

Update on COVID-19

Chief Pegg, Fire Chief & General Manager of Emergency Management **April 28**, 2020 at 3:45 p.m.

Members' Lounge, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen St. W

Good afternoon.

As a city, we continue to provide the essential and critical services that our residents both need and rely on each and every day in Toronto. All aspects of EOC operations continue to operate 7 days per week, ensuring that both critical and essential services are being provided without interruption. I am proud of every member of our City of Toronto team, who continues to work hard in support of our residents each day.

This morning, I met with Mr. Saad Rafi, who as you know, is now leading the City's Recovery and Rebuild Office. While, as a City, we are still very much working our way through the response to COVID-19, our teams are connecting proactively and will work together in collaboration as we plan for the transition from response to recovery.

In my role as the COVID-19 Incident Commander, I will ensure that our EOC and associated COVID-19 response teams remain directly connected with Mr. Rafi's teams, such that a well-coordinated transition to recovery is achieved.

At present, our personal protective equipment levels remain stable, and our team continues to work hard to source the equipment that we need on a go-forward basis. I am pleased to report that we have taken delivery of an additional supply of face shields that are now being tested and evaluated before being placed into inventory. Additional orders are also expected to arrive in Toronto over the next two weeks.

In closing, I also want to acknowledge and thank every resident, business owner and everyone in our city who is being impacted as we do our very best to stop the spread of COVID-19.

We are truly all in this together.

As always, I remind everyone that Toronto.ca/COVID-19 is the best source for reliable and timely information on COVID-19 in Toronto.

Thank you.

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