

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – April 6, 2020
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COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE

MSWD Operations

No MSWD changes from 04.01.2020 Update:

- As a result of Riverside County's new face covering recommendation (see County section below for press release), MSWD staff members will receive masks for their protection throughout the community.
- MSWD Board declared local emergency at a special board meeting, held March 23, 2020
- There is no evidence that the COVID-19 virus is transmitted through drinking water
- Lobby Remains Closed – Please use alternate methods of payment which are listed at (<https://www.mswd.org/coronavirus>)
- 50% of MSWD staff are isolated and working from home, rotating schedule in effect
- Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has been activated and is in communication with City of Desert Hot Springs and Riverside County EOCs
- All District meetings will be held telephonically. All other meetings have been cancelled or postponed.

Local – Desert Hot Springs/Riverside County

- County Update, 04.06.2020 at 1:00pm
 - 946 cases in Riverside County (RivCo)
 - 60 Recovered
 - 25 deaths in RivCo
 - Cases by Coachella Valley city as of 04.06.2020:
 - Bermuda Dunes – 3 cases
 - Blythe – 2 cases
 - Cathedral City – 29 cases, 1 death
 - Coachella - 36 cases
 - Desert Edge – 1 case
 - Desert Hot Springs - 8 cases
 - Indian Wells - 8 cases
 - Indio – 51 cases, 2 deaths
 - La Quinta - 24 cases
 - Palm Desert - 45 cases, 1 death
 - Palm Springs - 57 cases, 7 deaths
 - Rancho Mirage - 18 cases, 2 deaths
- Riverside county Health Officer ordered that starting April 5th :
 - Anyone leaving their home must wear some sort of face covering, including essential workers.
 - No gatherings outside those who live in your home was permitted.
 - These orders are enforceable by Riverside County Sheriff's Dept with up to \$1,000 fine.
 - Order goes until April 30th

County Resources:

- Property taxes deadline remains the same, due in April. Switching this deadline is under state purview, not county. However, RivCo Treasurer Tax Collector's Office can assist with late fees on a case by case basis. For more questions on your property taxes: 951.955.3900
- Riverside County District Attorney's office price gauging hotline: 951.955.0764
- Desert Aids Project is a COVID-19 Testing Center, by appointment only – 760.992.0407
- Indio Fairground testing site – by appointment only – 1.800.945.6171

- Other City of DHS updates, visit (<https://www.cityofdhs.org/coronavirus-updates?hsCtaTracking=c4af97d6-9368-4031-8dcd-0e804c8d6330%7C639dbc4b-fb01-4d71-9ded-1bdd27160d44>)
- Riverside County Public health website with updates: (www.rivcoph.org/coronavirus)

State of California

No significant CA changes from 04.01.2020

State resources:

- For information on how one can help, CA has launched: (www.serve.ca.gov)
- The State hotline for senior check-in is: (833) 544-2374
- For CA Department of Public Health Updates please visit: (<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>)
- The State of California COVID-19 specific site: (<https://covid19.ca.gov/>)

National

- US COVID-19 death toll rises over 10,000
- At the 04.03.2020 press conf., President Trump announced that the CDC is recommending that **ALL Americans voluntarily wear non-surgical face masks** in public
 - This comes after the County of Riverside made the same recommendation earlier this week
- UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson has been transferred to the ICU

For additional Information, please visit <https://www.mswd.org> or <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>