



# City of Cambridge

## Executive Department

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To Funeral Home Directors,

During these unprecedented times, the City is working diligently to assess the components of the Commonwealth's plan for Reopening Massachusetts and to adopt the safest and most sensible approach for our community. Cambridge is one of the most densely populated urban centers in the Commonwealth, so we must take cautious steps to reopen our economy safely and responsibly while minimizing public health risks.

The Commonwealth's guidance allows funeral homes to reopen on or after June 8, 2020 with minimum specific safety standards in place, including 40% capacity limit and only one service at a time in the facility. It is up to each funeral home operator to decide when to open and to what extent (up to the legal allowance).

As you open, please be sure to:

- Read and follow the Commonwealth's [Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards\\*](#)
- Complete the Mandatory Self-Certification for Businesses. Required materials include:
  - [COVID-19 Control Plan\\*](#)
  - [Compliance Attestation Poster\\*](#)
  - [Employer Poster\\*](#)
  - [Worker Poster\\*](#)

\*All documents can be found at [www.cambridgema.gov/covid19/reopening](http://www.cambridgema.gov/covid19/reopening).

Cambridge and Massachusetts are at a critical point in the fight against this virus; the sacrifices we have made collectively have slowed the spread, but the work is far from over.

We will continue to implement public health policies, practices, and initiatives to slow the spread of COVID-19 and phase into a "new normal" until a treatment or vaccine is available. We encourage you to visit the Cambridge COVID-19 website for the most current updates: [www.cambridgema.gov/covid19](http://www.cambridgema.gov/covid19). Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Anthony Tuccinardi, Operations Manager for Inspectional services by email -- [atuccinardi@cambridgema.gov](mailto:atuccinardi@cambridgema.gov) - or phone, 617-349-6193.

Sincerely,

Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager

