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HEMET POLICE DEPARTMENT COVID-19 RESPONSE SUMMARY

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Coronavirus Watch Riverside County (AS OF 03/25/2020 @ 5:30 pm)

Confirmed Cases	107 (+48)
Travel Associated	4 (+/-0)
Locally Acquired	24 (+/-0)
Acquisition Status Pending	42 (+48)
Deaths	8 (+2)

Data taken from Riverside County Public Health System rivcoph.org/coronavirus

PROCLAMATIONS AND DECLARATIONS

- City Council made an Emergency Declaration on March 16th, 2020
This action allows the city to access State and Federal resources as they become available and are needed
- Governor Gavin Newsom issues “Safer at Home” executive order March 20, 2020
<https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/>

HEMET POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS

- Hemet Public Safety Communication Center began to screen some calls for COVID-19 exposure on March 12, 2020.
- Hemet Police Department Suspended all Volunteer and Police Explorer activity on March 16, 2020.
- Hemet Police Department closed the Main Lobby of the police department on March 17, 2020. Police Dispatch has begun to encourage callers with non-emergency needs to utilize on-line reporting methods or have an officer contact them by telephone. Police Officers continue to respond to all emergency calls for service.
- Governor Gavin Newsom activated 105 National Guard personnel to assist with humanitarian efforts on March 20, 2020. **No National Guard troops deployed to Hemet.**



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- First Public COVID-19 Response Summary made available on HPD website, Facebook and HPD App March 23, 2020
- City of Hemet Emergency Dispatchers continue to screen some calls by asking COVID-19 related questions. Residents have been asked to be patient during this process, it is designed to protect the person calling and the first responders. This process will not delay the dispatching of emergency personnel

HEMET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

- All Hemet Unified School District sites closed for instruction from March 16th, 2020 through April 30, 2020.
- HUSD Meal service is available at selected sites Monday-Friday from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
- For more information about site closures and nutrition resources please visit Unified School District website at:
https://www.hemetusd.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1695685&type=d&pREC_ID=1856039

COVID-19 TESTING INFORMATION

- Riverside County has expanded COVID-19 testing in western Riverside County. The Community Based Testing Site (CBTS) is open at the Diamond Stadium in Lake Elsinore for those who live within 50 miles of Riverside. **You must be screened online at <https://www.projectbaseline.com/covid-19/> for an appointment.** If you do not have access to a computer you can call **800-945-6171** to be screened for an appointment.
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USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS AND WEBSITES

- Questions regarding Virus Referrals for food, shelter, or health related requests **dial 211**
- Mental Health referrals for emotional feelings and anxiety dial **1-800-706-7500**
- [HTTP://HEMETCA.GOV/COVID-19](http://hemetca.gov/covid-19) for Hemet City updates, utility service information, small business & employment resources, handwashing & symptom info from CDC
- Hemet Emergency Services Coordinator **951-765-2451**
- Hemet City Manager's Office **951-765-2301**
- Hemet Police Department business line **951-765-2410**



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- Hemet Police Department Non-Emergency line **951-765-2400**
- WWW.RIVCOPH.ORG/CORONAVIRUS for Riverside County mandates, toolkits for At-Risk Populations & businesses
- WWW.CDC.GOV/CORONAVIRUS for Federal Mandates & Updates, Situation Summaries, Cases in the US

If you think you have the flu or COVID-19 coronavirus
KNOW WHERE TO GO

“I’m sick and I have a fever.”

- Stay home and rest. Don’t go to work or school.
- If you need a note or prescription, call your provider first.
- If you must go out, wear a surgical mask if you have one.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Do not call 9-1-1. Do not go to the emergency room.

“It’s hard to breathe but I can drive.”

- Put on a surgical mask if you have one.
- Drive to your local emergency room.
- Let the staff know you may have the flu or COVID-19.

“It’s so hard to breathe I can’t drive.”

- Call 9-1-1 and let them know you have an emergency.
- Tell the operator you may have the flu or COVID-19.



If you wear a mask, wear a surgical mask.
N95 masks can be difficult to breathe in and may not work if you are not fit tested.

rivcoph.org/coronavirus



Courtesy of Riverside County Public Health

Please continue to monitor the City of Hemet and the Hemet Police Department webpages for up-to-date information. Follow us on Facebook and download the Hemet PD app on Google Play or in the App Store