



# Solano County *California*

## **SUPERVISOR MONICA BROWN CORONAVIRUS UPDATE 35 (12/11/2020)**

Hello Benicia, Fairfield, and Vallejo,

Welcome to my most recent coronavirus update. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance to you. I can be reached at 707-784-3031 or at [mebrown@solanocounty.com](mailto:mebrown@solanocounty.com).

### **CORONAVIRUS NUMBERS**

I know how taxing this crisis has been on all of us. We are all tired of the toll this has taken on us. We are in the worst days of this pandemic. Our positivity rate, hospitalizations, number of active cases, and all metrics are far too high. We are starting to see the impact of the Thanksgiving holiday gatherings.

As I have said many times, private gatherings are the largest driver of the spread of coronavirus in our community. When contact tracing is done on those infected, we see that the overwhelming majority report a private gathering as the source of their infection.

I know I say this often, but it bears repeating. Please do not attend private gatherings. IF you do attend a private gathering (which you should not), please wear masks, stay 6ft apart, hold the event outside, get tested before and after the event (and stay away if you are positive), limit the number of people who attend, and do not attend if you are over 65, are sick, and/or have a pre-existing health condition.

The ICU capacity for our region is fast approaching the level that will require us to shutdown outdoor dining and require retail establishments to further limit their capacity. I would not be surprised if we reach that level today or this weekend.

### **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

#### **Area Agency on Aging**

(707) 784-8960

#### **U.S. Social Security**

(800) 772-1213

While we are in a very difficult situation, there is hope. The vaccine is right around the corner. Our frontline healthcare workers and our nursing home residents will be vaccinated first. The vaccine will then be distributed based on those most at risk for a severe outcome for Covid-19. Once enough of the population is vaccinated, that should allow us to return to a sense of normalcy.

With the vaccine on its way, please hold on and continue to do what is necessary. We will get through this together.

For more information about our numbers, testing for covid-19, health guidelines, information on the upcoming vaccine and more resources, please visit: <https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus.asp>

### **SUPPORTING OUR SMALL BUSINESSES**

Our small businesses have been hit so hard by this pandemic. During this holiday season, please make a special effort to support our small businesses even more than usual. If you order out, you can get dinner from a local restaurant. If you are looking for holiday gifts, please consider getting a gift card to a local restaurant or shop for your holiday gifts.

To find local businesses to support, please visit:

<https://visitbenicia.org/>

<http://www.fairfieldmainstreet.com/>

<http://www.visitvallejo.com/>

This past weekend, I bought Christmas candy at Lileds in Vallejo (1318 Tennessee St. in Vallejo) and I bought books from Bookshop Benicia. Please join me in making an extra effort to support our small businesses. They are essential to our community and they need our business now more than ever.

### **CALIFORNIA NOTIFY**

The state has a new app you can download onto your phone. It will let you know if you have come into contact with someone who has also downloaded the app has tested positive for Covid-19. For more information, please visit: <https://canotify.ca.gov/>

### **HOME FIRE SAFETY**

As more people use their fireplaces during the winter and the holidays, the U.S. Fire Administration has resources on how to do so safely. For more information, please visit: <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/>

### **FUNDING FOR SENIORS IMPACTED BY COVID-19**

The Napa Solano Area Agency on Aging can provide emergency, one-time financial assistance to seniors (over 60) and/or those with disabilities impacted by Covid-19. Applicants will have to show they have unmet financial needs and are impacted by Covid-19. For more information or to obtain an application, please contact the Benicia Family Resource Center by phone (707) 746-4352 or email [klara@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:klara@ci.benicia.ca.us).

### **SOLANO COUNTY JOBS**

If you are interested in working for Solano County, here is a list of current job openings: <https://jobapscloud.com/solano/>

Thank you for reading my most recent update. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance to you. Take care, stay safe, and spread kindness.

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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