



# The City of Garfield Heights

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**TO:** City of Garfield Heights Employees, Residents and Council Members  
**DATES:** September 23, 2021  
**FROM:** Mayor Matthew A. Burke  
**RE:** COVID-19 Notification

A City of Garfield Heights employee has tested positive for COVID-19 on September 16, 2021. A thorough investigation has been completed and the details and recommendations are outlined below.

## Details

- The City employee was not generally exposed to senior center guests or other employees for an extensive period of time, as defined by the CDC.
- The employee wore a face mask when any interaction took place at work.
- The employee was out of the building (not working) 48 hours before symptoms first appeared.
- The employee is practicing quarantine protocols and will not return to work until a negative COVID-19 test is received.
- The employee is adhering to all COVID-19 protocols.

## Recommendations:

As part of the investigative process, the Cuyahoga Board of Health was contacted and provided the following recommendations to the City of Garfield Heights:

- Everyone should continue wearing face masks at all times outside of your home.
- Everyone should continue to maintain social distancing (as mandated by the CDC).
- If you are not vaccinated, it is not too late to get vaccinated.
- Per the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, quarantine is not required because of this particular employee situation. Any symptoms would have already appeared within the last week.
- If anyone has had symptoms or develops symptoms, seek medical care immediately.
- The City has continued rigorous disinfecting protocols throughout the entire pandemic.
- If a Senior Center guest has concerns about visiting the Senior Center, please contact Social Services Director Kathy Rush Parsson or her assistant, Joe Snyder at 216-475-3244. Kathy or Joe will arrange to have your daily meal delivered to your home.

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