

NEWS

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Great Plates Delivered Continues; Health Order Violation Hearing Process; Weekly Media Briefing; 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.

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:

Great Plates Delivered Program Continues through Oct. 9

Funding for Great Plates Delivered San Mateo County has been extended through Oct. 9, 2020. Currently, 2,553 participants are enrolled in the program.

The program provides three free meals a day to older adults in San Mateo County who are at heightened risk due to COVID-19 and are unable to obtain or prepare meals on their own while sheltering in place during the coronavirus outbreak. Since delivery service began May 9, 2020, 68 participating local restaurants have prepared 501,336 meals.

Learn more about Great Plates Delivered at https://www.smchealth.org/post/great-plates-delivered-faqs

Hearing Request Process Established for Health Order Violations

On Aug. 4, 2020, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors adopted an <u>urgency</u> <u>ordinance</u> authorizing administrative penalties for individuals, organizations, and businesses who violate health orders.

Those who receive an Administrative Citation and wish to appeal, must submit a Request for Hearing form along with the fine amount as a deposit within 14 days of when the Administrative Citation was issued.

COVID-19 Testing Resources Available Sept. 11 - 18

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.

East Palo Alto: Sept. 11, 17 & 18

2160 Euclid Avenue

San Mateo: Sept. 14

San Mateo County Event Center 1346 Saratoga Drive

Daly City: Sept. 15 & 16

Jefferson Union High School District Office 699 Serramonte Boulevard

Additional Testing Opportunities: 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.

Important Note: If you have any form of health insurance, your first stop for testing should be your primary care physician or local medical clinic. This is the best way to get follow-up care right away, and you may also get your results faster.

County Manager's Media Briefing on YouTube

The Sept. 9, 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/vezSmFha9Mo

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

San Mateo County COVID-19 Case Count; County Continues to Review DataData 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 since March 4 to 8,895 as of Sept. 9, 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.