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Flowers, candles, crosses and other vigil items are set out in front of the Waukesha Public Library in Cutler Park. The flag in Cutler Park and flags throughout the city remain at half-staff.

Healing with love

Community writes messages of love at library

WAUKESHA — The Waukesha community is banding together with love to get through the aftermath of the attack on the Waukesha Christmas Parade on Sunday.

At the Waukesha Public Library, 321 Wisconsin



One of the messages posted on the window of the Waukesha Public Library reads: "We will help each other through this."

Ave., members of the community are writing messages of love, which are hung up along the windows of the building.

What are community members saying to each other? Here are only some of the many messages that were posted on the building Wednesday: "Thank you 1st responders;" "Our love and prayers are with you all;"; "Keep on keeping on. We're with you;" "Dancing grannies forever;

"We will get through this"; "You have my (heart) Waukesha;" "Better together;" "Thanks a million EMTs;" "Wolverines unite;" "Even the smallest person can change the course of the future;" "My thoughts are with all of the victims, families and those who were at the parade;" "We will help each other through this;' "Much love Waukesha. Mucho amor;" "Know that we truly care;" "Sending heartfelt thoughts and prayers of healing;" "Sending the warmest hugs;" "That which does not destroy us makes us stronger;" "We love youWaukesha."



Messages written by community members on heart-shaped paper are posted on the windows of the Waukesha Community Library, 321 Wisconsin Ave., Waukesha.



Waukesha police requesting video footage from parade

Police seeking original footage taken by public

WAUKESHA Waukesha Police Department is requesting that the public submit video footage that they took themselves Sunday to the department to assist with their investiga-tion of the Waukesha Christmas parade.

According to the depart-ment's Facebook post Wednesday, they know many people are healing both physically and emotionally from the tragedy at the Christmas parade. They are seeking footage of the suspect vehicle in the parade route or fleeing from the scene.

Contact information can provided be at

The https://bit.ly/3CRJo3X. Once the department receives a submission, the department will contact that individual.

The department specified in their post that they are looking for video that a person captured themselves not video they were sent or video that they saw on someone's social media page. They are looking for original footage taken of the incident.

"If you know someone who may have video please reach out to them and encourage them to submit their information," the post said.

Remaining patients from parade tragedy discharged from hospital

ing patients from the Wauke-Christmas parade department and released. tragedy who were treated at ProHealth Waukesha Memorial Hospital have been discharged, according to a statement from ProHealth Care Media Relations and Content Strategist Ann Dee Allen.

On Monday, ProHealth Care Strategic Communications Director Susan Rasmussen said 29 people were plaint.

WAUKESHA — All remain- seen at WMH with 12 being seen in the emergency

As of Tuesday, six people had died from injuries sustained when Darrell Brooks Jr. allegedly drove his SUV through the crowd during the Waukesha Christmas parade on Sunday. He also allegedly injured 62 people, according to the Waukesha County Circuit Court criminal com-

Trauma helplines expanded following Waukesha parade crash

MILWAUKEE (AP) — As they're people in Waukesha and else- whether that's completely where continue to cope with shutting down and not wanttrauma following six deaths ing to get out of bed or feeling and more than 60 injuries after a man drove an SUV through a holiday parade, mental health experts are offering new ways to get help. Children's Wisconsin hospital in Milwaukee on Monday launched a new mental and behavioral health helpline for people and families seeking support. The hospital said the hotline had received dozens of calls as of Tuesday afternoon. Local organizations have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for victims and mental health professionals have been sharing new and existing resources to help people process grief, Wisconsin Public Radio reported. Haley Miller is a licensed social worker and behavioral health consultant at Children's Wisconsin who has been working the crisis line. She said they've gotten calls regarding how to talk to children about what happened. Adults are wondering about their own feelings, she said. "We've had a lot of people calling in asking if their emotions are normal that

experiencing.

Miller. "And we also have

been working on supporting

people in getting resources

Darrell Brooks Jr., 39, is

charged with five counts of

The suspect in the killings,

said

really numb about it,'

that they might need."

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Wisconsin booster numbers released; Dane County to keep mask mandate

By Benjamin Yount The Center Square

MADISON — Nearly 1 million people in Wisconsin have gotten their coronavirus boosters.

The state's Department Health Services of reported its booster dose count for the first time Tuesday. DHS said 915,428 people have gotten an extra dose of the Moderna, Pfizer, or Johnson & Johnson shot.

The Pfizer shot is the most popular, followed by the Moderna shot. Far behind those two comes the Johnson & Johnson shot.

DHS said doctors and nurses were averaging about 20,000 booster shots

per day as of Monday. Overall, approximately 750,000 people in the state, about 58% of Wisconsin's population, have total received at least one dose of the coronavirus vaccine.

While more people are getting their boosters, some people in Wisconsin will continue to have to wear their face masks.

Dane County on Tuesday said it will not be ending its mask order at the end of the month after all.

"We had hoped to not issue any more face covering orders but in the less strict. Heinrich says last three weeks, our rate of disease in the community has nearly doubled, only if everyone is vaccithe rate among children nated.

is at an all-time high and in other parts of the state, cases are even higher," Public Health Madison and Dane County director Janel Heinrich said. "With the holiday travel season upon us, this Order provides more time for those who are newly eligible to get their first and second doses and for more adults to get

booster doses." The new mask order runs through Christmas and New Year's, and is set to expire on January 3rd.

The new order is a little people can take their masks off inside, but

first-degree intentional homicide and is expected to face a sixth count after an 8-year-old boy died Tuesday. Representatives for area hospitals con-

firmed Wednesday that at least 16 people still are being treated for injuries.



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SPOUSE'S RIGHTS WITH IRAS VS. 401(K)?

The answer might surprise you in Saturday's Success section.



Children's Wisconsin balancing rise in

MILWAUKEE Children's Wisconsin staff have a difficult task this week as they work to treat patients who were admitted following Sunday's Waukesha Christmas parade tragedy, and pediatric patients who are still battling COVID-19 and



increase in COVID-19 cases since last week, other respiratory illness cases have seen a decrease. "Children's Wisconsin is

needs of kids, no matter the situation. The number of kids in our Milwaukee hospital has grown this week due to the tragedy in Waukesha, and we grieve with our community over such senseless violence," said Michael Gutzeit, MD, chief medical officer, Children's Wiscon-"We have also estabsin. lished a Mental and Behavioral Health Helpline, 414-266-6500, for families who need additional support. At the same time, cases of COVID-19 cases are increasing across the state, including in kids, though we are glad to see a slight decrease in other respiratory virus

cases such as RSV."

Data from Children's Wisconsin shows that from Nov. 17 to Nov. 23, 64% of rooms at the Milwaukee location were occupied and 74% of Pediatric Intensive Care Unit rooms were occupied.

During the same time frame, 31% of patients at the Milwaukee location were in isolation and 21% of patients were place in isolation due to a respiratory illness, including COVID-19 and RSV.

From Nov. 17 to Nov. 23, there were 10 confirmed COVID-19 cases among patients, five RSV patients and six Rhinovirus patients. Since last week, the hospitalization rate of those age 0-17 with

COVID-19 in Wisconsin has increased from .33 to .51. Current hospitalization rates are an average of how many kids, age 0-17, out of 100,000 are hospitalized.

COVID cases, victims of parade incident

other respiratory illnesses.

Officials say that while there has once again been a slight

committed to meeting the