

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

FIRST SELECTMAN JASON E. BOWSZA

October 21, 2020

Good evening. This is First Selectman Jason Bowsza reaching out to all town residents.

This year has been difficult for a lot of people for many reasons, and our Town government has tried to find new ways of providing services to our community. I am grateful for the efforts of our municipal employees throughout this year.

While Town facilities are not open to the extent that they were pre-pandemic, we are servicing residents in the lobby of Town Hall, where our staff will be happy to assist you. The Town Hall Annex continues to service residents through a newly installed drop box, or over the phone. The Senior Center has been doing in-person activities for weeks, although they've all been outside so far. As the weather changes, we are looking to restart indoor activities in a modified fashion.

We are trying to bring some joy to the fall season by hosting a drive-through trick-or-treat event for children in our community, which will be next Thursday from 5pm to 7pm at East Windsor Park. More than twenty town departments and local businesses will have booths set up (respecting public health guidelines) so that our children can safely enjoy Halloween. We have also started to plan for the holiday season food and toy drives, and we will have more information on that next week.

We have had two new cases of COVID-19 among East Windsor residents reported to us this week by our local health district, but the Connecticut Department of Public Health is reporting a total of 224 confirmed cases in town since the onset of the pandemic, and increase of 16 cases. The two entities are working on reconciling the information. In Connecticut, there have been 64,871 cases as of yesterday.

The Town continues to partner with East Windsor Public Schools and with Priority Urgent Care to offer live virus testing and antibody testing at East Windsor High School every Wednesday from 10am to 3pm. This is open to anyone, all insurances are accepted, and copays are waived. Anyone interested is strongly encouraged to schedule appointments ahead of time by calling 860-454-0678. If Wednesday's aren't convenient for you, you can find an alternate testing site by visiting ct.gov/coronavirus.

Some things have been different this year, and they may stay different until the pandemic winds down. But we can change the way we've always done things and still enjoy our families, friends and community. Einstein said, "the world as we have created it is a process of our thinking. It cannot be changed without changing our thinking."

I wish you continued good health,

Jason E. Bowsza First Selectman