

NCR WATCH DESK

SUNRISE BRIEF, MAY 6, 2020

I. WEATHER

Today: Rain before 12PM. High 57°. Low 43°.



II. DEVELOPMENTS OF NOTE

 Montgomery County: Two left were blocked on the outer loop of 1-495 at 1-270 overpass for a tractor trailer fuel tanker fire. All travel lanes are now open.



III. COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)

- Overview: Johns Hopkins University reports 3,679,544 confirmed cases of COVID-19, 257,793 deaths, and 1,205,595 recoveries worldwide as of 5/6/2020 at 6:33AM. In the US, there are 1,204,475 confirmed cases, 71,078 deaths, and 189,791 recoveries. Link
- National Capital Region: There are 31,592 COVID-19 cases and 1,295 fatalities reported in the NCR. <u>DC</u>, <u>MD</u>, <u>VA</u>
- Maryland: A contact tracing platform called "COVID Link" will assist in collecting information about people who test positive for COVID-19 and any individuals they have come into contact with. Link
- Maryland: Researchers at the University of Maryland School of Medicine have begun testing experimental COVID-19 vaccine candidates developed by two pharmaceutical companies. The vaccine trial is now recruiting and screening for participants. The first participant was vaccinated on May 4. <u>Link</u>
- Frederick County: On May 11, Frederick County Public Schools will add meals-to-go service at the Centerville Elementary parking lot and discontinue service at the Overlook Park. <u>Link</u>
- Frederick County: Frederick Health Hospital now offers testing for COVID-19 via curbside service. To qualify for testing, patients must meet the criteria developed using CDC guidelines. <u>Link</u>
- City of Alexandria: A cellular network is being used to connect hotspots and smartphones to enable 9-1-1 dispatchers to take calls and handle Computer Aided Dispatch operations from their homes and remote locations during the COVID-19 pandemic. <u>Link</u>