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GEORGE LATIMER, Westchester County Executive

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May 26: County Executive George Latimer Gives Briefing On Phase I Reopening

Latimer was joined by Director of Economic Development Bridget Gibbons to discuss the County's path forward

View County Executive George Latimer's full press event here: <https://youtu.be/pVzTdm82UjU>

MAP AND NUMBERS TO BE CIRCULATED WHEN AVAILABLE

PHASE ONE REOPENING

In order to begin Phase One, the Mid-Hudson Region (which encompasses Westchester, as well as Rockland, Orange, Putnam, Sullivan, Ulster, and Dutchess Counties) has meet seven separate benchmarks.

- Description of Metrics: These metrics have been established based on guidance from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the World Health Organization, the U.S. Department of State, and other public health experts.
 - Metric #1—Decline in Total Hospitalizations.
 - Metric #2—Decline in Deaths.
 - Metric #3—New Hospitalizations.
 - Metric #4—Hospital Bed Capacity.

- Metric #5—ICU Bed Capacity.
- Metric #6—Diagnostic Testing Capacity.
- Metric #7—Contact Tracing Capacity.

TO REOPEN BUSINESSES MUST

- Each company seeking to reopen must document a detailed plan for a safe reopening.
- Each company seeking to reopen must read the detailed Guidance provided by NYS and submit an affirmation.
- Phase 1 reopening under Governor Cuomo’s plan includes the following industries and businesses.

Construction

- Building Equipment Contractors
- Building Finishing Contractors
- Foundation, Structure, and Building Exterior Contractors
- Highway, Street and Bridge Construction
- Land Subdivision
- Nonresidential Building Construction
- Residential Building Construction
- Utility System Construction

Manufacturing

- Apparel Manufacturing
- Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing
- Electric Lighting Equipment Manufacturing
- Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing
- Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing
- Leather and Allied Product Manufacturing
- Machinery Manufacturing
- Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
- Paper Manufacturing
- Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing
- Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing
- Printing and Related Support Activities
- Textile Mills
- Textile Product Mills
- Wood Product Manufacturing
- Other Miscellaneous Manufacturing

Wholesale Trade

- Apparel, Piece Goods, and Notions Merchant Wholesalers

- Chemical and Allied Products Merchant Wholesalers
- Furniture and Home Furnishing Merchant Wholesalers
- Household Appliances and Electrical and Electronic Goods Merchant Wholesalers
- Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
- Metal and Mineral (except Petroleum) Merchant Wholesalers
- Paper and Paper Product Merchant Wholesalers
- Professional and Commercial Equipment and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
- Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers
- Miscellaneous Durable Goods Merchant Wholesalers
- Miscellaneous Non-durable Goods Merchant Wholesalers

Retail Delivery, curbside, and in-store pickup service only for the following businesses:

- Clothing Stores
- Direct Selling Establishments
- Electronics and Appliance Stores
- Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order Houses
- Furniture and Home Furnishing Stores
- Florists
- General Merchandise Stores
- Health and Personal Care Stores
- Jewelry, Luggage, and Leather Goods Stores
- Lawn and Garden Equipment and Supplies Stores
- Office Supplies, Stationery, and Gift Stores
- Used Merchandise Stores
- Shoe Stores
- Sporting Goods, Hobby, Musical Instrument and Book Stores
- Other Miscellaneous Store Retailers

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

- Other Crop Production
- Support Activities for Animal Production
- Support Activities for Crop Production
- Support Activities for Forestry
- Other Animal Production

ALL PHASES

- **Phase One:**
 - Construction
 - Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting
 - Retail (Limited to curbside or in-store pickup or drop off)
 - Manufacturing
 - Wholesale Trade
- **Phase Two:**
 - Professional Services
 - Retail
 - Administrative Support

- Real Estate / Rental & Leasing

- **Phase Three:**

- Restaurants / Food Services

- **Phase Four:**

- Arts / Entertainment / Recreation
- Education

Phases will last a minimum of two weeks.

About Westchester County

Westchester County, located in the heart of the historic Hudson Valley, covers 500 square miles and has a population of just under a million. Originally home to Native Americans, who were members of the Lenape tribe, it is today a rich mix of many cultures and landscapes. The County is a blend of bustling cities, quaint villages and picturesque towns as well as open spaces and a network of beautiful parks. Westchester is made up of 6 cities, 19 towns and 20 villages. Westchester County is known for top-notch public schools, and a high quality of life. The County is also an intellectual capital, boasting a highly educated workforce, competitive colleges and universities, Fortune 500 companies, world changing non-profits, and cutting-edge research centers. Westchester is led by County Executive George Latimer, who took office in January 2018 as the ninth County Executive. Using inclusion and openness as a foreground, Latimer is fighting to make Westchester a destination for all people to live, work and enjoy. Learn more about Westchester County by visiting www.westchestergov.com

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