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# PRESS RELEASE

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## Daily Report: COVID-19 Response Update

The City of Cupertino continues to monitor the effects of COVID-19 (coronavirus). The safety of our residents, staff, and visitors remains our highest priority. The following information regards the City's response to the latest recommendations from the County of Santa Clara Public Health Department. These reports will be released every weekday at 5:00 p.m. For more information, visit [cupertino.org/coronavirus](https://cupertino.org/coronavirus).

### Updates on City Actions and Services

- Street sweeping will continue as scheduled during the shelter in place until further notice. Please attempt to adhere to parking guidelines whenever possible.
- All park playgrounds have been closed by the City of Cupertino's Public Works Department. This is another effort the City is taking to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Playground closures will be reassessed as the City receives updated information from Santa Clara County Public Health Department.
- All City facilities remain closed until further notice.
- While City Hall is closed to the public, services are still available online at [cupertino.org](https://cupertino.org) and by phone at (408) 777-3200.
  - To submit requests for service, visit [cupertino.org/311](https://cupertino.org/311)
  - For Building, Planning, Housing, and Code Enforcement services and permits, visit [cupertino.org/communitydevelopment](https://cupertino.org/communitydevelopment)
  - For Public Works services and permits, visit [cupertino.org/publicworks](https://cupertino.org/publicworks)
- Some Cupertino businesses—including grocery stores, supermarkets, coffee shops, restaurants and more—continue to operate through the County of Santa Clara's "Shelter in Place" order. These businesses, identified as "essential businesses" per the County's definition, can be found at [cupertino.org/openforbusiness](https://cupertino.org/openforbusiness).

### **What Does the State’s “Stay at Home” Order Mean?**

- Last night, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued a [statewide stay-at-home order](#) to protect the health and well-being of all Californians and to establish consistency across the state in order to slow the spread of COVID-19. The order goes into effect immediately and is to remain in place until further notice.

The order allows essential services to remain open and for public access to necessities such as food, prescription medicine, and health care. Anyone who leaves home to obtain or perform essential functions should always practice social distancing.

The Governor’s Executive Order N-33-20 calls on all individuals living in the State of California to stay at home or at their place of residence, except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) released Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce during the COVID-19 response.

For more information, visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/>

### **What Does the County’s “Shelter in Place” Order Mean?**

- Santa Clara County — along with six other jurisdictions — announced an order directing individuals to shelter at home except to provide or receive essential services beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. See the Frequently Asked Questions about this order [here](#).

### **Cancellations/Postponements of Events**

- City organized or cosponsored events have been canceled or postponed through early May. They include:
  - April Birthday Bash (Canceled)
  - Big Bunny 5K and Fun Run (Canceled)
  - Block Parties (Canceled)
  - Cherry Blossom Festival (Canceled)
  - Coffee Talks (Canceled)
  - Cultures of the World – Italy (Canceled)
  - Earth and Arbor Day Festival (Canceled)
  - Egg Hunt (Canceled)
  - Environmental, Recycling, and Shredding Event (Canceled)
  - Holi (Postponed to June 7, 2020)
  - Kid Fit (Postponed)
  - NASA Speaker Series (Postponed)
  - Neighborhood Watch Meetings (Canceled)
  - Senior Center Travel Trips (Canceled)
  - Volunteer Fair (Postponed)