



Town of Hilton Head Island TOWN MANAGER UPDATE

An Update from Deputy Town Manager Josh Gruber 12/2/2020

Good afternoon Hilton Head Islanders and Guests,

Here's an update on what's happening around Town:

Town Council Extends Mask Requirement Ordinance

In the health and public safety interest of Town residents and guests, the Town Council voted to extend its Emergency Ordinance requiring individuals to wear face coverings in certain circumstances and locations in the Municipal limits of the Town, effective now through January 31, 2021. Town Council cited following recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control among reasons for continuing to extend the ordinance. Both agencies advise the use of cloth or other types of face coverings to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our communities and reduce the demand on the local health care delivery system.

Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue Telecommunicators Receives Resuscitation Trailblazer Award

RQI Partners and the Resuscitation Academy Foundation presented our Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue Telecommunicators, our 911 dispatchers, with the “*Resuscitation Trailblazer*” Award. The award signifies Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue’s commitment to furthering resuscitation education, improving telephone CPR practices, and ultimately, increasing cardiac arrest survival. RQI Partners is a partnership between the American Heart Association and Laerdal Medical that is dedicated to improving survival from cardiac arrest by bringing new solutions to resuscitation education and quality improvement. We salute our Fire Rescue for advancing resuscitation education and preparing public safety telecommunicators to provide telephone CPR.

Santa and Sirens Coming to Your Neighborhood

Be on the lookout for Santa coming through Island neighborhoods this week. From December 1st to 3rd and from December 7th to 11th, Santa will be spreading holiday cheer as he tours the neighborhoods with Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue. This is something Santa and our Fire Rescue Division looks forward to each year. So plan on being out with your family to see Santa. Check out culturehhi.org for a list of the neighborhoods Fire Rescue will bring Santa to each evening, beginning at 6 p.m. A word of caution: please practice safe, physical distancing while waiting for and watching the arrival of the fire trucks and Santa.



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Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue Collecting Food and Toys for the Deep Well Project

Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue is collecting non-perishable food items and new unwrapped toys for the Deep Well Project. New unwrapped toys for children ages 1-12 may be dropped off by December 11th, at Fire Station #3, 534 William Hilton Parkway (next to First Presbyterian Church). With what we've experienced this year due to COVID-19, many families and individuals may need some help during the holidays.

Holiday Help for Families

Do you need help this holiday season? If so, check out the community resource page of our COVID-19 Hub on the website. There you can find information on numerous holiday help programs for families and individuals in our community.

COVID-19 Testing

Drive-thru testing for COVID-19 is available from 8 a.m. to noon at Hilton Head Hospital (25 Hospital Center Blvd. on Hilton Head Island) and Coastal Carolina Hospital (1000 Medical Center Drive in Hardeeville). The test is free. No appointment or doctor's order is needed.