

NEWS

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For Immediate Release

Red Cross Offers Virtual Support, County Manager Media Briefing, Testing Locations, and Current COVID-19 Case Count

Redwood City – The County of San Mateo continues to work to protect public health and safety in response to the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19.

The County of San Mateo's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains open to coordinate countywide response and communications in response to the situation. The EOC's Joint Information Center will provide status reports every Tuesday and Thursday until further notice. Today's report:

COVID-19 Informational Graphics Available to Download

The county has created informational graphics to use when communicating about COVID-19 topics, including face coverings, social distancing, sanitation, well-being and more.

Materials are available in English, Chinese and Spanish and free to download at https://cmo.smcgov.org/covid-19-graphics-and-images-social-media-and-other-uses

Red Cross Offers Virtual Family Assistance for Loss of Loved Ones

The American Red Cross has assembled a team of volunteers trained to provide virtual support to families and communities who have suffered a loss as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic through its Virtual Family Assistance Center (VFAC).

Visit <u>redcross.org/VFAC</u> to access this resource with special virtual programs, information, referrals and services to support families in need. The VFAC can also connect people to other community resources that may be available. People without internet access can call toll-free at 833-492-0094 for confidential and free assistance.

County Manager's Media Briefing on YouTube

The July 22, 2020, media briefing on the County of San Mateo's response to COVID-19 hosted by San Mateo County Manager Mike Callagy can be viewed at https://youtu.be/4WRynbURtnk

Subscribe to the County's YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/user/sanmateocountygov

COVID-19 Testing Available July 24 – 30

San Mateo County's free COIVD-19 testing is available without restriction to anyone. Because only 500 tests are allocated each day, it is advisable to schedule an appointment with Verily/Project Baseline, San Mateo County's free testing provider, at https://bit.ly/2xk730L

If you don't have access to the internet, there may be a volunteer on site who can assist you. The following locations are open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.:

East Palo Alto: July 24

2160 Euclid Avenue

San Mateo: July 27

San Mateo County Event Center 1346 Saratoga Drive

Half Moon Bay: July 28

Cunha Intermediate School 600 Church Street

San Bruno: July 29

The Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints 975 Sneath Lane

North Fair Oaks: July 30

Everest High School 455 Fifth Avenue

San Mateo County COVID-19 Cases

San Mateo County Health has updated the number of positive cases to 4,885 as of July 22, 2020.

County Health provides detailed information on cases by age group and date and deaths by age group. Learn more at https://www.smchealth.org/coronavirus

Call Center

Residents with non-medical, non-emergency questions about the coronavirus can call 211 or 800-273-6222 at any time, day or night. Callers from landlines and cellular telephones located within San Mateo County are connected with a trained service professional from 211, a confidential service available in 180 languages.

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