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## Tioga County Weekly Update for March 16, 2022 – March 22, 2022

This past weekend Spring officially began bringing with it the hope of having warmer weather and enjoying the outdoors! We encourage those with cabin fever to shop locally this year to help our local businesses and economy recover from the impacts of COVID-19. All of us have felt the impacts of COVID-19, particularly our local businesses that closed their doors during the early months of the pandemic. Local business owners are our neighbors, friends, and even relatives; when we support their business, we support them and their families.

There are several other benefits to shopping local:

- It's convenient!
- It's better for the environment by helping reduce the carbon footprint.
- You're investing in your community.
- It helps create demand for local jobs.
- There are great deals to be found!
- You're likely to find quality products.
- Products are more likely to be sustainably sourced.
- There's more chance of finding the weird, wonderful, and quirky!
- You make more thoughtful purchases.

COVID-19 case breakdown in Tioga County from March 16, 2022 – March 22, 2022

(Please Note: Data does not include positive at-home tests)

- New Cases: 51
- Hospitalizations: 2
- (Known) Deaths: 0
- Current Active Cases: 28

## COVID-19 Resources:

- COVID-19 Vaccine Locations: <u>https://www.vaccines.gov/</u>
- Find a COVID-19 Test Site Near You: <u>https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you</u>
- COVID-19 State Run Testing Locations: <u>https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing</u>
- New York State Data Dashboard: <u>https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-testing-tracker</u>
- Tioga County Public Health Website: <a href="mailto:phitiogacountyny.gov">phitiogacountyny.gov</a>
- Tioga County Public Health Facebook Page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/tiogacountypublichealth</u>