



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – May 7, 2020
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COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE

MSWD Operations

No MSWD changes from 04.08.2020 Update:

- Per CSDA's advocacy efforts and recommendation, MSWD Board President Nancy Wright sent a letter to our DC elected officials urging them to consider including special districts in the fourth COVID-19 related relief bill.
- As a result of Riverside County's new face covering order, MSWD staff members received 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, 05.07.2020 at 1:00pm
 - 64,986 people tested
 - 4,756 cases in Riverside County (RivCo)
 - 2,217 Recovered
 - 192 deaths in RivCo
 - 196 Current Hospitalizations, 81 in ICU
 - Cases by Coachella Valley city as of 05.07.2020:
 - Bermuda Dunes – 4 cases
 - Blythe – 15 cases
 - Cathedral City – 105 cases, 1 death
 - Coachella - 150 cases, 3 deaths
 - Desert Edge – 3 cases
 - Desert Hot Springs - 47 cases
 - Indian Wells - 14 cases
 - Indio – 147 cases, 5 deaths
 - La Quinta – 78 cases, 4 deaths
 - Palm Desert - 106 cases, 7 deaths
 - Palm Springs – 103 cases, 9 deaths
 - Rancho Mirage - 28 cases, 3 deaths
- The County board of supervisors will be holding a special meeting Friday, May 8th at 1 pm to discuss the recession of the County health Officer's orders. This will be live streamed on Riverside County Clerk of the Board's Facebook page or the Riverside County website.



County Resources:

- RivCo Treasurer Tax Collector's Office can assist with property tax 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
- Riverside County Housing Authority has emergency temp housing to homeless individuals, effective while the Governor's stay at home order remains in place. 700 rooms have been secured. For more information or enroll in program call:1.800.498.8847
- 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

- Governor Newsom announced the beginning of Phase 2 of his reopening plan on 5.7.2020 which allows industries such as bookstores, floor stores, sporting good stores, etc to open but with curbside pick up only.
 - There was no modification or indication of when they would be modifying the Stay at Home order.
 - (https://www.desertsun.com/story/news/health/2020/05/07/california-governor-allows-some-retail-reopening-limits/3088430001/?utm_source=desertsun-News%20Alert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=news_alerts&utm_term=news_alert)

State resources:

- For information on how one can help: (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

- 3.2 million new cases of unemployment nationwide were filed in the last week. In total, about one fifth of America's workforce has filed for unemployment since March.
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- Worldwide cases: 3,836,215
 - Deaths: 268,999
- US Cases: 1,254,740
 - Death toll: 75,543
 - Recovered: 195,036
 - Tested: 8,105,513

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