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THURSDAY TOWN INFORMATION

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Visit San Mateo County's website at www.smcgov.org for the latest information on COVID-19 and the current health order.

Testing appointments are available at multiple locations throughout the County. [Click here](#) for more information.

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Counties can move to a less restrictive level as COVID transmission goes down and testing goes up.

Stay diligent: keep your distance; wear your face mask; get tested and follow safety guidance.

For more information, visit smcgov.org

Allowed Indoors

- ▶ All retail indoors (max 25% capacity)
- ▶ Shopping centers, malls (max 25% capacity, common areas closed)
- ▶ Hair salons, barbershops (indoor with modifications)
- ▶ Personal care services, nail salons (indoor with modifications)

Allowed Outdoors

- ▶ Restaurants
- ▶ Bars, breweries, distilleries where meals are provided
- ▶ Museums, zoos and aquariums
- ▶ Places of worship
- ▶ Movie theaters, family entertainment centers
- ▶ Gyms and fitness centers

Limited Stay at Home Order

All activities outside the residence, lodging, or temporary accommodation with members of other households must cease between 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Effective 11/30/20
10 p.m. to 12/21/20 5 a.m.



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San Mateo County Updates

San Mateo County Health Advisory Stresses Community Interventions to Limit Surge of COVID-19

San Mateo County Health issued a new health advisory, with recommendations for community interventions to limit the surge of COVID-19. By reviewing the science, epidemiology, and local case investigations, the County is focusing on reducing transmission from social gatherings and among household members. Health officials are emphasizing three core practices and the science behind them that everyone should follow.



The advisory, which is sent to health care practitioners in the county and reinforces recommendations and actions for the public, may be found [here](#).

These preventive measures build upon guidance from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and new science emerging from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Acknowledging that pandemic fatigue affects adherence to additional governmental restrictions, health officials emphasize three recommendations:

- Always mask in public, particularly when talking.
- Insulate your household and any small, stable "Social Support Bubble" from the virus.
- Mask – Isolate – Quarantine – Test. Immediately for any symptoms, or after an exposure.

San Mateo County Remains in the Purple Tier

San Mateo County remains in the Purple or "widespread" risk level tier of California's [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#) re-opening plan.

Under purple Tier 1 restrictions, businesses and activities that may have been operating indoors – including places of worship, movie theaters, gyms and museums – must move outdoors or close. Shopping malls and all retail must operate at no more than 25% capacity.

Currently a [stay at home order](#) is in effect for counties in the purple tier. The order, announced by the State on November 19th, prohibits residents from leaving their homes to gather with other households from 10:00pm to 5:00am daily.

Monday's City Council meeting

December 14th - 6:00pm

Held virtually via [Zoom](#) or [Dial-in](#)

Monday's City Council meeting will be held in a virtual setting via Zoom starting at 6:00pm. The agenda packet, along with Zoom information and instructions on how to submit public comments, will be posted on the [Town's Agenda Center](#).



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CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

A message from Hillsborough City School District Superintendent Louann Carlomagno

Dear Hillsborough Community,

The HCSD Maintenance and Operations crews are in the process of installing signage on all our campuses reminding the community that our campuses are CLOSED during the school week, as we are focused on the health and safety of our students and educators.

As many of you know, our educators are on campus from early in the morning through the early evening hours, and in order to ensure their safety, we simply cannot have folks walking through our campuses during the school week - this includes all school facilities, including restrooms.

We currently have groups of students from both the district and Hillsborough Recreation (HREC) on each of our campuses and those students may be out on our fields or blacktops. Our top priority is the safety and wellbeing of our students, staff and the community at-large and hence the reason for campus closures.

Our campuses (including our buildings, fields and blacktops) are closed to visitors from 7:00am to 6:30pm during the school week. Organized sport groups will continue to have access through HREC. Tennis courts will remain open, both at the District Office and North School.

Please contact Leilani Bell, Health and Safety Director (bell@hcsdk8.org), if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your support,

Dr. Louann Carlomagno
Superintendent

GOT WHEELS! *Affordable Alternative Transportation for Hillsborough residents at least 70 years of age*



Effective Nov. 25, 2020, Got Wheels! will be providing affordable alternative transportation for Daly City, Colma, Brisbane, South San Francisco, San Bruno, Millbrae, Burlingame, Hillsborough, Half Moon Bay, Montara, Moss Beach, and El Granada residents at least 70 years of age.

Interested individuals may apply for no-cost membership. Members are provided up to six one-way rides a month for \$5 each one-way ride. Peninsula Family Service subsidizes remainder of the fare.

There is no fee for membership. Members pay only when they take rides. [Click here](#) for more information or to fill out an application.

FREE COVID-19 testing available at Crocker on Saturdays – for families and the general public *Curative Mobile Van COVID Testing*

[Click here to make an appointment](#)

Curative Inc. will be hosting a COVID-19 mobile van public testing site every Saturday from 10:00am - 4:00pm at Crocker Middle School. The van will be located in the parking lot off Ralston Avenue.



The test is a self-administered, oral mouth swab PCR test, simple to use for children and families. Results are delivered within 48 hours by phone or text. Appointments are highly recommended and can be made by clicking the button above. Walk-ups may be admitted depending on capacity, and may need to wait in line. Please wear masks and exercise 6-foot distancing if you are waiting in line.

APPOINTMENT SLOTS GO FAST! San Mateo County also offers a wide range of other testing options for adults and children, including greater capacity at other locations like the San Mateo Event Center. Visit the official site at www.smcgov.org/testing for more information.

Winter Weather and Fire Season

Making a list and checking it twice

We have seen fire weather warnings noted in the month of December 2020. With fall passing and winter upon us, wildfires are still capable of starting and burning out of control. The ongoing community efforts to maintain fire-resilient landscapes are essential to reduce the ability of fire spreading to homes and throughout our community. Safety first, as a reminder check the weather to assure you are using the right tools at the right time.



Below is a short list of what you can do now.

- Remove dead/dying vegetation and/or trees throughout entire property
- Cut annual grasses/weeds to maximum 4 inches in height
- Remove lower branches of trees to create 6-foot clearance under tree (or 1/3 tree's height if tree is less than 18 feet tall)
- Remove storage from under decks or under eaves/overhangs
- Relocate storage of firewood and/or combustibles at least 20 feet from structures
- Remove dead leaves, needles and/or other vegetation roof and gutters
- Provide a spark arrestor (or 1/2" screening) on the top of the chimney
- Trim tree limbs to create at least 10' vertical clearance from any chimney
- Remove combustible materials at least 10' from propane tanks
- Trim tree branches above roads or driveways to provide a 13'6" clearance
- Provide address numbers on the house or at driveway, at least 4' in height

Learn more about hardening your home to better survive a wildfire [here](#) and a [checklist](#) of landscaping best practices for all community members.

Donate food and PPE supplies to help those in need

In collaboration with Hillsborough Helping, Food Drive donation bins are still up and running at Hillsborough Town Hall (1600 Floribunda Avenue), HCS District Office and West School to accept food and PPE supplies. Donations will be given to [Samaritan House of San Mateo](#).

Recently, the drive reached a remarkable milestone of over **1,000 bags of groceries donated!**

Please visit Hillsborough Helping's [facebook page](#) for information on what types of food can be donated and for important updates. [Click here](#) if you are interested in volunteering.



County COVID-19 case update

San Mateo County Health updates COVID-19 data regularly on their [data dashboard page](#). As of December 9, 2020, there have been **16,884** confirmed COVID-19 cases in the County. As of last Friday, there are **102** [confirmed cases in Hillsborough](#).

Thank you to Hillsborough residents for continuing to follow County guidelines for face coverings, handwashing and social distancing.

