

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.

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

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Early Voting and Mail-In Absentee Voting Info for April 6



In-person absentee voting (early voting) for the April 6th Election started yesterday and goes through April 2nd. Times and locations may vary in each municipality. See below for information from each of the clerks in the 3rd Senate district.

Until April 1st at 5pm you can also request that a mailin absentee ballot be sent to you, however the USPS recommendations for delivery indicate that it may be too late to deliver the ballot to your home and then back to the clerk in time for the election. For that reason, if mail-in absentee voting is the best option for you, it is recommended that you make use of a drop off location after filling out your ballot to ensure that your ballot is received in time. To request your ballot visit MyVote.wi.gov

If you have any questions about voter registration or any of your options for voting, please call the number below for your clerk or elections commission, they can help you get the most up-to-date information!

City of Greenfield (414) 329-5219

City of Milwaukee (414) 286-3491

Village of West Milwaukee (414) 645-1530 ext. 0

City of West Allis (414) 302-8200

Wisconsin's Share of the Federal Stimulus Package

Wisconsin will be receiving \$5.7 billion to fight the Coronavirus pandemic and its economic effect. This puts our state in the middle of the pack when compared to other states.

Of that 5.7 billion, 3.4 billion will go to the state for allocation, and 2.3 billion will be shared among counties and municipalities for allocation.

The Department of Administration, has a breakdown of the way that the Evers' administration has spent the previous stimulus funds signed into law by President Trump.

Governor Evers has said that he plans on spending the incoming funds for similar purposes.

Read more.

Walk-in Vaccination Sites Available for Residents of 10 Milwaukee Zip Codes

In priority areas of our community, residents 16 and older will be able to receive their vaccine for free--no insurance required. These areas are those that have been hit hardest by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The 10 eligible ZIP codes are 53204, 53205, 53206, 53209, 53215, 53216, 53218, 53223, 53224 and 53233.

Only the Pfizer vaccine is approved for those ages 16 and 17, and so they will need to receive their vaccine at the Wisconsin Center.

Click here to register.

Walk-in vaccination sites:

North Division High School, 1011 W. Center St.

- Open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday
- March 22 through April 19

South Division High School, 1515 W. Lapham Blvd.

- Open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday
- March 22 through April 19

Northwest Health Center, 7630 W. Mill Rd.

• Dates and times of operation are to be determined.

These sites will be walk-in only and there could be lines.

Read more.

Dentists Will Now Be Able to Administer the COVID-19 Vaccine

On Monday, Governor Evers signed a bill that would allow Dentists to administer vaccines to fight the flu and also those for COVID-19.

The law will require dentists to undergo training in administration, storage and record-keeping in order to be qualified. This will help to keep our state up in the rankings for vaccines administered, but will also be helpful in the future during flu season. Read more.

The Pandemic's Effect on Mental Health

The last year has seemed longer than any other in recent memory, and many mental health experts have pointed to a "second pandemic" for mental health conditions. They are seeing increases in those seeking help or suffering from depression anxiety and stress.

In a recent Pew Research Survey, one in five adults say they're experiencing psychological distress, and nearly half of young adults expressed that they are feeling heightened anxiety.

Whether it's the result of the loss of a loved one, stress due to unemployment, isolation from social distancing measures, long-term complications from the virus many, or any other reason, many are left feeling worn out after the last year.

Therapists recommend activities such as getting outside, exercising, connecting with loved ones, and seeking additional support such as therapy to help overcome challenging times such as these.

As you go through your day, be kind to yourself and others, and remember that we can help each other through this!

Read more.

"Badger Bounceback Live Session" on Accessible and Affordable Healthcare

Tomorrow at 6pm Governor Evers will be holding a listening session on the issue of healthcare.

These live session provide Wisconsinites with an opportunity to discuss and provide feedback on Governor Evers' "Bounceback Agenda" for the upcoming state budget.

If you are interested in provide your insight to our state government regarding healthcare policy, especially in regards to issues of access, this live session is one way to help us better understand your needs.

For registration and more information about other upcoming session, click here.

Kinnickinnic River Flood Management Project

To address flooding issues in the Kinnickinnic River watershed, which covers 25 square miles and is topped with nearly 50% impervious surfaces such as parking lots, streets and rooftops, the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) has created a flood management plan.

In the 1960s, areas of the Kinnickinnic were "channelized" or lined with concrete to move water away as fast as possible. More than 8 miles of waterways are lined in concrete or enclosed in culverts. This strategy creates a dangerously fast flow of water, and many of these channels and culverts have reached the end of their 60 year lifespan. The flood management plan will restore the natural flow of these waterways, which we now know improves water quality and allows pollutants to break down instead of being deposited into the lake, creating "dead zones."

To complete this project, MMSD will be restoring the natural landscape to the river in Pulaski, Jackson, and Wilson Parks, as well as the river between 6th and 16th Streets. This will reduce flooding and lake pollution, while enhancing these parks' natural beauty and infrastructure. As MMSD has completed portions of the flood management plan, we have seen salmon migrating further and further upstream. Stop by Pulaski Park to see what one of these projects looks like as it nears completion!

Read more.

I-94 Expansion will Affect More than Just Traffic

I firstly would like to thank those who participated in this and other public meetings to provide their insight about this proposal. It is of critical importance that I can hear from those who will be directly affected by an expansion of the freeway in our area.

Many expressed their desire to repair the freeway but maintain the existing 6 lanes as opposed to expanding to 8 lanes. Concerns raised during the meeting included:

Induced demand, which is when highway expansion sometimes generate even more traffic than before, only adding to congestion rather than addressing it.

Demolition of homes, which would negatively affect those homeowners, but also has rippling effects throughout communities.

Environmental impact, including the impact of new construction as well as added air pollution from increased traffic.

Disconnect between state and locals, many locals feel like their concerns are not being heard with regard to this project.

Once again I would like to thank those who have reached out to me to help me understand their needs with regard to any potential expansion of the East-West corridor, and those who have taken the time to participate in public hearings on this topic.

A recent article in the Journal Sentinel covered the listening session held by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation on March 16th. Read more.

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