

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.

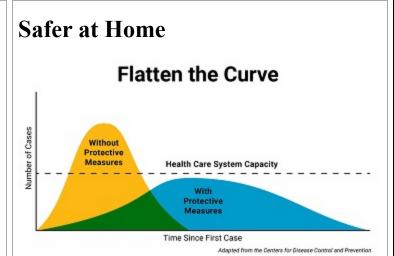
If you're not busy please make a call, send a card, or write a letter to someone you know who lives alone or may need assistance.

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. Please take good care!



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Governor Tony Evers' directive for Wisconsinites to stay at home if it is at all possible is a strategy for our state to avoid overwhelming our hospitals' and other care facilities' capacity to accommodate the anticipated number of patients who are expected to get sick with Coronavirus. Efforts like this are necessary not only to make sure that those patients can get immediate care when they need it, but also to support the triage of other medical emergencies. Just as important is to keep levels manageable so that our healthcare workers can have access to a sustainable supply of personal protective equipment (PPE). They are are the heroes who have sworn to see us through this crisis, we must do everything we can to make sure that they are safe!

During a media availability to discuss the "Safer at Home" order, state health officials explained that models show over 20,000 people in Wisconsin could contract COVID-19, and potentially 1,000 people could die if serious measures are not taken. Read more Photo credit: Scott Stetson/PBS Wisconsin

View the "Safer at Home" order in its entirety

Emergency Order #12, also known as the "Safer at Home" order, will take effect starting tomorrow, 03/25/20, at 8am. Today, the Governor held a press availability to answer questions from media organisations from across the state in response to this order. Watch the availability here.

"In the exceptional circumstance that a business is not listed in this Order as an Essential Business or Operations but believes that it should be included in that designation, the business should consult the Essential Business page on the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) website. If a business still believes that it does not fall within the meaning of Essential Businesses and Operations, it may apply to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) using the provided form requesting designation as such." (excerpt from Executive Order #12)

Request an Absentee Ballot for the April 7th Election!

If you are interested in voting from the comfort of your home, you can request an Absentee Ballot that you can mail in. This can be accomplished most easily at myvote.wi.gov. If MyVote is not working for you for any reason, the Wisconsin Elections Commission has issued special guidance for this process for this year. For more information you can reference their standard instructions for voting absentee.

If you live within the City of Milwaukee, you can print this form and send it in to the City of Milwaukee Elections Commission. Their address and contact information are at the top of the form if you have any questions about how to follow the instructions and get your Absentee Ballot sent to you.

If you live in the City of Greenfield, Wauwatosa, West Allis, or West Milwaukee, or any part of Wisconsin, you can use the Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot and send it to your respective municipal clerk.

In order to accomplish this, you must be registered to vote, and submit a copy or photo of an acceptable photo ID for voting to your municipal clerk. This can be achieved by taking a picture of your ID with your phone and emailing it to the municipal clerk. Just be sure to include a statement in the email that explains why you are sending the photo to them. If you are unsure about any steps in this process, give them a call!

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 for the clerks from the 3rd Senate District. The date following each link is the date that early voting (in-person absentee voting) was scheduled to begin for each municipality. Early voting has been canceled due to staffing and safety concerns in several municipalities. Check with your municipal clerk to see if this option is still available!

City of Greenfield (starts 03/23/20)

City of Milwaukee (starts 03/16/20)

City of Wauwatosa (starts 03/17/20)

City of West Allis (starts 03/23/20)

Village of West Milwaukee (starts 03/23/20

City of Milwaukee Department of Neighborhood Services is Closed

As a response to the safer-at-home order from Mayor Barrett and Governor Evers, the Department of Neighborhood Services (DNS) offices will be closed until further notice.

Emergency complaints (no heat, no water, no electrical service, etc.) can be filed by calling (414) 286-2268.

Follow updates by checking the DNS Webpage

Utility Disconnections Suspended Statewide

In order to protect Wisconsinites who are facing hardship due to the loss of income during the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Evers issued Emergency Order #11, which:

- Stops utility disconnection for nonpayment for all customers, including commercial, industrial, and farm accounts. Previously this applied to residential accounts only;
- Ceases the assessing of late fees to customer accounts;
- Halts the practice of requiring deposits from customers for reconnection of service;
- Allows deferred payment agreements for all customers who request them;
- Removes any administrative barriers for customers establishing or reestablishing utility service; and
- Authorizes water utilities to provide budget billing arrangements to customers. Electric and natural gas utilities are allowed to do this under current rules.

Democrats in Congress and Trump Administration are Optimistic about Stimulus Package

After concerns that negotiations had stalled in the U.S. Senate, a deal to reinvigorate the national economy seems to be approaching success in Washington. Read more

"Safer at Home" order and other updates



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The Disaster Distress Helpline

CALL DISTRESS LINE AT: 1-800-985-5990 техт "таlкwithus" то 66746

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