

# Broome County COVID-19 Response

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
OCTOBER 8, 2020 – 5PM





# Introduction

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Broome County Executive

Jason T. Garnar

# Agenda

## Introduction

- County Executive Jason Garnar

## Current Situation

- Statistics
- State of Emergency

## Emergency Services

- Emergency Operations Center
- Mobile Testing

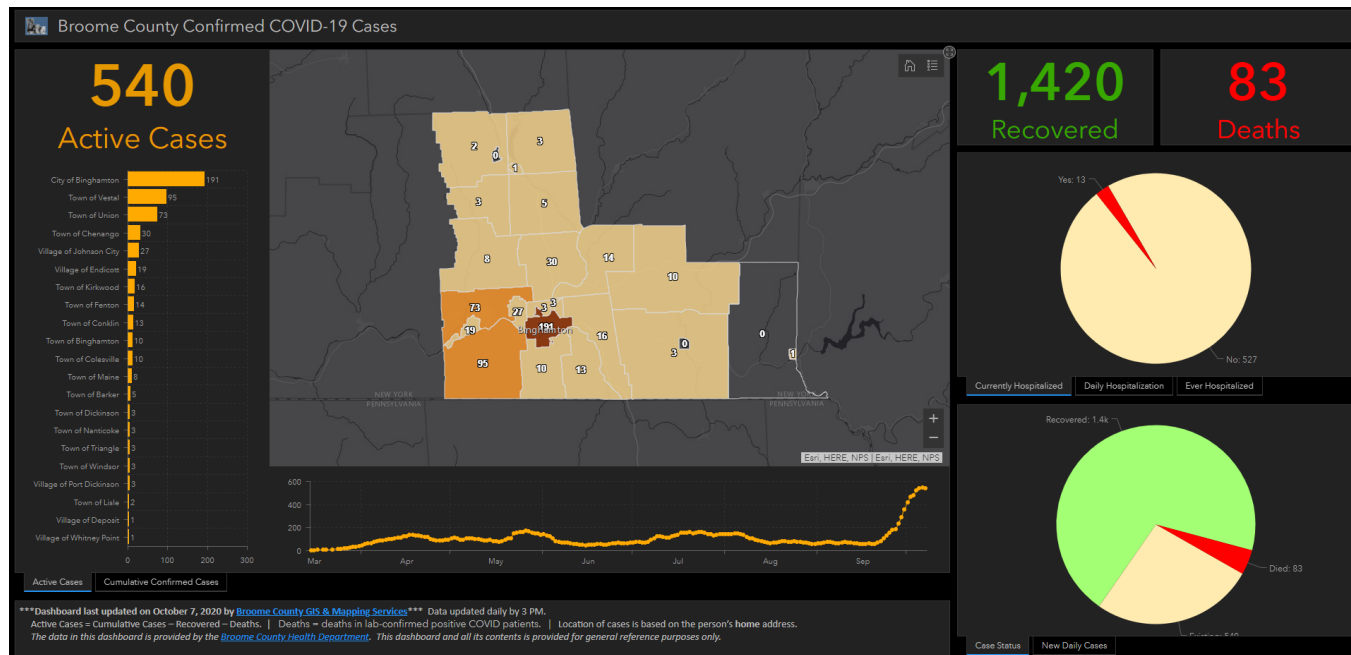
## Health Department

- Cluster
- Yellow Zone

# Current Situation

COVID-19 Monitoring Status				
	7/9	8/13	9/16	10/7
Currently Monitoring	301	536	607	<b>2363</b>
Currently Pending	8	11	3	<b>13</b>
Currently Completed	23597	35331	50723	<b>52194</b>

COVID-19 Test Status			
	7/9	8/13	9/16
Total # Tested	21755	32067	46077
# with Negative Result	21023	30980	44762
# with Positive Result	723	1087	1315



As of 10/7/20, 4PM

## STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

A State of Emergency is hereby declared in Broome County  
effective at: (area within municipality, or entire municipality)

3:30pm on March 14, 2020.  
(time) (date)

This State of Emergency has been declared due to COVID-19 outbreak

(description of situation)

This situation threatens the public safety.

This State of Emergency will remain in effect for thirty (30) days or until rescinded by a subsequent order.

As the Chief Executive of Broome County  
(name of municipality)

I, Jason T. Garnar, exercise the authority given me under  
(name of Chief Executive)

Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law, to preserve the public safety and hereby render all required and available assistance vital to the security, well-being, and health of the citizens of this Municipality.

I hereby direct all departments and agencies of

Broome County to take whatever steps necessary to  
(name of municipality)

protect life and property, public infrastructure, and provide such emergency assistance deemed necessary.

Jason T. Garnar  
(Name)

  
(Signature)

County Executive  
(Title)

March 14, 2020  
(Date)

# State of Emergency

- State of Emergency was formally declared by the County Executive on March 14, 2020 due to COVID-19.
- Currently 1 active Emergency Orders

# Emergency Services

## Emergency Operations Center

- EOC was formally opened on March 12, 2020
- We are currently at a Level 1 activation (Enhanced Monitoring).
- Working to provide situational awareness, logistics management, and support Health Department when needed.
- Supporting Schools
- Logistics in process of placing a seconding order of PPE for schools.





# Mobile Testing

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- Stood up mobile testing site
- Converted BC Transit Bus to be a laboratory
- Completed hundreds of tests
- St. Patrick's – Oak Street Binghamton
  - Monday – Friday 1p - 7p



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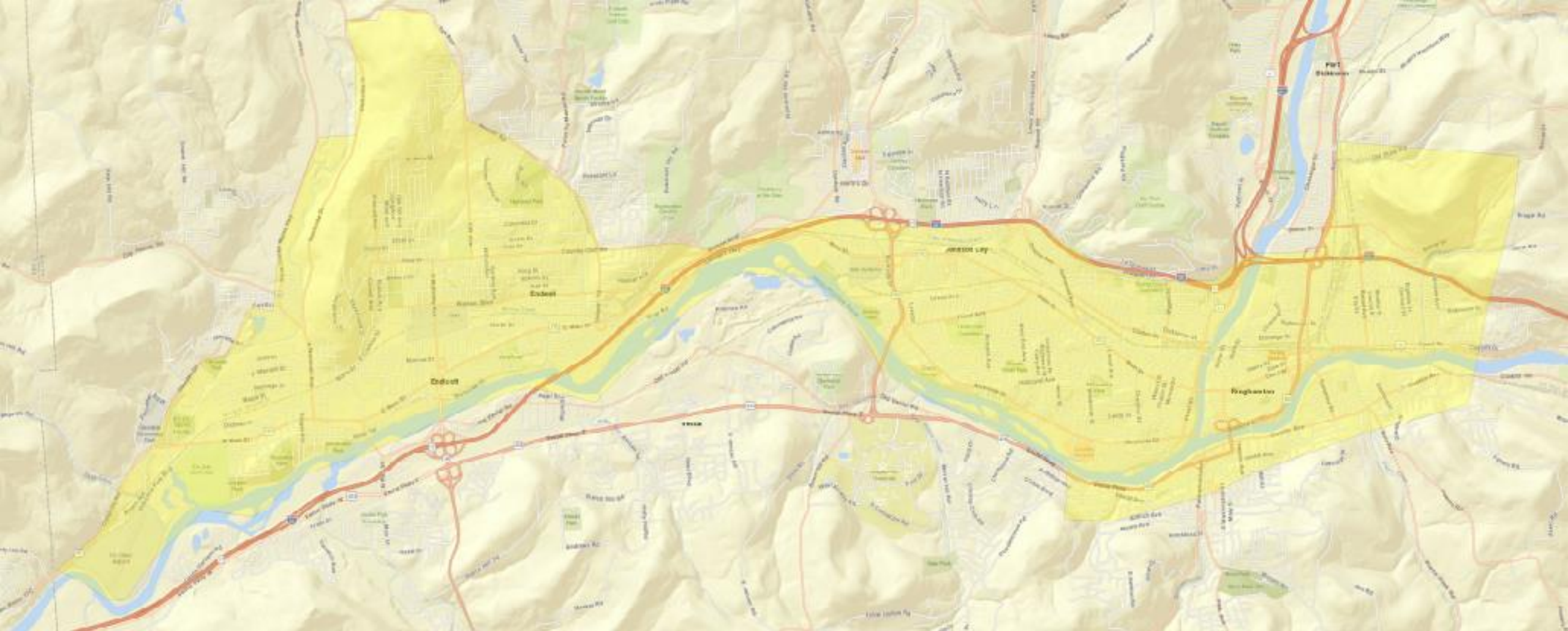
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- Abbot ID Now – 15-minute rapid tests
- 8 machines on bus
- 13 being pushed into the community



# Health Department

- ❖ Positive cases have taken a dramatic increase – we had been steadily around 50 active cases and now at 540 active cases.
- ❖ 2300 people are in quarantine in Broome County
  - ❖ Staff from other County Departments reassigned and assisting
  - ❖ NYS DOH staff assisting



Governor Cuomo's New Cluster Action Initiative

# Yellow Zone – Precautionary Zone

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- ❖ House of Worship - 50 percent capacity
- ❖ Mass Gatherings: 25 people maximum, indoor and outdoor
- ❖ Businesses: Open
- ❖ Dining: Indoor and outdoor dining, 4 person max per table
- ❖ Schools: Open with mandatory weekly testing of student and teachers/staff for in-person settings. The NYSDOH will establish a percentage of teachers/staff who need to be tested by Friday 10/9.

# Legislator Questions



Rebecca A. Kaufman, Director  
Public Health Department



Michael A. Ponticiello, Director  
Office of Emergency Services