



## Dane County Department of Human Services

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TO: HHN Committee, other interested parties  
FROM: Shawn Tessmann  
RE: January 2021 Update

Below is my update for January 2021.

The New Year begins with hope. On Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, our team and residents at Badger Prairie received the first dose of the vaccine. There were a small number of doses leftover we made available to the clerical team at the Job Center. Progress!

More progress is also coming on some long overdue infrastructure upgrades at both the Job Center and the Neighborhood Intervention Program buildings. We are taking advantage of the limited number of staff in the buildings to re-cube the Job Center to make better use of the space and also for some important safety upgrades. Both spaces are also getting important lobby upgrades to make the buildings safer for both staff and visitors. Funding for these projects was allocated in the 2019 capital budgets.

Programmatically, the department remains busy and engaged in meeting the needs of our community during this unprecedented time. We continue to field and respond to sporadic staff COVID exposures from time to time, albeit not as frequently as November.

Thank you as always for your time and support.