

Town of Simsbury

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## Town of Simsbury Storm Isaias Update

The Town of Simsbury is expecting a multiday power outage due to Tropical Storm Isaias. We are currently experiencing a multitude of road closures, downed trees, and downed power lines as a result of the storm. Approximately 3,000 Eversource customers are without power in Simsbury as of late Wednesday afternoon.

If you are currently experiencing a power outage please contact Eversource. You can use the Eversource website to <u>report a power outage</u>. You can also call 800-286-2000 to report a power outage. The Town of Simsbury has reported downed wires and road blockages to Eversource. The Town has also informed Eversource of neighborhoods that are completely blocked due to downed power lines, and identified them as our priority. Our Public Works Department is unable to remove any trees or brush that is entangled in powerlines until Eversource arrives and makes safe.

The safety of our residents is our utmost priority. We want to remind residents to please respect road closure signs. They are posted for your safety so you do not encounter any downed trees and/or power lines which could potentially be dangerous. Please remember to keep a safe distance from any power lines that have fallen due to the storm. Any intersection that is controlled by a traffic signal that is not working is to be treated as an all-way stop and motorists and cyclists should proceed with caution.

The Town of Simsbury will be providing electronics charging stations for those who are experiencing a power outage. These charging stations will be in the Program Room on the ground floor of the Library, 725 Hopmeadow Street, from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm on August 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Please remember to bring your own charging cords to your devices. People utilizing the charging stations will be required to use face coverings. Please do not come to the Library to use the charging stations if you are experiencing any symptoms of illness or COVID-19. Do not use the charging stations if you have recently visited or been in contact with someone who visited a location that is restricted by the <u>Connecticut Travel Advisory</u>.

Our Social Services Department is contacting at-risk seniors and residents. If you or anyone you know is experiencing critical needs please contact the Department between 9am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday, at <u>860-658-3283</u>. If you have an emergency, please call 911.

Beginning August 6<sup>th</sup>, the Simsbury Fire District will be providing potable water stations at all fire stations in town. Please bring your own bottles and containers to fill up. The locations of the Simsbury Fire Stations are:

• The Main Station located at 871 Hopmeadow Street

Telephone (860) 658-3230 Jacsimile (860) 658-9467 townmanager@simsbury~ct.gov www.simsbury~ct.gov An Equal Opportunity Employer 8:30 – 7:00 Monday 8:30 - 4:30 Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 - 1:00 Friday

- The West Simsbury Station located in the west-central section of town at 235 Farms Village Road.
- The Bushy Hill Station is located in the southwest section in the city at 345 Bushy Hill Road.
- The Weatogue Station is located in the southeast part of town at 251 Hopmeadow Street.
- The Firetown Station is located at the intersection of Firetown Road and Hoskins Road in the northern part of town.
- The Tariffville Station is located at 7 Church Street in the Village of Tariffville, situated in the northeast section of Simsbury.

As you begin to clear your property of storm debris, please do not place any brush in the roadway or at curbside. We are working with our Transfer Station provider to temporarily expand the hours of operation to accommodate residents brush removal needs. The Transfer Station is located at 66 Wolcott Road, and is currently open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 8:00AM through 3:00PM.

Currently, our emergency operations center (EOC) is open and operating virtually. The virtual EOC allows us to keep in contact with regional and state emergency management officials. Key staff members of Emergency Services are meeting regularly to ensure the quickest possible recovery for Simsbury.

Be safe and be well.