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For Immediate Release

Update on County Response to COVID-19

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 daily status reports Monday through Friday until further notice. Today’s report:

Medical Center Frontline Heroes Applauded

Early this morning U.S. Rep. Jackie Speier, County Manager Mike Callagy, the San Mateo City Police Department and surrounding area first responders cheered and thanked San Mateo Medical Center frontline workers for their dedication during the COVID-19 response. Getting into the spirit of Star Wars Day, which falls on May 4, the congresswoman came dressed as Padme Amidala, Queen of Naboo. See the video at <https://youtu.be/VQr3Kc-O9qs>

Health Officer Posts New Statement Regarding Extension of Order, Next Steps

Today, San Mateo County Health Officer Dr. Scott Morrow posted a statement regarding where we are in the fight against COVID-19 and what could be ahead. The revised Health Officer Order becomes effective today and directs San Mateo County residents to Shelter in Place for another four weeks.

“If we continue to have the public’s cooperation, I have great hope that the indicators we are monitoring will continue to improve and this Order can be revised before May 31, 2020 in a manner that focuses more on behavior and risk of disease transmission,” wrote Dr. Morrow. He added that modification of the State Order is a pre-requisite for such a change

here. See Dr. Morrow's full statement at <https://www.smchealth.org/post/health-officer-statements-and-orders>

Great Plates Program for Senior and High-Risk Residents Begins Enrollment

Older residents at high risk from COVID-19 can receive three nutritious meals per day delivered to their home from restaurants and other food providers across San Mateo County through the Great Plates Delivered SMC Program. Residents who are 65 and older, and adults 60-64 who are at high-risk from COVID-19 can call (800) 675-8437 and speak to multi-lingual county staff to apply.

"Being designated the local administrator for San Mateo County for the Governor's Great Plates Delivered meal program is an important step in ensuring all older adults in our community have food," said Lisa Mancini, Director of Aging and Adult Services, a division of San Mateo County Health. See news release <https://cmo.smcgov.org/press-release/county-san-mateo-launches-great-plates-delivered>

County Manager's Media Briefing on YouTube

Today's media briefing on San Mateo County's response to COVID-19 hosted by San Mateo County Manager Mike Callagy can be watched at <https://youtu.be/z48BzcbVkGo>

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

San Mateo County COVID-19 Cases

San Mateo County Health has updated the number of positive cases to 1,251 as of May 3, 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 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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