

Hi, this is Mayor John Coiro.

Through last week, the total number of positive cases of Totowa residents is 1,188. This figure is 282 higher than my last message to you. This past week, we had 35 positive cases and our town has been trending lower, which is good news. But we must stay vigilant with the preventive measures we have been practicing as restrictions continue to loosen.

By now you know that the corona virus vaccine is in short supply and demand outstrips the supply. Hopefully, with new vaccines being approved, there will be more available to all of us. The NJ Department of Health has established a COVID vaccine website where residents can go to sign up and pre-register for the vaccine. The website to register is <https://covidvaccine.nj.gov>. The phone number is (855) 568-0545. Information related to the distribution of the vaccine and other pertinent information can be found there. Passaic County has also established a website for County residents and the website address is PassaicCountyNJ.org and you click on vaccine information to register. Their phone number is (973) 881-2790. And you can register for the City of Paterson vaccination center at this same site as Paterson has vaccines delivered weekly. You can also go to the Totowa website or our Totowa Facebook page to obtain the links to these websites.

If any senior citizen is having trouble navigating the website or getting an appointment, our Library staff is available to help starting today, March 1. Please contact the Library at (973) 790-3265 or online at Totowapl@gmail.com and our staff will attempt to help you make an appointment.

With respect to the rash of snowstorms we have been experiencing this winter, and hopefully we are done with snow, I appreciate everyone's conformity to our ordinance and keeping your cars off the street until the streets have been plowed. It certainly helps with the amount of snow we have been getting. For those residents that have fire hydrants on their properties, the hydrants must remain accessible in case of emergency. Please do not pile up snow in front of the hydrants and keep the access to the hydrants as clear as possible.

I will send another message as events warrant.

Thank you'