memorial will be placed in the Flag Plaza in Port Huron, Michigan. The dedication is planned for August 2020.

**Proposed Location of Tuskegee Airmen Memorial**

**Memorial Fund Raising Campaign:**  
[divingwithpurpose.org](http://divingwithpurpose.org)

**To donate:**  
On the homepage of [divingwithpurpose.org](http://divingwithpurpose.org)  
find the donate button under  
"Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Campaign"

Here is some information on the Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Project Port Huron. Please share with family and friends.

Feb 24, 2020, 10:31 AM

This comprehensive study will develop engineering and financial plans for two options. Option one would rehabilitate and upgrade the three existing fire stations. Option two would consolidate operations into a newly constructed central fire station and an existing satellite station.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/02/21/port-huron-city-council-might-start-process-relocation-citys-fire-stations/4829313002/>

Updated Feb 21, 2020, 1:55 PM

Feb 21, 2020, 1:55 PM



Councilmember Ashford hosted a wonderful dinner last night for our friends from @159543057423813:274:Diving With A Purpose. They are in town to kickoff the Tuskegee Airman Memorial project. You can learn more about that project here: <https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/02/20/black-history-month-celebration-features-kickoff-tuskegee-airmen-memorial/4796244002/>

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Feb 21, 2020, 8:36 AM

Always great to talk with the @301761831307:274:WPHM Radio] Morning Show: <https://www.wphm.net/episode/february-18-james-freed/>  
Updated Feb 18, 2020, 10:37 PM

Feb 18, 2020, 10:37 PM





Every man has a breaking point...

Feb 16, 2020, 8:37 PM







Feb 16, 2020, 3:41 PM



Best valentines present ever!

Feb 14, 2020, 11:01 AM



Grilled pork chops tonight with an audience.

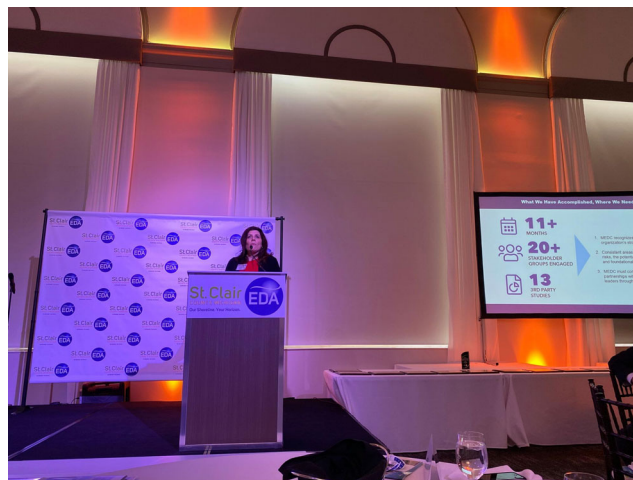
Feb 12, 2020, 7:28 PM





Mild winter weather has allowed us to install this new innovative playscape with zip line at Knox Field. This follows the installation of a splash pad and pavilion. This would not have been possible without the generous support of the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation Legacy Funds from the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan and Landscape Structures Playground Company

Feb 12, 2020, 3:02 PM



Great time at the EDA of St. Clair County Our Shoreline Your Horizon. Annual meeting today. Huge economic growth and gains these last five years. Thousands of new jobs and hundreds of millions in new investment.

Feb 11, 2020, 2:32 PM







Feb 9, 2020, 12:33 PM



Nothing better than Saturday morning breakfast at @[111614218876170:274:Cavis Grill] in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron]!

Feb 8, 2020, 9:11 AM



Today, instead of driving I bundled up and walked the 3 miles from my house to the office for morning briefing. Found some ice balls that have been coming down the river along the way.

Feb 8, 2020, 8:29 AM



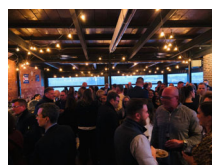
James Freed

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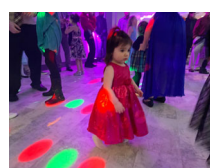
Fun night at the Rotary Club of Port Huron's Three Grand Slam!

Feb 7, 2020, 7:02 PM



Great evening at the Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce's Annual Meeting. We have a wonderful community of stakeholders who work together to bring progress and prosperity to our City and region.

Feb 7, 2020, 9:20 AM



Daddy Daughter Dance 2020!

Feb 6, 2020, 7:10 PM







James Freed

Home



A perfect evening for a walk to the beach. #PureMichigan #PortHuron

Feb 3, 2020, 5:29 PM





Breakfast date.

Feb 3, 2020, 8:38 AM



James Freed

Home



Visited the grandparents today I'm a Elwell, outside Alma. Lucy is named after my grandma.

Feb 2, 2020, 3:37 PM

I am looking for a new assistant. This position reports directly to me and plays a critical role in my office. If anyone is interested.

[https://www.porthuron.org/freeform\\_joblist\\_detail\\_T37\\_R42.php](https://www.porthuron.org/freeform_joblist_detail_T37_R42.php)

Updated Feb 2, 2020, 10:14 AM

Feb 2, 2020, 10:14 AM





Lucy is asleep at Grandma's so we snuck out.

Place: [Winter Inn](#) (43.1811111111, -85.2525)

Address: Greenville, Michigan 48838

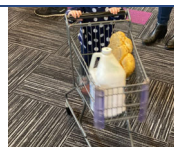
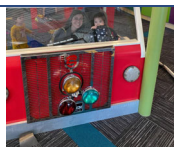
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James Freed

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Place: [Grand Rapids Children's Museum](#) (42.96372, -85.667207)  
Address: 11 Sheldon Ave NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

A fun morning at the Children's Musuem.

Feb 1, 2020, 12:23 PM



A good boy.

Jan 31, 2020, 3:51 PM



The crew at the State of the State Address.

Jan 29, 2020, 7:54 PM



Great to be in Lansing for the State of the State Address this evening. A delegation from Port Huron and St Clair County are here advocating for our region.

Jan 29, 2020, 7:07 PM



A bit chilly, but always a great day to break ground on a \$9.5million development!





Proud to announce the promotion of Cynthia Cutright. Her background in organizational management and communication will serve the downtown well. She has firsthand experience with our business owners and festivals to understand where downtown needs to go to further grow its economic impact.

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Jan 25, 2020, 10:38 AM





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A quick stop at @[121436627866868:274:Casey's] before heading to @[375712909470902:274:ChillyFest Port Huron] in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron]!

Jan 24, 2020, 7:52 PM

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A \$9.5 million assisted living facility that will be about 43,000 square feet and have 44 units is coming to Port Huron. This development will allow folks to age in place in the neighborhood they love.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/01/24/9-5-m-project-break-ground-port-huron/4479726002/>

Updated Jan 24, 2020, 11:19 AM

Jan 24, 2020, 11:19 AM



Beautiful day in the City of Port Huron, one of North America's busiest international crossings.

Jan 20, 2020, 11:15 AM





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Life comes at you fast...

Jan 18, 2020, 10:57 AM



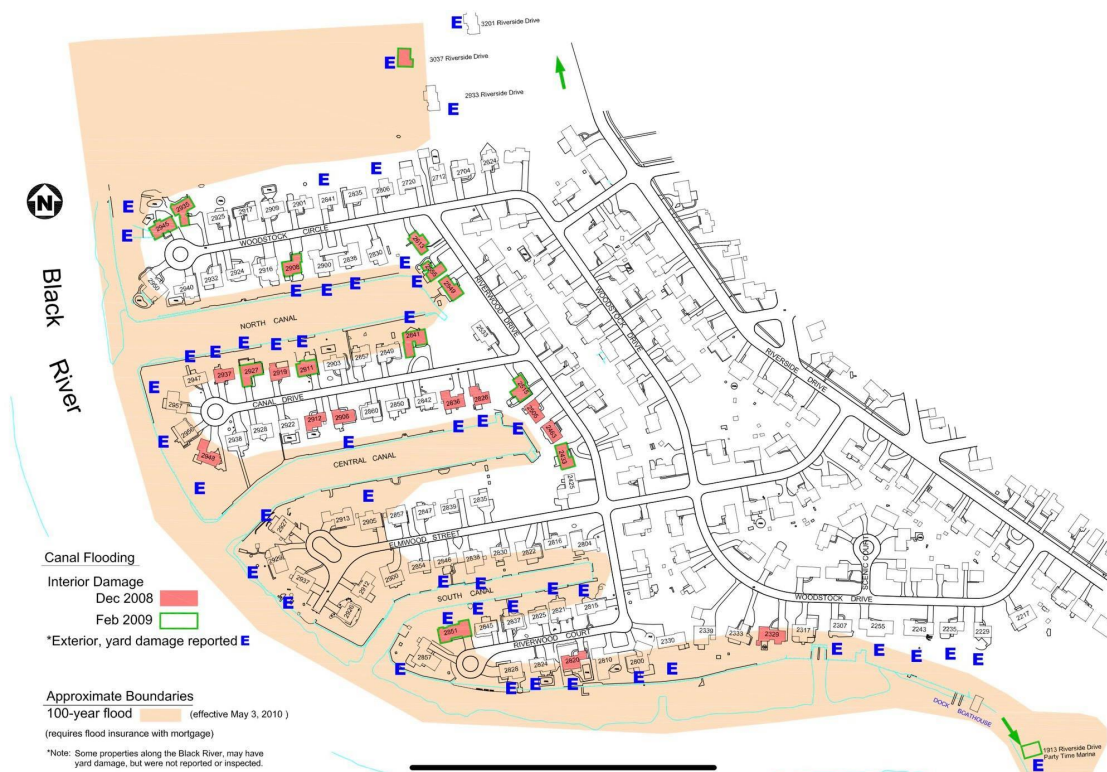


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Snow day!

Snow day!

Jan 18, 2020, 10:07 AM



The following link contains a press release and letter from our Fire Chief and Director of Public Works regarding our proactive steps to address high water levels and possible flooding. Please share with friends and family who may live in the areas of concern.

[https://www.porthuron.org/press%20releases/Flood\\_Mitigation\\_Plan.pdf](https://www.porthuron.org/press%20releases/Flood_Mitigation_Plan.pdf)

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Jan 16, 2020, 5:48 PM



Date night at our favorite spot in Downtown City of Sarnia. Lola's Lounge has been our little getaway. Be sure to check it out.

Jan 15, 2020, 5:35 PM



Everyone needs a Winston.





This morning I issued an emergency directive to the Public Works & Fire Departments to begin filling and pre-positioning sandbags to vulnerable property owners.

The Black River and Lake levels are very high and any rain event will almost certainly lead to some flooding issues within the canal district. Instead of waiting for future rain events to take action I have issued my emergency directive now. This will provide residents a resource if they choose to proactively take steps to prevent damage to their homes.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/01/14/port-huron-prepares-sandbags-stave-off-high-waters/4466148002/>

Updated Jan 14, 2020, 2:06 PM

Jan 14, 2020, 2:06 PM

“Joi has demonstrated incredible capabilities and has handled many complex programs during her time with the City. These skills coupled with her intimate knowledge of our community will make her a strong advocate poised to make a difference. She is a rising star and we are blessed that she is choosing to invest her talents in our City.” -City Manager James Freed

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2020/01/10/port-huron-taps-current-city-employee-new-diversity-inclusion-coordinator/4433441002/>

Updated Jan 10, 2020, 7:24 PM

Jan 10, 2020, 7:24 PM

Please take a moment to complete this community survey about our Five Year Consolidated Plan regarding housing issues.

[https://www.porthuron.org/news\\_detail\\_T30\\_R44.php](https://www.porthuron.org/news_detail_T30_R44.php)

Updated Jan 8, 2020, 2:46 PM

Jan 8, 2020, 2:46 PM



Today, the Port Huron Police Department launched, “Hope Not Handcuffs”, a partnership with FAN-Families Against Narcotics Blue Water Chapter.

Jan 2, 2020, 9:57 AM





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Just a farm girl at heart.

Dec 25, 2019, 1:22 PM



Mom crashed our breakfast date, but we did get to see fish at Meijer.

Dec 24, 2019, 12:44 PM



@[321320511264185:274:Tailgators Sports Bar] for the Lions game. For you old timers, the Streamline.

Dec 22, 2019, 6:12 PM



Zebra Lounge & Bar Yale Bologna with sautéed onions and horseradish with a side of Chili Cheese fries. Plus, my solid bowling performance. If there’s a better Sunday lunch, I’ve never seen it.

Dec 22, 2019, 5:53 PM

“Why do good landlords pay the same amount as bad landlords?” Freed said. “I think that’s a fair discussion point. And so instead of raising the rental certification fee, we opted not to do that because good landlords pay their rental certification fee, they get certified, and they go on with their day.” -City Manager James Freed

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/12/17/new-port-huron-rental-fees-aimed-collect-just-bad-landlords/2638997001/>  
Updated Dec 18, 2019, 9:07 PM

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stronger.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/12/18/port-huron-high-schools-resource-officer-program/4397884002/>

Updated Dec 18, 2019, 9:03 PM

Dec 18, 2019, 9:03 PM



The house is trashed, but she's having a blast.

Dec 18, 2019, 8:37 PM

### James Freed

Great to talk with Paul Miller this morning.

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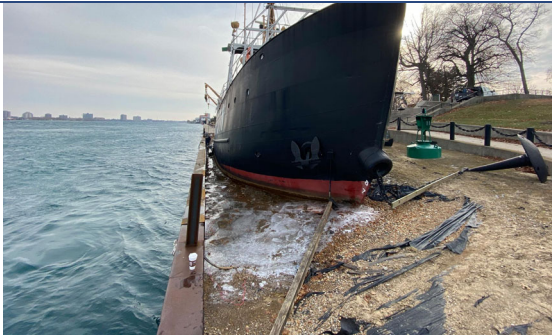
Morning breakfast date.

Dec 15, 2019, 9:19 AM



A great evening with friends.

Dec 14, 2019, 8:48 PM



Repairs are taking place on the seawall at the Huron Lightship. The wall has been raised to protect the ship from high water levels. This project would not have been possible without the generous support of the James C. Acheson Foundation.

Dec 12, 2019, 2:26 PM

The most recent independent audit report for the City of Port Huron that the Mayor and Council received this week is now available online for public inspection:

[https://www.porthuron.org/Open%20Government/Annual%20Financial%20Reports/annual\\_financial\\_report\\_2019.pdf](https://www.porthuron.org/Open%20Government/Annual%20Financial%20Reports/annual_financial_report_2019.pdf)

Updated Dec 11, 2019, 9:07 AM

Dec 11, 2019, 9:07 AM

@[131054075632:274:St. Clair County Community College] was just ranked the BEST Community College investment in Michigan for your tuition dollars after 10 years, based on a Georgetown University study measuring return on investment for students at higher education institutions across the country! We are blessed to have them and their student body in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron].

<https://www.bridgemi.com/talent-education/choice-michigan-college-can-make-million-dollar-difference>

Updated Dec 11, 2019, 7:03 AM

Dec 11, 2019, 7:03 AM





James Freed

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Always great to see Santa...

Dec 8, 2019, 12:26 PM



Hot dogs and Silver Stick hockey at @[148798185189:274:McMorran Place Sports & Entertainment Center] in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron]!

Dec 7, 2019, 11:37 AM





James Freed

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A Pure Michigan beach day! #PortHuron #PureMichigan

Dec 7, 2019, 10:54 AM



Lovely evening at the @[109615905752992:274:McLaren Port Huron] Festival of Trees.

Dec 6, 2019, 9:27 PM



December 2, 2019

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Contact person: Eric Witter  
Director of Public Works  
(810) 984-9730

City Administration has shared with Emterra's management team concerns on the bulk leaf pickup program in the City of Port Huron. Emterra will continue to complete the remainder of Zone 2 and has supplied additional trucks and personnel starting today to accomplish this. Any leaves placed in the boulevard after Emterra has passed through will not be picked up. We are aware of areas in Zone 1 that have been missed and will be included in this continuing effort.

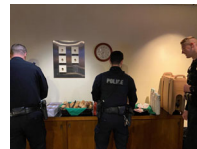
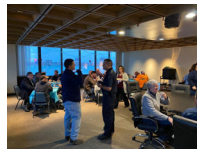
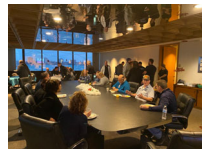
Please be aware that yard waste pickup on regular trash days will continue until December 13, 2019. The City of Port Huron appreciates the patience of our residents as we finalize this year's fall leaf pickup program.

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We are aware of the issues regarding leaf pickup. We are not satisfied and will hold this contractor accountable. Rest assured we will continue pickup until your leaves have been collected.

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Dec 6, 2019, 1:47 PM



It was a fun morning at the Annual City Manager's Breakfast. Glad we could get a hot meal to our dedicated city staff this morning. They work so hard to keep our city running 24/7/365!

Dec 6, 2019, 9:41 AM





Sherman Woods Christmas Balls are up!

Dec 5, 2019, 5:57 PM







Dec 5, 2019, 4:13 PM



It's very hard leaving the house for work in the morning when these two are literally begging me to stay.

Dec 5, 2019, 8:05 AM



Lucy has transformed the living room into her dining room. Winston is not amused.

Dec 3, 2019, 6:47 PM

### City of Port Huron Property Value Change By Class

Year	Residential	Commerical	Industrial	Taxable Value
2014	0%	0%	0%	1.6%
2015	4%	2%	-3%	1.6%
2016	7%	5%	-1%	0.3%
2017	5%	2%	6%	0.9%
2018	3%	4%	0%	2.1%
2019	9%	13%	16%	2.4%
2020	8%	6%	4%	1.9%
<b>Total Property Value Change</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>

Think your home or business in the City of Port Huron is worth more today than it was five years ago? Well, you're right. As a whole, residential home values are up more than 36% across the City and commercial property values are up more than 32%. Taxable values have remained low and are only up around 10% in that same time. The City of Port Huron continues to be a sound investment.

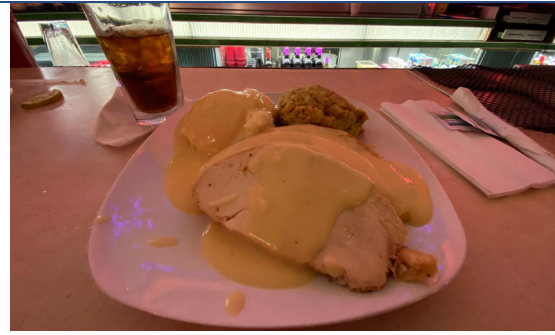
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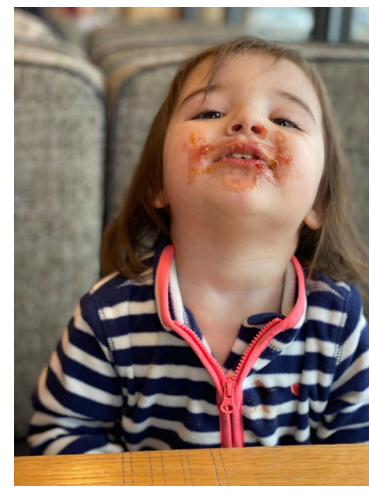
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On this cold rainy December evening I escaped to Palms Krystal Bar & Grill/Chicken in the Rough for a bowl of their iconic chicken noodle soup, a hot turkey dinner and listened to Christmas carols. It was pretty prefect.

Dec 1, 2019, 6:39 PM



It's important that when eating a peanut butter and jelly sandwich to get completely filthy and lick every last drop of jelly off the table.

Dec 1, 2019, 3:54 PM





Freed Family Dinner 2019.

Place: [Maggiano's](#) (39.91174708, -86.10681968)

Address: 3550 E. 86th St., Indianapolis, Indiana 46240

Nov 30, 2019, 5:19 PM



James Freed

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This poor pink cow.

This poor pink cow.

Nov 27, 2019, 8:02 PM



'Tis the season!

Place: [Brass Rail Bar](#) (42.978959047222, -82.424078811111)

Address: 410 Huron Ave, Port Huron, Michigan 48060

'Tis the season!

Nov 27, 2019, 12:02 PM



A new addition to our family. This should help with our explorations around our great state.

Nov 26, 2019, 9:54 PM





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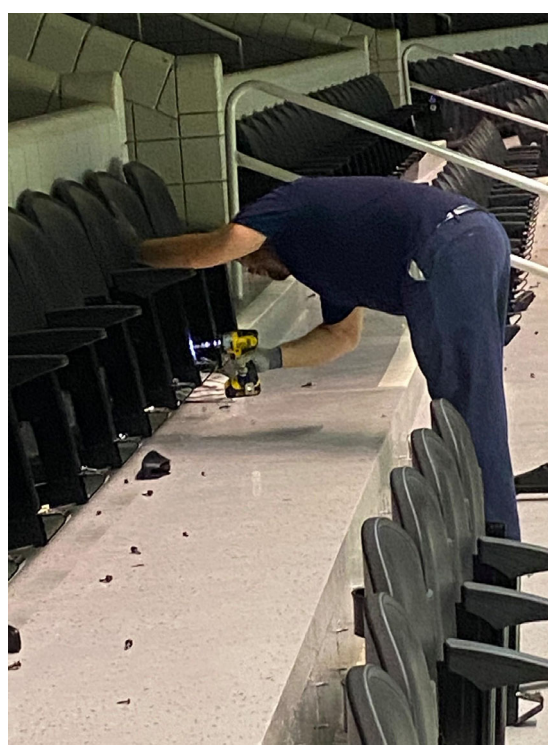


Had to stop and get a few Yale Bologna sliders from the @204152256319609:Zebra Lounge & Bar] for lunch. Soooo good!

Place: [Zebra Lounge & Bar](#) (42.976010891488, -82.425066359915)

Address: 522 Quay St, Port Huron, Michigan 48060

Nov 25, 2019, 1:40 PM





out and the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation helped by making an introduction for us. The Pistons Foundation and Palace have now donated 3,000 of those seats, valued at around \$520,000 to McMorran Place Sports & Entertainment Center. Tonight Council will vote on accepting the donation. They would be installed in the Arena...never hurts to ask ;)

Nov 25, 2019, 11:22 AM



Pompeii's Pizzeria & Italian Eatery for dinner and Sperry's Moviehouse for Mr. Rogers with Tom Hanks. Gotta love Downtown Port Huron!

Nov 24, 2019, 5:34 PM



Nov 23, 2019, 1:28 PM





James Freed

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Got the leaves done. Feeling pretty accomplished today...Until the wind blows again.

Nov 23, 2019, 12:13 PM



Dale, the owner/founder of Whiskey Coffee Company, LLC. located Grand Trunk Marketplace in Downtown Port Huron has created a really awesome place. Lucy and I enjoyed our french press coffee from their fresh beans.

Nov 23, 2019, 9:44 AM





James Freed

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Some @111614218876170:274:Cavis Grill in @127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron for Lucy this morning.

Nov 23, 2019, 8:55 AM



Great roundtable with the Chamber Board of Directors this morning.

Nov 21, 2019, 10:24 AM



James Freed

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Raking snow covered leaves at night is so #PureMichigan

Nov 20, 2019, 6:01 PM



My most favorite freighter, the American Century, comes into Port Huron this evening. Had to stop and watch her come down on my way home. The American Century is a very large diesel-powered Lake freighter owned and operated by the American Steamship Company. This vessel was built in 1981 at Bay Shipbuilding Company, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin and includes self-unloading technology. She is 989ft long and is powered by four 3500 HP General Motors Electro Motive Division (EMD) Diesel engines with 14,000 SHP.

Nov 19, 2019, 7:17 PM





Lucy is not impressed with Fall/Winter so far.

Nov 19, 2019, 4:05 PM

Great to hear from @[100003495250449:2048:Brian Calley] at his Detroit TedTalk. He's been a friend and role model of mine for many years. Be sure to take a few minutes to listen:

[https://youtu.be/Tch\\_d2ZoDr4](https://youtu.be/Tch_d2ZoDr4)

Updated Nov 16, 2019, 2:05 PM

Nov 16, 2019, 2:05 PM





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I was going to do leaves today, but...

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Nov 16, 2019, 9:35 AM





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The kids.

Nov 10, 2019, 6:44 PM



Some fall family time.

Nov 10, 2019, 12:47 PM



Best Friends.

Nov 9, 2019, 11:31 AM





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This could go on for hours.

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Nov 9, 2019, 11:18 AM



We love our Saturday morning breakfast dates.

Nov 9, 2019, 8:14 AM



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Nov 8, 2019, 5:41 PM

City	State	Dtn. Businesses	Dtn. Bus. per City Resident	Rank
HIGHLAND PARK	ILLINOIS	652	0.0222	1
WOOSTER	OHIO	485	0.0179	2
MASON CITY	IOWA	471	0.0168	3
WINONA	MINNESOTA	447	0.0161	4
KANKAKEE	ILLINOIS	415	0.0160	5
JACKSON	MICHIGAN	512	0.0154	6
PORT HURON	MICHIGAN	442	0.0151	7
VALPARAISO	INDIANA	504	0.0150	8
SUPERIOR	WISCONSIN	400	0.0147	9
BATAVIA	ILLINOIS	371	0.0142	10

The University of Wisconsin, working with Ball State University, is conducting a research project designed to identify Midwest communities with the most economically vital downtowns. One metric they are using to gauge economic vitality is the number of downtown businesses per capita. The City of Port Huron ranked #7 out of all 260 small to midsize communities they sampled.

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Nov 7, 2019, 10:53 AM

From Nov 29, 2019, 6:00 PM to Nov 29, 2019, 9:00 PM

Updated Nov 6, 2019, 12:39 PM

Nov 6, 2019, 12:39 PM



A reminder to slow down for our Public Works teams out there!

Nov 6, 2019, 11:55 AM



Been a great morning at the Business Leaders for Michigan CEO submit in Detroit. Business Leaders for Michigan (BLM) is the state's business roundtable, composed of the chairpersons, CEOs or most senior executives of the state's largest job providers and universities. I was able to network and promote our Industrial Park and top notch workforce here in Port Huron.

Nov 5, 2019, 12:25 PM



@[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron] for @[318428202411555:274:The Current War].  
As Thomas Edison's boyhood hometown we should all be proud of this history. Amazing story!

<https://youtu.be/kue18AxK1tU>  
Updated Nov 4, 2019, 8:30 PM

Nov 4, 2019, 8:30 PM



New Mug Club at Black & Blue Brewery in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron]. Very cool mug.

Nov 3, 2019, 3:47 PM



Port Huron Fire Department's new 75' Quint Ladder Truck went through final inspection this past week. Will be in service at our south side Station #4 by the end of the month.



A quick Polaroid with the kids.

Oct 31, 2019, 9:07 PM





Friends forever.

Oct 30, 2019, 8:54 PM





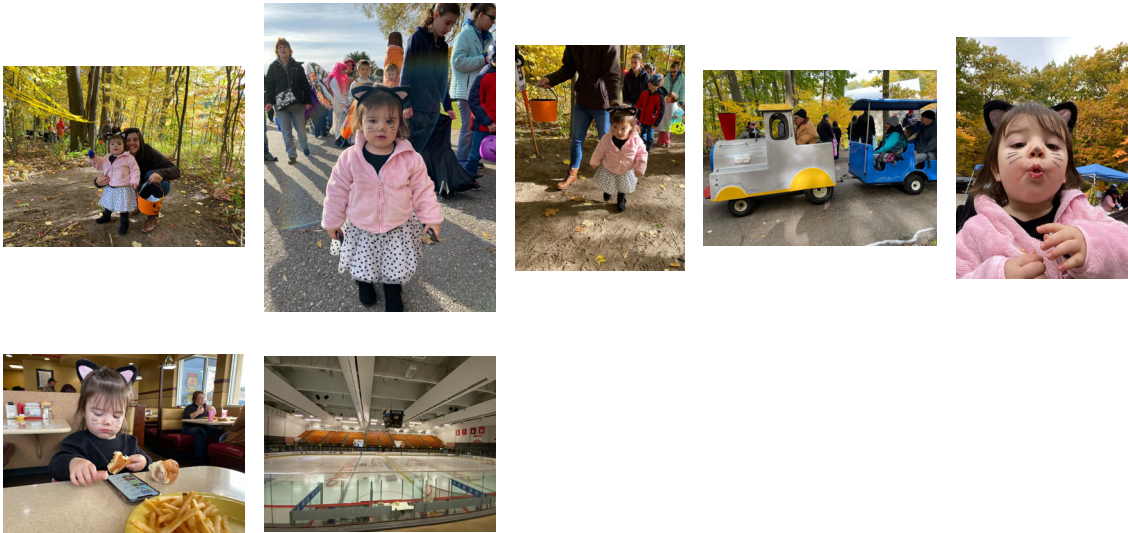
This is Lucy. She refuses to go to bed.

Oct 29, 2019, 8:47 PM



Had to take a moment on my way home to enjoy this gorgeous view. #PureMichigan  
@[36261648288:274:Pure Michigan]

Oct 28, 2019, 8:47 PM



Awesome day at the Halloween Stroll, Ted's for lunch and start of youth hockey at McMorran!

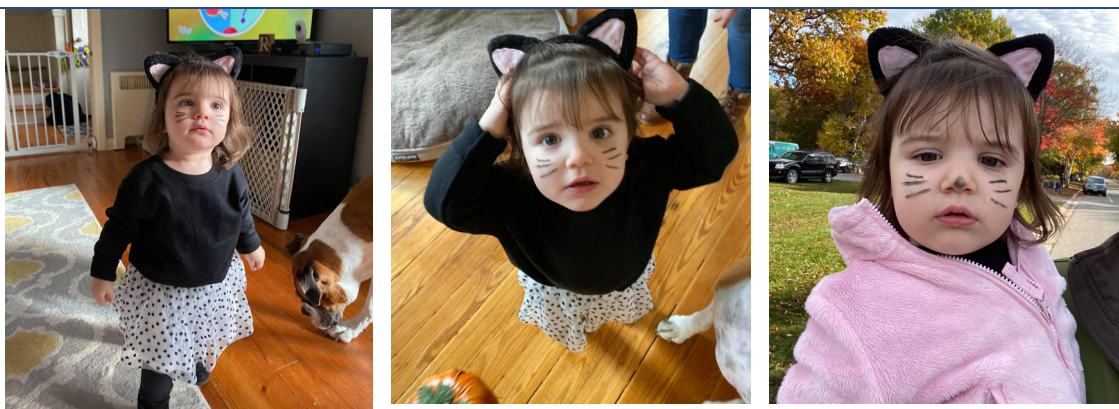
Oct 26, 2019, 11:11 AM





James Freed

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Found at stray cat in case anyone has lost one.

Oct 26, 2019, 10:14 AM

More on the new Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion from @[342435979172692:274:ebw.tv].

<https://ebw.tv/diversityequityinclusionoct19/>

Updated Oct 26, 2019, 8:03 AM

Oct 26, 2019, 8:03 AM



A great evening with friends.

Place: [Port Huron Golf Club](#) (43.027389675468, -82.441882002037)





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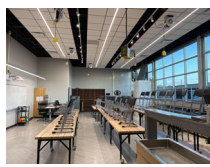
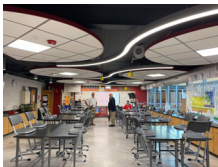
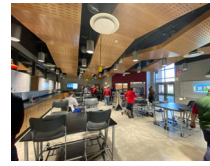
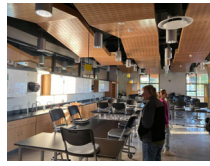
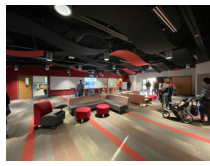
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Oct 25, 2019, 8:17 PM



Congrats to the PHS - Port Huron Northern Girls Golf team and Coach Jessie Freed on an amazing season! 8th ranked team in the entire state.

Oct 25, 2019, 7:37 AM



Place: [Port Huron High School](#) (42.9717, -82.4515)

Address: Port Huron, Michigan 48060

Amazing to see the new renovations and new STEAM lab at PHS - Port Huron High School! Our community is blessed with an amazing school system.

Oct 23, 2019, 6:10 PM

The great challenge of this generation, my generation, is whether or not we choose to build one future, with one gathering of providence. If some children in our city look to this city's future promise and wonder if there is a place for them, that promise will be diminished for all.

To that end, we must take stronger action and make a deeper commitment.

Today, I am announcing that with authority granted to me by the City Charter, I am establishing and creating the City of Port Huron Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.

[https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/10/23/port-huron-announces-new-position-track-diversity-port-huron-programs/4064409002/?fbclid=IwAR2nTirn35vly7WK42ho39oIV8MVjwdpA9tFaj3\\_nPzi-rn23YqqIrdEuEg](https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/10/23/port-huron-announces-new-position-track-diversity-port-huron-programs/4064409002/?fbclid=IwAR2nTirn35vly7WK42ho39oIV8MVjwdpA9tFaj3_nPzi-rn23YqqIrdEuEg)



James Freed

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Oct 23, 2019, 4:55 PM



Lucy is having a great time at the Port Huron Police Department Cops & Jocks Spaghetti Dinner raising money for the CAPTURE program.

Oct 22, 2019, 5:10 PM



I'm not sure who has more personality.

Oct 20, 2019, 9:38 PM





Congrats to the Port Huron Northern Athletics Girls Golf Team for clinching 8th place, Top 10 in the State at the MHSAA State Championship Tournament at MSU! Coach Freed knows how to lead a team!

Congratulations to on a great season, ladies!

Madison Bajis '22

Isabella Murray '20

Megan Schumacher '21

Karly Ward '21

Allie Warren '20

Coach Jessie Freed

Oct 19, 2019, 8:40 PM

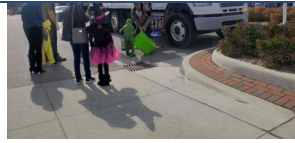






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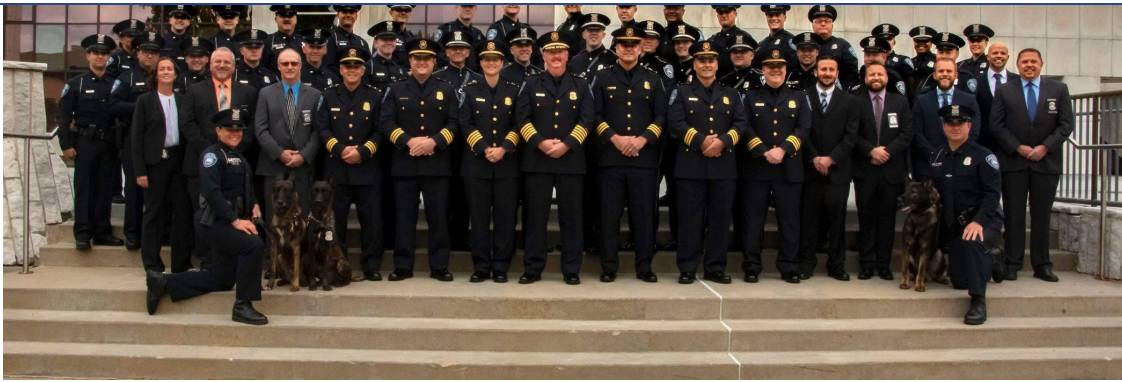
Thousands of visitors and kids in costumes turned out today for Trucks and Treats in Downtown Port Huron. Thank you to all the companies and agencies that sent rigs and candy for the kids to enjoy!

Oct 19, 2019, 5:44 PM



Breakfast date.

Oct 19, 2019, 8:39 AM



The @[438210869612535:274:Port Huron Police Department] is the best department in the entire State of Michigan.

The Port Huron Police Department is the best department in the entire State of Michigan.

Oct 17, 2019, 9:38 AM



Our Police Officers are constantly training and updating their skillsets. This week I got to stop out and observe specialized firearms training. I even got to run through a few drills with my personal firearms...Several of our officers have advanced training and are firearms instructors. Amazing work they do to keep us safe.

Oct 16, 2019, 6:31 PM





We are conducting a project to bolster the stabilization of our water intake in the St Clair River at the Water Filtration Plant. The operation calls for the strategic placement of large stones. It's quite an impressive project to see...In case anyone was curious what's going on down there.

Oct 16, 2019, 4:47 PM

HOPStoberfest Beer Tasting this Friday at the @[111670388863673:Port Huron Museums] Carnegie Center will feature several breweries, food and music. Sounds pretty awesome to me!

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/10/15/specialty-edison-themed-beer-debuting-port-huron-museum-tasting-event/3932465002/>

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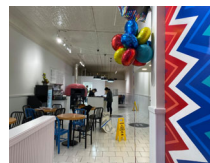
Office visitor at lunch today.

Oct 16, 2019, 1:14 PM



A gorgeous new mural installed on the side of the 7th St Bridge by the Blue Water Young Professionals (BWYP)!

Oct 16, 2019, 12:57 PM







Bella Bolla is an amazing addition to Downtown Port Huron!

Oct 16, 2019, 11:37 AM



Lucy delivered the official fall pumpkin this morning.



Saturday morning a with Daddy.

Oct 12, 2019, 9:20 AM

"Freed should be congratulated for a job well done. The Huskies kept a level head throughout the round and wound up placing second as a team, shooting 370 to edge No. 3-ranked Farmington Mercy by two strokes."

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/sports/2019/10/11/bajis-earns-medalist-honors-port-huron-northern-advances-division-2-state-final/3932341002/>

Updated Oct 11, 2019, 3:11 PM

Oct 11, 2019, 3:11 PM





Congratulations to the @[383217635192389:274:PHS - Port Huron Northern] Varsity Girls Golf Team, led by Coach Jessie Freed, for taking 2nd place at Regionals and making it to State Finals next week in Lansing!

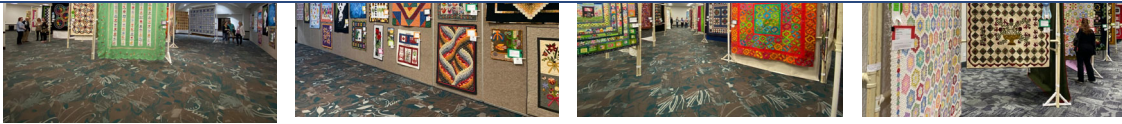
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If you want to see some truly stunning art stop by the public viewing tomorrow 9am-5pm of the Michigan Fiber Arts and Quilters Convention at the Blue Water Convention Center. They gave me a sneak peak tour this evening. Pretty amazing!

Oct 9, 2019, 8:51 PM

Mayor Repp is an extraordinary leader who has done so much for our City and she has taught me a lot. Our state is lucky to have her at the helm of the Michigan Association of Mayors

<https://www.wphm.net/2019/10/08/repp-to-head-statewide-mayors-group/>

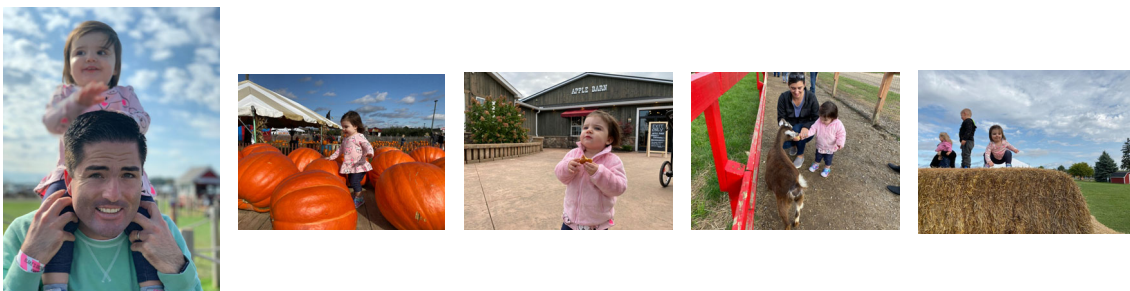
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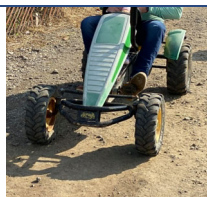
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The swings at Palmer Park never get old for her.

Oct 7, 2019, 8:40 PM





Blake's!

Oct 6, 2019, 12:07 PM



Saturday's with Daddy. Successfully bathed, dressed and fed her.

Oct 5, 2019, 10:03 AM





This is what a team player looks like.

Oct 3, 2019, 6:55 PM







Oct 2, 2019, 10:02 PM



It's officially Fall when everything is pumpkin spice and your annual leaf pickup schedule arrives. You can view it here with a short millage report card:  
<https://www.porthuron.org/Report%20Card%20Fall%202019.pdf>

Oct 2, 2019, 7:15 PM





Lunch date at Sams Club.

Oct 2, 2019, 3:47 PM





Art Hop this Friday 6pm-9pm in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron]!

Oct 2, 2019, 1:38 PM



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A good evening for freighter watching. After the storms today the water was a sheet of glass.

Oct 1, 2019, 10:01 PM

The lunar landing wasn't that impressive if you had ever visited Riverside boat launch. We are working to change that.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/10/01/like-surface-moon-crews-begin-riverside-boat-launch-reconstruction/3822108002/>

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**Beautification Commission (3-year term) - Appointed by City Council**

1/30/2020 Board Vacancy  
 1/30/2022 Board Vacancy  
 1/30/2020 Board Vacancy  
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**Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (3-year term) - Appointed by Mayor with Council approval**

4/14/2018 Board Vacancy

**Local Development Finance Authority (4-year term) - Appointed by Mayor with Council approval**

6/11/2018 Board Vacancy  
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**Rental Housing Board of Appeals (3-year term) - Appointed by City Manager with Council approval**

6/10/2019 Board Vacancy - Resident, neither tenant nor landlord

**Sister City Commission (3-year term) - Appointed by City Council**

4/12/2018 Board Vacancy

**Tax Increment Finance Authority (4-year term) - Appointed by Mayor with Council approval**

9/14/2018 Board Vacancy  
 9/14/2017 Board Vacancy

Looking for an opportunity to serve your community? Here is a list of vacant boards and commission seats we need filled. You can fill out an application here:

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Oct 1, 2019, 9:32 AM

More on our Comprehensive Financial Plan to address our unfunded pension liabilities.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/09/28/port-huron-borrow-funds-solve-looming-retiree-pension-conundrum/3777825002/>

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We've worked hard to be good stewards of the taxpayer's money and to be transparent in the process.

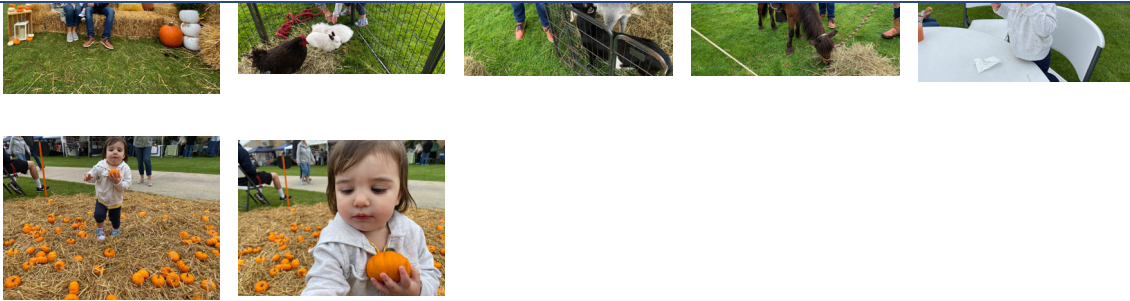
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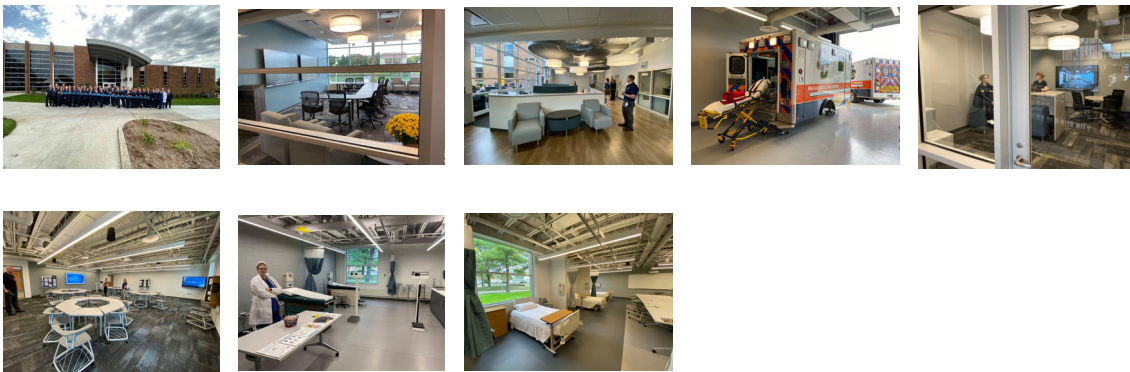
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It's Fall!

Sep 28, 2019, 1:41 PM



Amazing to tour the new \$9.8 million Health Sciences Building at St. Clair County Community College. What an amazing asset to have in the heart of Downtown Port Huron!

Sep 27, 2019, 11:19 AM



With the help of a \$300k Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant the complete reconstruction of Riverside Boat Launch has begun, including upgraded bathrooms. This site draws thousands of boaters and anglers to Port Huron and is a key economic driver.

Sep 27, 2019, 10:27 AM





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Intruder.

Sep 26, 2019, 5:16 PM

My closing remarks from last night...This is about our kids. It's about their futures. It's about freeing our kids from the unfair burden of unfunded liabilities so that they can build their our dreams and futures. This is the moral question of our time.

<https://youtu.be/2MaOjaBiecA>

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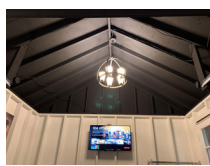
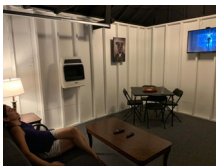
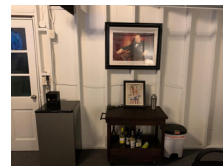
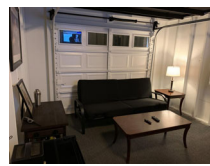
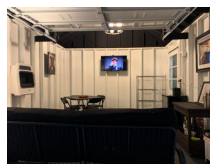
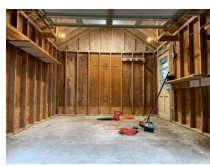
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Yesterday we delivered to the Mayor and Council our Comprehensive Financial Plan to deal with unfunded pension liabilities. You can learn more here:

<https://youtu.be/q0i4DksiBa4>

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Sep 24, 2019, 11:50 AM



"He Shed" project complete! Thanks States Painting Co. for the help!

Sep 22, 2019, 8:28 PM



I held two town hall meetings with our 240 full-time employees over the last two weeks to present our Comprehensive Financial Plan in regards to our unfunded liabilities. I will present the plan Monday evening to the Mayor and Council. You can live-stream the meeting here:  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC\\_PQHwFEcWXDc77mBTOMqWQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_PQHwFEcWXDc77mBTOMqWQ)

Sep 20, 2019, 8:18 PM

"Lucy, my daughter does not have the luxury of choosing what kind of world she's going to grow up in. Our children's future, what world they grow up in, we're going to make those decisions today"

<https://www.wphm.net/episode/september-19-james-freed/>  
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Lots of bikers finishing their cross-state ride from South Haven to Port Huron on the Great Lake to Lake Trail! Welcome to the City of Port Huron, the Maritime Capital of the Great Lakes!

Sep 18, 2019, 3:34 PM





So proud of @[78958331863:274:City of Port Huron Parks & Recreation Department] Director Nancy Winzer for speaking at the Aspen Institute Project Play Summit in Detroit today. Recreation leaders from all over the world are learning from her!

Sep 18, 2019, 2:34 PM

"Really this is about is equity and making sure that we have equitable opportunity and equitable chance in this time of growth."

<https://ebw.tv/spotlight-james-freed-port-huron-economy/>

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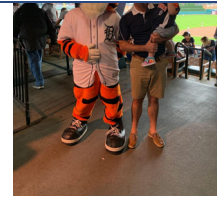
New trailhead for the Great Lake to Lake Trail at Lighthouse Beach. A special thanks to Sanctum Contracting & Building Co for doing a great job on a tight timeline! Also, thank you to the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation and the Community Foundation of St. Clair County for funding this project. Inaugural cross-state ride ends here tomorrow!

Sep 17, 2019, 8:08 PM



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Let's go Tigers!

Sep 15, 2019, 1:54 PM



Crews are hard at work this weekend finishing up the Michigan & Quay St Project. This was a complete reconstruction of roads, water and sewer. We added almost 30 new on-street angle parking spots along Michigan.

Sep 15, 2019, 10:51 AM



My cute breakfast date.

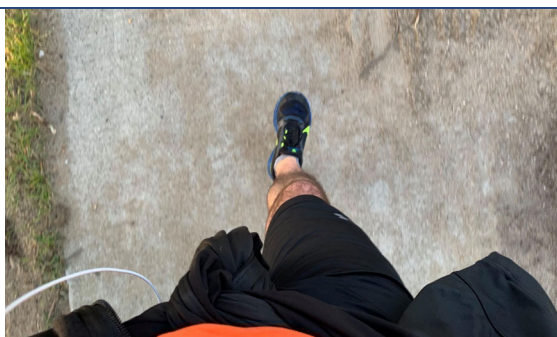
Sep 15, 2019, 10:48 AM





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Gorgeous morning for run along the coast.

Sep 15, 2019, 8:09 AM



What an awesome afternoon in the Olde Town Historic District Neighborhood for the porch concert series! Such a wonderful event.

Sep 14, 2019, 3:09 PM



Best Friends Forever.

Sep 12, 2019, 7:34 PM



The greatest honor of my life is leading the hardworking dedicated men and women of the City of Port Huron. It's been great getting a chance to talk with them this week and take their questions.

Sep 10, 2019, 4:21 PM



@[739780766218739:274:Port Huron Fire Department]'s new Underwater Rescue Team. Members received their dive pins at the Council meeting last night.

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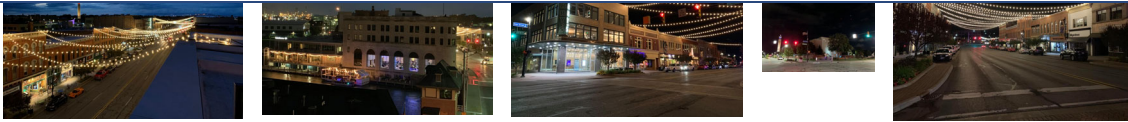
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Downtown Port Huron is special at night.

Sep 7, 2019, 9:48 PM

We are so excited about this new Great Lake to Lake Trail. Next week you will notice construction beginning on the Port Huron Trailhead located at Lighthouse Beach. A huge red buoy will mark the end of the trail. Throughout the next couple of years you will find enhancements throughout our city to increase bike lanes and trails to create a more bike friendly community.

<https://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/2019/09/275-mile-trail-linking-lake-michigan-lake-huron-will-open-with-inaugural-ride.html>

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Winston got fat.

Place: [North River Animal Hospital](#) (43.018784018938, -82.454329087883)

Address: 2909 N River Rd, Fort Gratiot, Michigan 48059

Sep 6, 2019, 11:11 AM



Congratulations to the three Chassis Port Huron facilities for being awarded GM Supplier Excellence Awards! Amazing work being done in our Industrial Park!

Sep 5, 2019, 10:12 AM

The Health Sciences Building contains classes for the school's nursing, radiology tech, health information technology and other health related medical fields of study. Simulating the look and feel of a real hospital, preparing students for their experiences in the field right in @127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron!

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/09/04/9-8-million-later-sc-4-health-science-renovations-bring-field-classroom/2164552001/>

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Labor Day naps.

Sep 2, 2019, 4:12 PM



I personally installed this new lamppost light this weekend in the front yard. A great \$49 Lowe's special. Let's see if it burns up with my wiring skills!

Sep 2, 2019, 2:00 PM

The Port Huron Industrial Park is currently at a hundred percent full — not one vacant building in the industrial park. We have a lot of companies who are looking to expand and build here, so we want to make sure we have a site ready for them to build. This \$100,000 grant to site prep city-owned land will help expedite additional job creation. In the last 48 months we have seen almost \$100 million of new investment and 2,000 new jobs in our park.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/09/01/port-huron-making-room-new-business-industrial-park-thanks-state-grant/2166779001/>

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Hi.

Hi.

Aug 31, 2019, 7:27 PM



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Lucy took a tumble today and got a big goose egg. Like new overactive parents we had her checked out. All good!

Aug 31, 2019, 2:53 PM



Winston has just given up.

Aug 30, 2019, 6:45 PM





Doctor's visits can be so sad that they are cute. A few seasonal sniffles, all good.

Aug 29, 2019, 4:55 PM



Nothing gets better than this. My world weighs 24.8lbs.





That American Century is one of my favorite freighters on the Great Lakes. Perfect day to watch is pass by.

Aug 24, 2019, 8:40 PM



Friday night dinner at Ted' Coney Island!

Aug 23, 2019, 6:02 PM

Beginning in September we will begin live-streaming our City Council meetings on YouTube in addition to our live Comcast broadcast. This will allow more residents access to viewing, as many don't have Comcast and digital entertainment evolves to more online based. It can also be shared





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Here is Ft. Director Jim Brennan testing the new HD camera lenses and live-stream equipment.

<https://youtu.be/xvgjnNpsLUc?t=23>

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Friends.

Aug 22, 2019, 4:53 PM

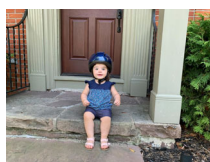


"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." -Genesis 1:1



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Summer evenings are the most fun.

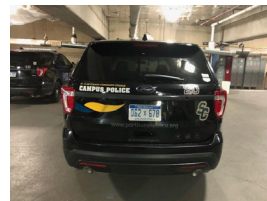
Aug 20, 2019, 9:45 PM

Hotel Harrington exterior rehab on tap for Historic District Commission this week. Huge win for @127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron and will be open before the new year.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/08/17/hotel-harrington-exterior-rehab-historic-district-commission/2032321001/>

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with a College Resource Officer and Patrol Unit. Officer Chris Smith is experienced, decorated and will do a fantastic job.

Aug 15, 2019, 7:46 PM

We are one of the very few communities in the state that have a Rapid Dive Rescue trained fire department as @[739780766218739:274:Port Huron Fire Department] now has....Check out the video, these men and women are fast! Just imagine all of our coastline. The dive gear will be on every responding engine, because every second counts.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/08/14/port-huron-firefighters-complete-training-underwater-rescue-team/2000417001/>

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It's a gorgeous day in Port Huron and an excellent time to take a moment and enjoy the progress we have made as partners, collaborators and friends.

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Aug 14, 2019, 3:54 PM



Hard to leave my breakfast buddy in the mornings. Scrambled eggs and little smokies are Lucy's favorite.

Aug 13, 2019, 7:26 AM

Automation company to invest \$14.4 million, create 176 jobs in Port Huron. Huge win for our community and region!

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/08/07/automation-company-invest-14-4-million-create-176-jobs-port-huron/1941675001/>

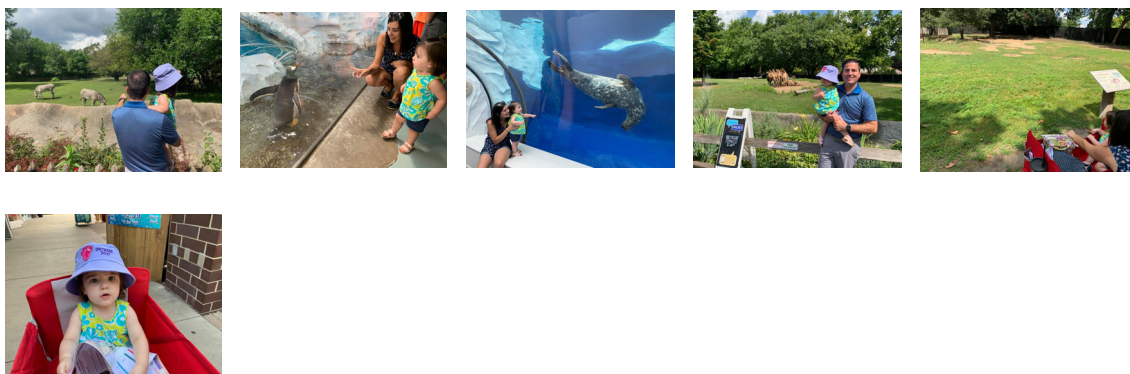
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Place: [Detroit Zoo](#) (42.476771793578, -83.151426116567)

Address: 8450 W 10 Mile Rd, Royal Oak, Michigan 48067

Zoo!

Aug 7, 2019, 12:33 PM



Cool piece of history. The original McMorran Place Sports & Entertainment Center Zamboni. Built on a Willy's/Jeep chassis. We still have it in storage. Perhaps we should restore it for parades?

Aug 6, 2019, 2:42 PM



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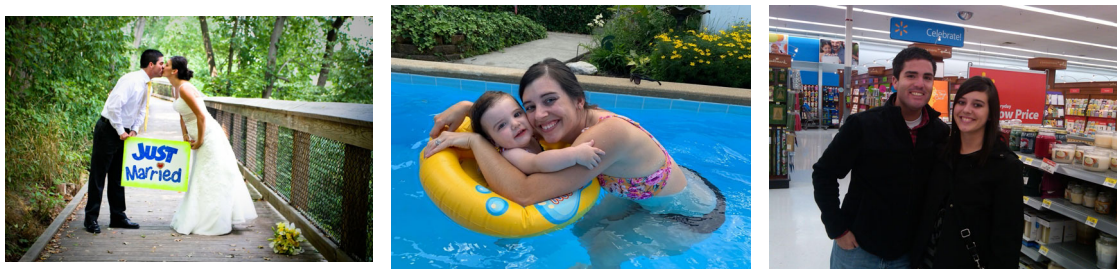
So much cool stuff happening in @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron] right now. Just an exciting time to be working in the office.

Aug 5, 2019, 2:32 PM



Gorgeous evening cruising the Black River with friends. Thanks, Michigan Boat Rentals!

Aug 4, 2019, 9:37 PM



Happy 7th Anniversary to my best friend and wife! Lucy and I love you.





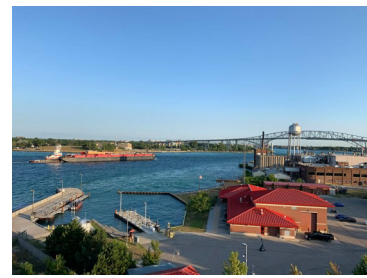
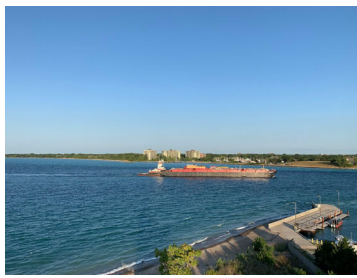
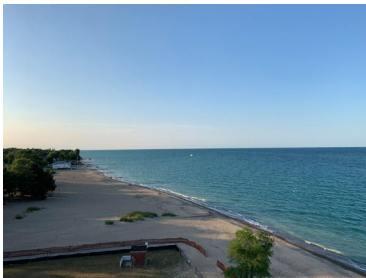
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Winston has earned his Dog Chow for the day for volunteering to be a pillow.

Aug 1, 2019, 9:11 PM



The view from the Fort Gratiot Lighthouse just never gets old.

Aug 1, 2019, 8:22 PM



It was an honor to speak to the Michigan Association of Mayors this afternoon here in Port Huron and talk about the progress being made in our community. Mayor Repp is hosting her colleagues from across our state this week for their annual conference.

Aug 1, 2019, 1:22 PM

[BoatNerd.com](http://www.boatnerd.com), a website for Great Lakes freighter enthusiasts, recently announced its popular Port Huron webcam has returned and is now streaming 24/7 from atop the city's municipal building.

[http://www.voicenews.com/life/port-huron-boat-watching-webcam-back-up-and-running/article\\_e97f8616-b2f7-11e9-9161-db8530558b5f.html](http://www.voicenews.com/life/port-huron-boat-watching-webcam-back-up-and-running/article_e97f8616-b2f7-11e9-9161-db8530558b5f.html)

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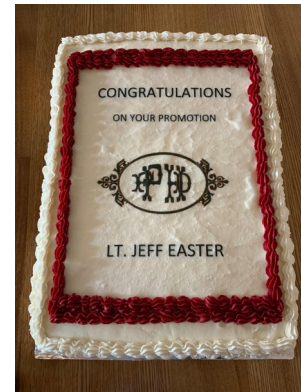


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they do for our region and city. we are lucky to have them here!

Jul 30, 2019, 11:59 AM



Congrats to Port Huron Fire Department newest Lieutenant, Jeff Easter.

Jul 29, 2019, 10:30 AM



A Sunday full of Church, Sam's Club hot dogs, backyard water table and wagon rides. Perfect!

Jul 28, 2019, 8:59 PM

Almost 700 classic cars came to @[127771327250587:274:Downtown Port Huron]! Thank you to all the volunteers from @[192969208239179:274:Mainstreet Memories] for making this event possible! Huge win for our community.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/2019/07/27/mainstreet-memories-takes-over-downtown/1846795001/?fbclid=IwAR3miLk05WJGZOIsRldkYmUilnYBFESgu3ktH-EGtyu0Qk5j57D-A5cJ90>

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