

December 8, 2021

Good evening,

This is First Selectman Jason Bowsza reaching out to all residents of the Town of East Windsor.

COVID-19 has been back in the news lately, due to the emergence of the new omicron variant. While much is still unknown about this latest incarnation, we do know that cases are significantly increasing in East Windsor. This week alone, we've had thirty-one positive cases reported by the local health district – nearly a record. Please stay vigilant, wear a mask, wash your hands, and get vaccinated.

Our Community Services Department is in need of some help as we approach the Christmas holiday. We still need about 100 hams and 100 \$25 gift cards to local grocery stores for next week's distribution event. If anyone is interested in giving, please reach out to Community Services by next Tuesday, 12/14.

The Town is holding our annual Holiday lights contest. This is open to residents and businesses in East Windsor. To sign up, please call 860-627-6662 by the end of the week. After that, a driving tour map will be available indicating where all the participating lights can be found. Prizes for the best displays are gift cards to local restaurants.

There are two great community events taking place on December 18th. At noon, we'll be commemorating our Wreaths Across America event at Windsorville United Methodist Church. Later that night, we will be holding our annual Torchlight parade at 5:30p from East Windsor Middle School to Broad Brook Fire Department.

One other upcoming event to mention: On New Year's Day, the American Heritage River Commission will host their annual New Year's Day hike beginning at the end of Melrose Road at 1pm. This is one of the best heritage hikes in the state of Connecticut, and typically draws more than 200 people.

I wish you continued good health, and a wonderful holiday season.