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### Resources:

Website: [SantaClaraCA.gov/CoronavirusUpdates](https://SantaClaraCA.gov/CoronavirusUpdates)  
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This is a summary of the City of Santa Clara's latest response efforts along with impacts to local events and City programs/services due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency.

### Current Developments

- The County of Santa Clara joined six other counties and the City of Berkeley in issuing today's order that calls for residents to shelter at home for three weeks beginning March 17.
- Per the County of Santa Clara's [latest order](#), the City of Santa Clara is transitioning to provide only essential City services starting tomorrow, March 17. Essential City services include public safety, electricity, water and sewer services, among others. Please read the Order for other essential services.
- Also starting tomorrow, March 17, some of the City's workforce will either be working remotely, working staggered shifts, or may be on paid administrative leave, based on job functions, but could be called upon to serve as a Disaster Service Worker. All employees will still be paid their normal wages/salaries during this emergency period.
- Prior to the County's latest order, Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor addressed the community in another [video message](#).



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## **Meetings**

The City Council and Santa Clara Stadium Authority meetings remain scheduled for March 17 and 24. However, a reduced agenda is planned. The City has already implemented social distancing measures in Council Chambers and will be in compliance with the [County Public Health's five guidelines](#) for holding meetings of this size.

The public can still view the meetings on Santa Clara City Television (Comcast cable channel 15 or AT&T U-verse channel 99) and online on the [City's website](#), the City's [YouTube channel](#), and the City's [Facebook page](#).

## **City Programs and Services**

### **Senior Programs & Services**

- Through the Santa Clara Senior Center, a limited number of part-time case managers are available to provide support to seniors who need this service. The senior nutrition program is also providing in person and to-go lunches to seniors who order them from the center and can pick them up from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. To request either of these services, call the Senior Center's Front Desk at 408-615-3170.
- The County is in process of developing additional services. This information will be shared once announced by the County.

The City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains partially activated to increase our ability to maintain situational awareness and coordinate public information for this rapidly evolving situation.

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