New Bedford reports two more COVID-19 related deaths, 64 new cases

New Bedford officials reported two more COVID-19 related deaths today, nine in the past two days.

Mayor Jon Mitchell's office reported 64 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases in New Bedford on Thursday, bringing the total positive cases in the city to 1,295, **up from 1,231 on Wednesday**. The two additional deaths bring the total death count attributed to COVID-19 to 45 in the city.

The City of New Bedford is offering a mask to any New Bedford resident who wants one at no cost, at a series of drive-through distribution events in late May and June. Full details **here**.

97 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 888. Fall River saw 3 more deaths, bringing the total to 17. Full details **here**.

On May 13, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 1,165 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 80,497. This is an increase from **Tuesday's 870 reported cases**. Full details **here**.

Several Republican legislators on Tuesday urged Gov. Charlie Baker to not delay the reopening of the economy any longer, expressing frustration that other states around Massachusetts are allowing businesses to resume activities while owners and employees in their districts remain in limbo. Full details **here**.