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**For Immediate Release**

## **Community Affairs Resources; Update on County Response to COVID-19, Testing & 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 and the CZU Lightning Complex fires.

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:

### **County of San Mateo Brings Resources to Communities**

The County has developed several grant programs, partnerships, and policies to support the most vulnerable members of the community, assist small businesses, and support individuals and families impacted financially by COVID-19.

One example is the work of the Office of Community Affairs which, on behalf of the County, has deployed a van and outreach team to visit neighborhoods based on health data throughout the county to deliver masks, cleaning supplies, and information in multiple languages on how to access food, financial, and health resources to keep residents stable and healthy.

Watch for the colorfully marked van dubbed the Come Together SMC Community Crew in your neighborhood.

### **COVID-19 Testing Resources Available**

San Mateo County's no-cost COVID-19 testing is available without restriction to anyone. It is advisable to schedule an appointment at least 72 hours in advance with Verily/Project Baseline, San Mateo County's testing provider at <https://bit.ly/2xk73OL>

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 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Daly City: Sept. 9**

Jefferson Union High School District Office  
699 Serramonte Boulevard

**East Palo Alto: Sept. 10 & 11**

2160 Euclid Avenue

Stanford Medicine offers testing options for both Stanford patients and the public. First responders and essential workers will be given priority for testing and results delivery, regardless whether the individual is a Stanford patient. Visit [Stanford Medicine's page](#) for more information.

**San Mateo County COVID-19 Case Count; County Continues to Review Data**

Data may be incomplete: In early August, it was discovered that there was a reporting issue with the State's system that affected all counties. While the State believes this issue was resolved, we continue to validate our data.

San Mateo County Health has updated the number of positive cases to 8,750 as of Sept. 7, 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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