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New Bedford officials reported two additional COVID-19 related deaths since Saturday bringing the total to 61.

Mayor Jon Mitchell's office reported 73 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases in New Bedford on Tuesday, bringing the total positive cases in the city to 1,757 , **up from 1,673 on Saturday**.

20 additional cases of COVID-19 have been identified in Fall River, according to the Mayor's Office. This brings the total in Fall River to 1,181. The death toll from the coronavirus in Fall River remains at 26. Full details **here**.

Mayor Jon Mitchell announced that the City of New Bedford has launched MaskNB, an initiative in partnership with the American Red Cross and Joseph Abboud Manufacturing Corporation, to continue to promote the widespread use of masks to prevent the spread of COVID-19 by offering a mask to any City resident who wants one at no cost, at a series of drive-through distribution events in late May and June. Full details **here**.

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles announced it will be implementing further extensions to the renewal timelines for expiring professional credentials, and licenses and permits, including Commercial Driver's Licenses and Commercial Driver's License Permits (CDLs / CLPs). Full details **here**.

New state guidance allows for high schools to hold in-person, outdoor graduation ceremonies starting July 19, with certain safety precautions in place and as long as public health data around COVID-19 allows the state to continue along its

reopening plan. Full details **here**.