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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

- In a [joint statement](#) with the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin and San Francisco and the city of Berkeley, the County of Santa Clara announced on Monday, May 18, the issuance of a [revised Shelter-in-Place order](#), which will allow for some reopening of certain sectors in the Bay Area.
 - The new order, which goes into effect on Friday, May 22 will allow the following:
 - Retail establishments to offer storefront and curbside pick-up;
 - Manufacturing, warehousing and logistical operations that support retail to resume;
 - Participation in car parades as long as people ride in cars only with members of their households and do not leave their cars during the parade or stop at a fixed location; and
 - Outdoor museums, historical sites and publicly accessible gardens to reopen but visitors to be restricted to outdoor areas.
 - County of Santa Clara officials stress that businesses need to consistently follow social distancing protocols and public health guidance to protect their employees and customers as these activities resume.
 - Per the County's social distancing protocol, all business are required to post [signage](#) to educate customers about health and safety requirements.

- The County Department of Public Health reminds the public that they are still required to shelter-in-place in the revised health order except when conducting essential and other activities and to wear face coverings and follow the precautions that have helped the region make progress in slowing the spread of COVID-19.
- The new local orders are similar to the statewide guidance for the early stages of Phase 2 for reopening California.
- The County's revised order will remain in effect until further notice.
- For more details, visit County Public Health's [Shelter-in-Place order webpage](#).
- The State of California is allowing more counties to accelerate their re-opening process.
 - According to Governor Gavin Newsom, the pace of reopening will be based on each county's ability to increase testing, work with nursing homes and stabilize their hospitalization and case rates.
 - Information about county variances is available on the California Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response website, [COVID19.CA.gov](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Response.aspx).
 - Also, view a summary on the [City's California Recovery Roadmap webpage](#) along with details about the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Guidance for Communities](#).
- The County's Department of Family & Children Services warns with children not being in school, the probability of detecting child abuse and neglect can decrease.
 - If anyone suspects child abuse and/or neglect, they are encouraged to call the toll-free number, 1-833-SCC-KIDS (1-833-722-5437), and report it.

Latest Changes for Upcoming Events

- The 2020 State of the City is going virtual next month. Instead of holding the sessions in person, Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor will now hold several virtual townhall meetings about the State of the City on June 17, 18 and 19. More details to come soon.

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