



The [statewide COVID-19 website](#) is a one stop shop that consolidates information from state agencies, and provides up-to-date information and guidance regarding COVID-19. DHS has also offered information on their website on [How and Where to Get Tested](#).

If you're not busy, please make a call, send a card, or write a letter to someone you know who lives alone or may need assistance.

Please, let them and your family know that you are thinking of them, and that we are here for each other.

Bless each of you during this difficult time of uncertainty and suffering. Take good care!

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Cases Climb and Nursing Homes Struggle



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Over the past week the number of new daily cases of COVID-19 reached over 1,000 for the first time, and the average rate of positive tests increased to 7.4 percent on Sunday. [Read more](#)

At the same time, nursing homes are growing concerned about the supplies of personal protective equipment that they are receiving from FEMA. Some items, such as the gowns that were sent do not meet safety standards and they are running out of other supplies. As case numbers rise in the community, long-term care administrators are bracing for an expected rise in nursing homes and other facilities as well. [Read more](#)

Early Voting Has Begun for the August 11th Election

Make sure you have an ID for voting purposes

[Bringit.wi.gov](https://bringit.wi.gov) is the state's website for helping people make sure that they have an ID that will work when they go to cast their ballot. For most Wisconsinites, their driver's license will satisfy this requirement. Bring your ID with you for every step of the following process!

Get registered

You can check your registration through [MyVote.wi.gov](https://myvote.wi.gov). Online and postal registration has ended for the upcoming election, so if you are not already registered, you will need to do so in person at your municipal clerk, **if necessary you will still be able to do this at the polls on Election Day**, but it is best to get it done in advance.

Contact info for all municipal clerks across the state can be found in the [Directory of Wisconsin Clerks](#) from the Wisconsin Elections Commission website, or through myvote.wi.gov.

Here are the websites and phone numbers for the clerks in the 3rd Senate District. Check with your municipal clerk to see where you can vote early or how to vote by mail.

Municipal Clerk Contact Info

[City of Greenfield](#) 414-329-5219

[City of Milwaukee](#) 414-286-3491

[City of Wauwatosa](#) 414-479-8917

[City of West Allis](#) 414-302-8220

[Village of West Milwaukee](#) 414-645-1530 ext 0

The PSC Voted to Extend the Utility Disconnection Moratorium

Last Thursday the Wisconsin Public Service Commission voted to extend the moratorium on utility disconnections until September 1st.

The moratorium will need to continue until the backlog of unemployment cases is cleared. There are still over 138,000 people waiting to get resolution on their claim, and We Energies alone estimated that 32,000 households could have had their service disconnected for non-payment.

Families who lost their work through no fault of their own would have lost the ability to manage their unemployment claim, do job searches, cooking, education, and so much more from home. The state cannot engage in kicking people when they are down, especially when the source of their struggle is an unemployment system that has been neglected and undermined for decades. [Read more](#)

Milwaukee County Department on Aging Senior Center Committee is Seeking Members

The Milwaukee County Department on Aging is currently accepting applications for the Commission on Aging Senior Center Committee.

The Senior Center Committee will be responsible for prioritizing and refining the ideas for improvement set forth in the *Envisioning the Future Report*, as well as exploring viable solutions and monitoring their implementation.

[Learn more](#)

[Application form](#)

Evers Seeks \$250 Million Cut to State Spending

In order to respond to the loss in revenue related to reduced economic activity since the Coronavirus pandemic has come to Wisconsin, Governor Evers is seeking a \$250 million cut across state agencies. In addition to the \$70 million cut that he asked for in May, the total now comes to \$320 million in budget reductions.

This call was met with push-back from former governor Tommy Thompson, who is now serving as the interim president of the University of Wisconsin System. Thompson explained that the UW System already provided more than half of the \$70 million cut in May.

On July 9th, the Legislative Fiscal Bureau [notified the legislature](#) that state revenues were \$749 million behind the previous fiscal year.

[Read more](#)

The Milwaukee Health Department is Hiring Contact Tracers and Offering Free Masks

The Milwaukee Health Department is looking for detail-oriented, conscientious and compassionate individuals to work as contact tracers and case investigators to help stop the spread of COVID-19. [Learn More](#)

The Milwaukee City Government has adopted an ordinance requiring that all persons wear face coverings in public spaces, indoors and outdoors. [Read the FAQs](#)

Masks are available for free at the following locations:

- **Keenan Health Center, 3200 N. 36th Street**
- Monday-Friday, 11am-3pm
- **Northwest Health Center, 7620 W. Mill Road**
- Monday-Friday, 8am-1pm
- **Southside Health Center, 1639 S. 23rd Street**
- Monday-Friday, 8am-1pm

A Portion of Red Arrow Headquarters Returns to US after Ukraine Deployment

About 50 Wisconsin Army National Guard Soldiers were brought back to US soil after a 10 month mobilization to Ukraine.

The returning soldiers are a portion of the 32nd "Red Arrow" Infantry Brigade Combat Team Headquarters who were deployed to Ukraine to serve as the headquarters element for the training group at the International Peacekeeping and Security Center.

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