



**SUPERVISOR MONICA BROWN CORONAVIRUS UPDATE 11 (05/21/2020)**

Hello Benicia, Fairfield and Vallejo,

Welcome to my most recent coronavirus update. I hope you are all staying safe during this time. If I can ever be of assistance to you, please feel free to reach out to me at [mebrown@solanocounty.com](mailto:mebrown@solanocounty.com) or at 707-784-3031.

It is with a heavy heart that I announce Solano County has seen more residents pass away from Covid-19. My heart goes out to their families. Please honor their memories by taking all necessary precautions to stop the spread of this virus. This update is dedicated to the memory of the most recent victims of Covid-19 in Solano County.

I want to wish everyone a Happy Memorial Day weekend. Thank you to all of those who have served our country in uniform.

I want to reiterate that I understand this has been a difficult time for all of us. We have all been negatively impacted by the coronavirus crisis. Please make an extra effort to spread kindness and understanding in our community during this incredibly trying time.

**PHASED REOPENING**

The county is in the process of a phased reopening. The shelter at home order has been extended indefinitely. However, the order is being modified to accommodate the reopening. Most of the state is currently in phase 2, which allows for lower risk businesses to open.

The county has attested to the state that we meet all the criteria to begin reopening higher risk businesses. The Governor recently changed the criteria for higher risk businesses. Most relevant for Solano County is that counties no

**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/Recorder**

(707) 784-6200

**Resource  
Management**

(707) 784-6765

**Registrar of Voters**

(707) 784-6675

**Tax  
Collector/Treasurer/  
County Clerk**

(707) 784-7485

longer must show they have gone 14 days without a Covid-19 death. The county has requested a variance and the state has approved it.

**Area Agency on Aging**

(707) 784-8960

Please do not mistake reopening businesses for a return to normal. We will not return to how things were until we have a vaccine to protect us from the virus. Please follow all public health and safety guidelines. Please wash your hands regularly with soap (or hand sanitizer when soap is not readily available), please wear a face covering when you are shopping or around other people. Please stay home if you are feeling ill. Those in high risk groups (65 and older or with underlying health conditions) should stay home as much as possible.

**U.S. Social Security**

(800) 772-1213

For me personally, I will be limiting my time in public until there is a vaccine. I will go to the grocery store, to pick up food, to the auto shop, to the credit union and to work. Other than that, I will be staying home. I will be wearing a mask when I go out.

For more information, please see:

[https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus\\_links/roadmap\\_to\\_recover\\_y.asp](https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus_links/roadmap_to_recover_y.asp)

<https://www.ktvu.com/news/solano-county-given-ok-to-reopen-restaurants-schools>

<https://www.timesheraldonline.com/2020/05/20/coronavirus-solano-county-submits-paperwork-to-move-more-quickly-through-second-phase-of-reopening/>

<https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/fairfield/2-more-covid-19-deaths-as-solano-resubmits-county-friendlier-plan-to-open-more-businesses/>

### **FACE COVERING MANDATE**

As I stated in last week's update, there was not enough support for a face covering mandate on the Board of Supervisors or from public health.

I reached out to the Mayors of Benicia, Fairfield and Vallejo and asked that those cities implement a face covering mandate. Mayor Patterson of Benicia and Mayor Sampayan of Vallejo are working on implementing a face covering mandate in their respective cities.

I have also sent a letter to the Governor and Solano County's state representatives asking for a statewide face covering mandate.

### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR VETERANS**

For navy veterans (or their surviving spouses) who were previously not eligible for benefits related to exposure to agent orange in Vietnam may now apply. For more information contact the Solano County Veteran's Office at 707-784-6590 and see:

<https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/fairfield/blue-water-vets-signing-up-for-overdue-back-pay-benefits/>

The Solano County Workforce Development Board (WDB) has received a \$500,000 grant to assist active duty military personnel to transition to civilian life, along with veterans and military spouses. For more information, contact the WDB at 707-863-3501 and see:

<https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/vacaville/solano-wdb-partners-receive-500k-veterans-military-spouse-grant/>

### **APPLICATON FOR PAYCHECK PROTECTION LOAN FORGIVENESS**

For businesses that have received a paycheck protection loan, here is the application to have the loan forgiven:

<https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/sm1010>

## **SUSTAINABLE SOLANO GARDEN TOUR**

Sustainable Solano will have a Water Wisdom and Garden Tour video on May 30<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please see:

<https://www.timesheraldonline.com/2020/05/14/sustainable-solano-offers-water-wisdom-talk-and-video-garden-tour/>

## **SOLANO COUNTY CORONAVIRUS STATISTICS**

To see Solano County's Covid-19 statistics, please visit:

<https://doitgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=055f81e9fe154da5860257e3f2489d67>

## **VOLUNTEERS STAFF PHONE LINE FOR SENIORS**

Solano County has volunteers calling to check in on Solano County's seniors. For more information about this, please see:

<https://www.thereporter.com/2020/05/14/coronavirus-solano-county-launches-phone-line-for-volunteers-to-support-seniors/>

## **SOLANO COUNTY JOBS**

If you are interested in applying for a job at the county, please see:

<https://jobapscloud.com/solano/>

## **CENSUS**

The Census will determine how much funding our community gets for the next ten years. For every person not counted, we lose \$1,000 a year for ten years.

Please fill out your census information and please encourage others to do so as well. For more information, please see:

<https://census.ca.gov/>

## **VETERANS HALLS**

Memorial weekend is upon us. A day for us to remember the men and women who have given the ultimate sacrifice. But in this time of Covid-19, our Veteran Halls have suffered financial hardships.

The veteran buildings are used to raise revenue to help the communities that they fought to protect. They rent out the halls that many of used. You might have attended a birthday party, a wedding party, an Eagle Scout ceremony, or a crab feed fund raiser.

The veterans have not been able to rent out their buildings. Their bills, like yours, still need to be paid. On this 3- day weekend, as the county is opening, please help by sending a contribution.

Below are the address' of each Veterans Memorial Building in District 2:

Benicia Veteran's Memorial Hall, 1150 1<sup>st</sup> St Benicia, CA 94510. 707-745-1769 (Checks payable to Benicia Veteran's Hall Board).

Suisun-Fairfield Veteran's Memorial Building, 4217 Main St Suisun, CA 94583. 707-429-3110 (Checks payable to Suisun-Fairfield Veteran's Hall Board).

Vallejo Veteran's Memorial Building, 420 Admiral Callaghan Lane Vallejo, CA 94591. 707-644-3094 (Checks payable to Vallejo Veteran's Hall Board).

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Thank you for reading my most recent update. As we enter a new phase of reopening the county, please take all necessary precautions. Stay 6 feet apart from others, wear a face covering when visiting businesses, wash your hands regularly with soap and please stay home if you are not feeling well. Let's all do our part. Take care, stay safe and have a wonderful Memorial Day weekend.

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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