

SUPERVISOR MONICA BROWN CORONAVIRUS UPDATE #7 (04/23/2020)

Hello Benicia, Fairfield and Vallejo,

Welcome to my most recent Coronavirus update. It is my hope with these updates to provide you with information and resources. If I can ever be of assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to my office at 707-784-3031 or at mebrown@solanocounty.com.

It is with an extremely heavy heart that I inform you that two Solano County residents passed away this week from Covid-19. My heart goes out to the families of these two. To honor their memory, I ask that you please follow all health guidelines during this time. Please help us flatten the curve and stop the spread of Covid-19. This update is dedicated to the memories of the two most recent Solano residents who succumbed to Covid-19.

REOPENING CALIFORNIA

There has been a lot of talk recently about when California will reopen. I understand how difficult this has been for all of us. This crisis has impacted all our lives and has negatively impacted all segments of our community. I appreciate the sacrifices all of you have made to keep our community safe. I want this to be over as much as everyone does.

That said, I am in full support of Governor Newsom's plan that we will not reopen California until we can meet six key indicators. Those indicators are:

- The ability to monitor and protect our communities through testing, contact tracing, isolating, and supporting those who are positive or exposed;
- The ability to prevent infection in people who are at risk for more severe COVID-19;
- The ability of the hospital and health systems to handle surges:
- The ability to develop therapeutics to meet the demand;

Important Numbers Resources and Dates

District 2 Office

(707) 784-3031

Clerk of the Board & County Administrator's Office

(707) 784-6100

Veterans Services

(707) 784-6590

Health & Social Services

(707) 784-8400

Assessor/Recorde r

(707) 784-6200

Resource Management

(707) 784-6765

Registrar of Voters

(707) 784-6675

Tax Collector/Treasure r/County Clerk

- The ability for businesses, schools, and child care facilities to support physical distancing; and
- The ability to determine when to reinstitute certain measures, such as the stay-at-home orders, if necessary.

(707) 784-7485

Area Agency on Aging

(707) 784-8960

I believe Governor Newsom has shown exemplary leadership during this time. I have confidence he and his team of experts will know when we should reopen California. If we prematurely lift the stay at home order, the virus could spread and devastate our community. For the safety of all of us, we must continue with the shelter at home order until we can meet the six indicators the Governor laid out.

U.S. Social Security

(800) 772-1213

OFFICE HOURS:

As this week's numbers indicate, we have a long way to go before we can return to normal. Please remember to practice social distancing. For more information on where California stands, please

see: https://www.timesheraldonline.com/2020/04/22/coronavirus-tuesdays-numbers-show-california-hasnt-flattened-covid-19-curve-yet/

Please remember to avoid going out of your home unless it is for an essential activity. When you are outside, please practice social distancing (6ft apart). When you go to the grocery store, please go by yourself. Please do not bring anyone from your household and please do not use the grocery store as a social gathering spot. It is important that we have enough space in our grocery stores and other essential businesses to practice social distancing.

RESOURCES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

The U.S. Chamber of commerce is offering grants to small businesses impacted by Covid-19. For information and to apply

visit: https://www.uschamberfoundation.org/reports/coronavirus-response-resources

95.3 KUIC is providing a listing of essential businesses that are open in our community. If you are interested or if you want to add a business, please visit: https://www.kuic.com/open-for-business/

CHILDCARE FOR ESSENTIAL WORKERS

For information on emergency pop-up childcare for essential workers, please visit: https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/first5/emergency_pop_up_childcare_.asp

NURSING HOMES AND LONGTERM CARE FACILITIES

Unfortunately, Solano County had its first nursing home to have positive test results. Every staff person and resident of the facility is being tested. Solano County is in regular contact with assisted living facilities and has several protocols in place to protect residents and staff. The protocols are: (1) No visitors except for end of life, (2) Residents and staff checked for symptoms regularly (fever check and whether anyone is exhibiting other covid-19 symptoms) and Personal Protective Equipment for staff. Public health continues to monitor all the facilities in Solano County.

TESTING IN SOLANO COUNTY

Testing for Covid-19 is currently taking place at 2101 Courage Drive in Fairfield. The county plans to rotate the testing sites throughout the county. Only those who show symptoms and who are either 65 years of age or over or essential workers are currently eligible for testing. For more information and how to make an appointment, please

visit: https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus_links/faq_drive_thr
ough_testing.asp

GOVERNOR NEWSOM PROHIBITS GARNISHING STIMULUS MONEY

Governor Newsom signed an executive order that will prohibit garnishment of stimulus money received through the CARES act. The order is retroactive so if a financial institution already garnished the money, the money must be returned. Exceptions to the executive order include garnishments for child support, victim compensation orders and spousal support. For more information, please see: https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/04/23/governor-newsom-announces-additional-relief-for-californians-impacted-by-covid-19/

COMMUNITY RESOURCES AVAILABLE

BENICIA RESOURCES

For what is available through the City of Benicia in response to Covid-19, please visit: https://www.ci.benicia.ca.us/coronavirus

FAIRFIELD RESOURCES

Here are the resources available in Fairfield during this crisis: http://www.fairfield.ca.gov/gov/depts/manager/quality_of_life_affordable_housing_/covid_19_resources.asp

VALLEJO RESOURCES:

To find out what resources are available to Vallejo during Covid-19, please visit: https://www.cityofvallejo.net/cms/One.aspx?portalld=13506&pageId=16557 965

SOLANO COUNTY RESOURCES:

For a listing of what is available through Solano County, please see: https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus links/resources.asp

If you or someone you know should need to apply for Cal Fresh (previously known as food stamps), Medi-Cal or Cash Aid, you can call 707-553-5000 or visit: https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/hss/ees/mybenefits_calwin/default.as
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HEALTH INSURANCE:

If you find yourself in need of health insurance, you may visit Covered California at https://www.coveredca.com/. You may be eligible for low-cost or even no-cost health insurance.

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS (FRC):

The FRCs provide support to families such as rental assistance. There are additional resources through the FRCs during the Covid-19 crisis. If you need their services, please contact them at the following:

Benicia FRC: https://www.ci.benicia.ca.us/index.asp?SEC=7D71BE63-0B78-4751-B1FF-E1C7AEBB9814&DE=AB5F1A13-5FEF-4177-B9FE-DFDA87B5F3D9

Fairfield FRC: https://www.fsusd.org/domain/4639

Vallejo FRC: https://fight-back.org/

MEALS ON WHEELS OF SOLANO COUNTY

If you or someone you know is in need of meals on wheels delivered to you, please see this link for eligibility and how to

apply: https://www.mealsonwheelssolano.org/get-started

RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS AT HOME

The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History has made many programs, including Hamilton and the Lion King available for free during this time. For more information, please visit: https://www.gilderlehrman.org/programs-and-events/hamilton-education-program-0

There are so many great resources available at the link above.

CENSUS

Please fill out the census. You should be receiving paper forms if you have not filled out the form online. You may still fill it out online. For every person not counted in the census, we will lose \$1,000 per person per year. That is \$10,000 for every person who is not counted in the census. It is extremely important that we have accurate numbers to determine where to allocate resources. For more information, go to: https://census.ca.gov/census-101/

FASTTRAK UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

Use this link to see if you have any unclaimed property through

Fastrak: https://www.bayareafastrak.org/en/support/eschOverview.shtml

STATE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

To find out if you have any unclaimed property through the state, please go to the Controller's website: https://www.sco.ca.gov/upd msg.html

Thank you for taking the time to read my most recent update. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if I can be of any assistance to you. Please spread kindness, stay safe and stay home.

Sincerely,

Monica Brown,

Solano County Supervisor, District 2



First elected in 2016, Monica represents District 2 on the Solano County Board of Supervisors. District 2 encompasses the city of Benicia, the portion of Vallejo south of Georgia Street, Mare Island, Cordelia, Green Valley and a portion of Fairfield.



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