

May 16, 2018 (12 pm) – Important Information:

This morning First Selectman Rosenthal declared a state of emergency in Newtown.

Our Emergency Management Team is coordinating with Eversource to direct resources to areas in town that are completely cut off by downed trees and wires, which include but are not limited to: Route 34 / Chestnut Hill Road, Lakeview Terrace, Black Bridge Road / Walnut Tree Hill Road, Lower Pootatuck Park / Edgelake, Currituck Road / Tunnel Road. Please note, the order of priority is to first clear all roads for emergency vehicles before power restoration efforts begin.

The First Selectman is working in conjunction with our state delegation (Sen. Hwang and Rep. Bolinsky) to ensure that Eversource provides the necessary resources to our community.

The Emergency Management Team will reconvene this afternoon and additional updates will be forthcoming via email and/or the Code Red phone messaging system.

We are sorry for those without power and we are working to rectify the situation as quickly as possible.

Newtown's First Selectman and the Emergency Management Office urge residents to be safe and stay informed.

Safety First:

**Do not use outside cooking equipment inside
Keep generator exhaust away from residence
Stay away from power lines**

Residents can come to locations listed below to seek relief/assistance

Cell phone/electronic equipment charging

The Municipal Center, located at Fairfield Hills is open today Wed 7 am to 8 pm, Thurs and Friday from 7 am to 5 pm

Newtown Senior Center at 14 Riverside Rd, Sandy Hook, Mon thru Fri 8 am to 4:30 pm

Cyrenius Booth Library, 25 Main Street, Newtown. Tel (203) 426-4533

Hours: Mon thru Thurs – 9:30 am to 8 pm, Fri – 11 am to 5 pm; Sat 9:30 am to 5 pm; Sun 12 to 5 pm

Showers

Newtown High School, 12 Berkshire Road, Sandy Hook Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 5 am to 10 pm. Enter at Main Entrance. Will update if/as necessary

NYA Sports and Fitness, 4 Primrose Street, located at Fairfield Hills, 5:30 am to 8 pm, check in at front desk

Water

The Fire houses in your neighborhood. Fill from a hose, bring your own containers.

Park & Rec Garage (across from Reed School). Fill from a hose, bring your own containers.

Special Health Needs/Questions

Contact Donna Culbert, Newtown Health District, tel 203-270-4291 or e-mail donna.culbert@newtown-ct.gov

We ask that you please check on any elderly or frail neighbors to be certain they are doing OK.

Important numbers and contact information:

If there is a Life Safety Emergency – call 911

Power outage – call 800-286-2000

Code Red – register at Emergency Management on the Public Safety page on the Town of Newtown's website <http://www.newtown-ct.gov/emergency-management> or call 203-270-4370 for assistance;

Smart 911 – register at Emergency Management on the Public Safety page on the Town of Newtown's website <http://www.newtown-ct.gov/emergency-management>

Check **the News tab on the Town website:** www.newtown-ct.gov
You can register there too to receive news.

Connecticut's free information and referral service: call 2-1-1 or visit www.211ct.org

First Selectman's office Tel (203) 270-4201
Emergency Management/Fire Marshal Tel (203) 270-4370
Health District Tel (203) 270-4291