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## COVID-19 Update (March 26, 2020, 4 p.m.)

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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

- Today, March 26, the City kicked off the Healthy Meals Santa Clara weekend meals programs for children.
  - The Healthy Meals Santa Clara is a supplemental program to Santa Clara Unified School District's program, with the City distributing breakfast and lunch bags for the weekend.
  - The supplemental program is possible, thanks to assistance from the School District, Spectra Venue Management and Levy Premium Food Services.
  - The City is also partnering with [Mission City Community Fund](#), a nonprofit organization that is helping raise funds for the weekend meal distribution program for children.
  - The temporary program is for kids who live in Santa Clara and are currently signed up for the school lunch program, with distributions taking place at three school campuses and the Santa Clara Senior Center on Thursday afternoons.
  - For more information, visit [SantaClaraCa.gov/HealthyMealsSantaClara](https://SantaClaraCa.gov/HealthyMealsSantaClara).
- Water & Sewer Utilities is reporting a rise in sewer backups due to wipes being flushed down the toilet.



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- Since March 17, City sewer crews have responded to 16 service calls for sewer backups, some of which were likely caused by wipes clogging the pipes.
- Everyone is reminded to throw away all wipes or paper towels in the trash.
- Flushing wipes and paper towels will clog sewers, potentially causing sewer backups, overflows at wastewater treatment facilities, and sewage discharge to the Bay.
- Flushing wipes cause sewer backups and creates a public health issue.
- Even wipes labeled “flushable” will clog pipes and interfere with sewage collection and treatment. Throw them away.

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