Maryland's COVID-19 Contact Tracing Program
Answer the Call; Stop the Spread

The State of Maryland's Department of Health is asking municipalities to spread the word about the importance of contact tracing in the local and global efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19. While much focus has rightly been paid to the importance of easily accessible testing with fast results, testing must be coupled with effective contact tracing in order to stop the spread of the virus.

What is Contact Tracing?
- An essential public health tool used for decades to slow or stop the spread of disease
- Contact tracing involves identifying people who have an infectious disease (cases) and people with whom they came in contact (contacts)
- To prevent further spread of disease
  - Cases are asked to isolate, and
  - Contacts are asked to quarantine and monitor themselves for signs and symptoms of COVID-19

Respond: Answer the call and stop the spread.
Maryland's contact tracing program, CovidLINK, is a fundamental part of how Maryland is responding to the coronavirus outbreak. But your response is the most important part of this process. Here's how you can help:

- Answer and/or return any calls from "MD COVID." If you do not have caller ID on your phone, look for the phone number (240) 466-4488.
- Stop the spread by following the guidelines provided on the call.
- Spread the word, not the virus. Let your family, friends and neighbors know how important it is.

For more information regarding CovidLINK, visit https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/contact-tracing