



Update on COVID-19: Coronavirus Preparedness

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WHAT WE KNOW SO FAR

- What is Coronavirus? (COVID-19)
 - A previously unidentified virus that affects individuals with mild to severe symptoms such as fever, cough and shortness of breath. Coronaviruses affect the respiratory system, infection can cause pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure, and death.
- World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic
- President declares National Emergency on March 13, 2020
- Governor Newsome has declared a state of emergency for conditions cause by COVID-19 on March 4, 2020
 - Social distancing: Until March 30, 2020: all nonessential gatherings of 250 or more people be cancelled or postponed
 - Small gatherings should include six (6) foot distancing between participants with high risk of severe illness
 - President urges public to avoid crowds of 10 or more for a 15-day period (as of 3/16/2020)
- **2 confirmed cases in Santa Barbara County**
- **5 UCSB students in quarantine**
- **96 outstanding tests waiting for results in SB County**
- **5,853 US Confirmed Cases (John Hopkins University of Medicine, as of 3/17/2020 1:13 PM)**



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

- SB County Health has created a new website in response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) to provide timely information regarding the virus
- <http://PublicHealthSBC.org>
- SB County has declared a local health emergency
 - What does this mean?
 - Authorizes a local health officer to take any preventive measure to protect and preserve public health from a public health hazard
 - Enforce social distancing (6 ft distance between people in small gatherings)
 - Mandating cancellation or postponement of nonessential gatherings of 250 people or more
 - Avoid social gatherings of groups of 10 or more, per President's recommendation
- A COVID-19 call center is available for general questions from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - **833-688-5551**

RESOURCES FOR EMPLOYERS, WORKERS & BUSINESS

- Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Resources for Employers and Workers:
www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019/
 - Offers summary of State benefits for residents impacted by COVID-19
 - Disability Insurance, Paid Family Leave, Unemployment Insurance, Paid Sick Leave, Worker's Compensation
- SBA offering Disaster Assistance Loans for business impacted by COVID-19
 - <https://www.sba.gov/about-sba/sba-newsroom/press-releases-media-advisories/sba-provide-disaster-assistance-loans-small-businesses-impacted-coronavirus-covid-19>
 - For additional information, please contact the SBA disaster assistance customer service center. Call 1-800-659-2955 (TTY: 1-800-877-8339) or e-mail disastercustomerservice@sba.gov(link sends e-mail)
- FEMA – economic packages may come available

HOW TO AVOID BEING INFECTED OR TRANSMIT THE VIRUS



- If possible, stay home & isolate
- Wash your hands with soap and warm water
- Cover mouths
- No contact such as handshaking
- Clean and disinfect areas
- Sanitize

WHAT IS THE CITY DOING NOW?

- Remaining in contact with other stakeholders (Public Health, schools, hospitals, etc)
- Creating plans for keeping public safety and health going
- Understanding what are mission critical positions in city
- Encouraging social distancing with the following:
 - **Recreation**
 - Aquatic Center closure through April 5th
 - Cancellation of senior programs at the Dick DeWees Center until April 5th – except senior nutrition programming
 - All recreation division programming cancelled through April 5th
 - Easter egg hunt cancellation
 - Track meet cancellation
 - **Library**
 - Library programming cancelled until April 5th – with one exception Cover to Cover In-N-Out reading program
 - Library closure to the public (both main branch and Village) - to reopen April 5th
 - **Utility Safety**
 - Water testing completed regularly
 - Contingency plan/ Emergency Operations Plan in place
 - Redundancy plans with staffing in place
 - All utilities are up and functioning

Police Department Response to COVID-19

- No Jail Visits except for attorneys
- No Station Tours
- No Ride-a-longs
- No unauthorized visits (including family members)
- Volunteer hours are suspended
- No live-scans
- Court Ordered Registrations will be provided by appointment only on Tuesdays and Thursdays (9am-2pm)
- The Front Lobby will be closed until further notice
- Juvenile confinement will be relocated from the Watch Commander's Office to the Dispatch Supervisor's Office
- All Police Vehicles will be sanitized twice a day at a minimum at the Start of Watch
- Supervisors will monitor and insure that cleaning supplies and safety equipment are available
- Lastly, All personnel are encouraged to practice "Good" Hygiene habits to minimize exposure and contamination.

Fire Department Response to COVID-19

- Daily operations
 - PPE
 - Social Distancing
- Cancellation of public tours/ demos, station lobby closures
- Consultation with Public Health, County OEM, and County Chiefs
 - Following Directives and recommendations
 - Using Best Practices
- Understanding the Signs and Symptoms
 - CDC.gov
 - countyofsb.org/phd

Reminder: care for each other, and contact your Physician. Lets not overwhelm the 911 system!

WHERE TO GET INFORMATION

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- World Health Organization (WHO)
 - <https://www.who.int/>
- Santa Barbara County Public Health Department
 - <http://PublicHealthSBC.org>
- City of Lompoc
 - <https://www.cityoflompoc.com/>
- Lompoc Valley Medical Center
 - <https://www.lompocvmc.com>
- Santa Barbara County Food Bank
 - <https://foodbanksbc.org/get-help>
- Labor & Workforce Development Agency
 - www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019/

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NEXT STEPS/ DISCUSSION POINTS

- Emergency Declaration Approval
 - Allows for possible reimbursement from FEMA
- Verify mandate with governor regarding utilities not being shut off, rent increases, etc.
- Model PG&E power shut off – voluntarily implemented a moratorium on service disconnections for non-payment. Suspension to apply to both residential and commercial customers
- Potential City Hall Lobby Closure
 - Utility payments taken online or via drop box
 - Permitting/ planning: by appointment only
 - All cities and the County have closed their lobbies
- Future Council Meetings via teleconference
 - Committees/ Commissions/ Boards

NEXT STEPS/ DISCUSSION POINTS (CONT...)

- Santa Barbara County recommendation: bars, nightclubs, pubs, breweries and wineries should immediately close to the public under new guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) on Tuesday 3/17/2020. Urging for immediate closure to address St. Patrick's Day events
 - Additionally, restaurants and other food facilities offering on-site dining should immediately transition to only offering delivery or take-out service

SUMMARY FOR PREVENTION



- WASH YOUR HANDS
- Stay home, if possible
- Cover mouths
- Avoid touching hands with others
- Avoid touching your face
- Social distancing