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County Expands COVID-19 Testing Sites to Include Daly City & East Palo Alto

Free testing now available without restrictions at three locations

Redwood City – The County of San Mateo is expanding the number of COVID-19 testing sites operated by Verily to include locations in East Palo Alto and Daly City on a rotating schedule. Verily will continue to operate its San Mateo County Event Center site on Mondays and Tuesdays, while adding the old Serramonte High School campus in Daly City on Wednesdays and Thursdays and the YMCA in East Palo Alto on Fridays and Saturdays.

The new sites and schedule will begin operating on Monday, May 18.

Testing is free and available without restriction to anyone, though an appointment is required in advance. To make an appointment, residents can visit Project Baseline's website at <u>https://bit.ly/2xk73OL</u>.

After being tested, residents will receive results and other information by email. San Mateo County Health will reach out to residents who test positive.

The expanding of testing sites is part of the County's strategy to bring more resources to more locations. The new sites, in the northern and southern parts of the county, will make it easier for residents to access free testing. The County is also planning to add a location on the Coastside.

"We want everyone in San Mateo County who wants a COVID-19 test to be able to get one," said County Manager Mike Callagy. "Testing is key to understanding the spread of the disease and to further opening our economy. We want to make sure that there are no barriers, including geography, that might prevent someone from seeking a test." To meet State guidelines, San Mateo County needs to administer about 1,200 tests per day, through hospitals, private testing companies, and the free program available through Verily.

The County can help residents who lack transportation to a test site. After being screened at the Project Baseline website and receiving an appointment time, individuals with no other means to reach the testing site can call (650) 779-9375 Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 4 PM to arrange free transportation.

TESTING LOCATIONS & SCHEDULE

Mondays & Tuesdays - San Mateo

San Mateo County Event Center 1346 Saratoga Drive, San Mateo 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Wednesdays & Thursdays – Daly City

Serramonte High School 699 Serramonte Boulevard, Daly City 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Fridays and Saturdays - East Palo Alto

Lewis and Joan Platt East Palo Alto Family YMCA 550 Bell Street, East Palo Alto 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Sundays

Testing locations closed

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