

The Pueblo has received a Corona Virus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act Grant (Cares Act) from the United States Government. The Pueblo is developing a budget so funds can be expended from this grant. The grant comes with prohibitions and permissions as to what type of expenditures quality. Based on the strict guidelines for expenses, we have to spend accordingly and these funds will be audited.

The Tribal Council is asking for your input, as a tribal member, on how or what you want the funds to be expended for the Pueblo. Please send your suggestions to the Council Secretary at 455-4113, ([wsc.tc@outlook.com](mailto:wsc.tc@outlook.com)) or any Council Representative, or call the Governor's office or leave a note at the Tribal Council office (DECP building).

What the Covid-10 Grant permits to spend funds on are the following items:

- Shelter-in-Place compliance (security and/or police costs)
- Assistance given to mitigate foreclosure/homelessness/essential services (such as utilities) due to COVID job loss
- Costs of quarantining of individuals
- Assistance given for funerals due to COVID death
- Development of Wi-Fi networks for telework capabilities and public safety communications
  - The Pueblo has increased wireless access provided by NM Surf and is exploring other additional wireless access options
- Food and supply chain development for COVID activities
- Disinfection costs of public facilities associated with COVID
- Small business development of new markets (see below)
- Bolstering water systems and other essential supplies
  - The Pueblo will be purchasing backup generators for well pumps
- Increasing internet networks for crisis response and economic development
- Temporary medical facilities to improve mitigation measures and/or treat COVID
  - The Pueblo is planning on a modular medical building to consolidate the Diabetes and Community Health Representative programs in a medically safe environment to protect community members and staff.

What is prohibited are these expenditures:

- Capital improvement projects to other than medical buildings
- Anything not related to Covid-19

Please note that we would also like suggestions for economic development ideas, because that is permitted in the Covid-19, grant. Meaning San Ildefonso Services, Inc. (SIS), our business corporation, can explore alternative sources of revenue, and the costs for this would be allowed

under the grant. So, if you have an idea for a business, that SIS might be able to do, please submit that to us also.

For the purposes of receiving comments, the San Ildefonso Council Forum will be open to tribal members so you can leave comments and ask questions about this process. The web address is: <https://sani-tc.org/smf/>. To leave a comment or question, you just have to register, and registering is free.

Recommendations/suggestions are due by May 26, 2020 by close of business.



**Pueblo de San Ildefonso**  
*Office of the Governor*

***Information***

As distribution of food, water and medical supplies get scheduled; we will use this information to notify community members through e-mail, text or phone. This information may also be used for emergency notifications.

Please return to the Governor's Office.

Or, call to leave your information on recorded line (505)455-4105

**Head of Household:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**e-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number in Household:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Santa Fe Indian Center

### NATIVE COMMUNITY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

MAY 22ND, 10AM-12PM, 1420 CERRILLOS ROAD

The Santa Fe Indian Center will be distributing food bags and produce plus Care Bundles for Native Seniors, Children and Infants.

- \* Senior care bundles include soft foods and some personal care items.
- \* Children's care bundles include snacks and museum activity packets.
- \* Care bundles for infants include food, baby products, diapers.
- \* Feminine products, home-made masks, osha root, Depends for adults.
- \* Gardening bags with seeds & instructions.

Available while supplies last. Please stay in your cars when receiving items.

### COVID-19 TESTING WITH THE NM DEPT. OF HEALTH

The New Mexico Department of Health will be conducting drive-thru testing for COVID-19, if you are interested in taking the test.

- \* First step - registration
- \* Second step - the test (nasopharyngeal swab)
- \* Results available in 24 to 48 hours

Staff members from NMDOH will be available to answer any questions.

In conjunction with the State of NM Department of Health and Human Services and City of Espanola Ohkay Owingeh will be hosting:

# COVID-19 Testing

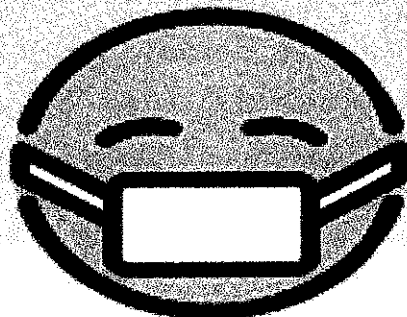
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12:00 P.M. – 2 :00 P.M.

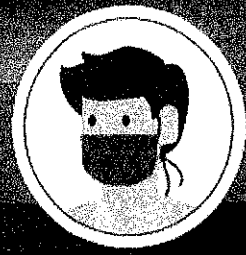
Friday, May 22

12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Ohkay Casino North Parking Lot



# Face Covering Do's and Don'ts



**DO:**

- Make sure you can breathe through it
- Wear it whenever going out in public
- Make sure it covers your nose and mouth
- Wash after using

**DON'T:**

- Use if under two years old

- Use surgical masks or other PPE intended for healthcare workers



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

**This is an official**  
**CDC HEALTH ADVISORY**

Distributed via the CDC Health Alert Network  
May 14, 2020, 4:45 PM ET  
CDCHAN-00432

**Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) Associated  
with Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)**

**Summary**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is providing 1) background information on several cases of a recently reported multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) associated with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and 2) a case definition for this syndrome. CDC recommends healthcare providers report any patient who meets the case definition to local, state, and territorial health departments to enhance knowledge of risk factors, pathogenesis, clinical course, and treatment of this syndrome.

**Background**

On April 26, 2020, clinicians in the United Kingdom (UK) recognized increased reports of previously healthy children presenting with a severe inflammatory syndrome with Kawasaki disease-like features.<sup>1</sup> The cases occurred in children testing positive for current or recent infection by SARS-CoV-2, the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19, based on reverse-transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) or serologic assay, or who had an epidemiologic link to a COVID-19 case. Patients presented with a persistent fever and a constellation of symptoms including hypotension, multiorgan (e.g., cardiac, gastrointestinal, renal, hematologic, dermatologic and neurologic) involvement, and elevated inflammatory markers.<sup>2</sup> Respiratory symptoms were not present in all cases.

Eight cases, including one death, from the UK were described in a recent publication.<sup>3</sup> In the limited sample of 8 children, it was reported that 75% of the patients were of Afro-Caribbean descent and 62.5% were male. The report also indicated that all 8 patients tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 through antibody testing, including the patient that died.<sup>3</sup>

During March and April, cases of COVID-19 rapidly increased in New York City and New York State. In early May 2020, the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene received reports of children with multisystem inflammatory syndrome. From April 16 through May 4, 2020, 15 patients aged 2-15 years were hospitalized, many requiring admission to the intensive care unit. As of May 12, 2020, the New York State Department of Health identified 102 patients (including patients from New York City) with similar presentations, many of whom tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 infection by RT-PCR or serologic assay. New York State and New York City continue to receive additional reports of suspected cases.

Additional reports of children presenting with severe inflammatory syndrome with a laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19 or an epidemiological link to a COVID-19 case have been reported by authorities in other countries.<sup>4</sup>

It is currently unknown if multisystem inflammatory syndrome is specific to children or if it also occurs in adults.

There is limited information currently available about risk factors, pathogenesis, clinical course, and treatment for MIS-C. CDC is requesting healthcare providers report suspected cases to public health authorities to better characterize this newly recognized condition in the pediatric population.

## Recommendations

Healthcare providers who have cared or are caring for patients younger than 21 years of age meeting MIS-C criteria should report suspected cases to their local, state, or territorial health department.

For additional information, please contact CDC's 24-hour Emergency Operations Center at 770-488-7100. After hour phone numbers for health departments are available at the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologist website (<https://resources.cste.org/epiafterhours>).

### Case Definition for Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C)

- An individual aged <21 years presenting with fever<sup>i</sup>, laboratory evidence of inflammation<sup>ii</sup>, and evidence of clinically severe illness requiring hospitalization, with multisystem (≥2) organ involvement (cardiac, renal, respiratory, hematologic, gastrointestinal, dermatologic or neurological); **AND**
- No alternative plausible diagnoses; **AND**
- Positive for current or recent SARS-CoV-2 infection by RT-PCR, serology, or antigen test; or COVID-19 exposure within the 4 weeks prior to the onset of symptoms

<sup>i</sup>Fever ≥38.0°C for ≥24 hours, or report of subjective fever lasting ≥24 hours

<sup>ii</sup>Including, but not limited to, one or more of the following: an elevated C-reactive protein (CRP), erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR), fibrinogen, procalcitonin, d-dimer, ferritin, lactic acid dehydrogenase (LDH), or interleukin 6 (IL-6), elevated neutrophils, reduced lymphocytes and low albumin

#### Additional comments

- Some individuals may fulfill full or partial criteria for Kawasaki disease but should be reported if they meet the case definition for MIS-C
- Consider MIS-C in any pediatric death with evidence of SARS-CoV-2 infection

## References

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/kawasaki/index.html>

<sup>2</sup>Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health Guidance: Paediatric multisystem inflammatory syndrome temporally associated with COVID-19, <https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/sites/default/files/2020-05/COVID-19-Paediatric-multisystem-%20inflammatory%20syndrome-20200501.pdf>.

<sup>3</sup>Riphagen S, Gomez X, Gonzales-Martinez C, Wilkinson N, Theocharis P. Hyperinflammatory shock in children during COVID-19 pandemic. Lancet. 2020. Advance online publication, doi: 10.1016/S0140-6736(20)31094 [https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736\(20\)31094-1/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)31094-1/fulltext)

<sup>4</sup>Verdoni L, Mazza A, Gervasoni A, Martelli L, Ruggeri M, Ciuffreda M, Bonanomi E, D'Anitga L. An outbreak of severe Kawasaki-like disease at the Italian epicentre of the SARS-CoV-2 epidemic: an observational cohort study. Lancet. 2020. Advance online publication, doi: 10.1016/S0140-6736(20)31129-6 [https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736\(20\)31103-X/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)31103-X/fulltext)

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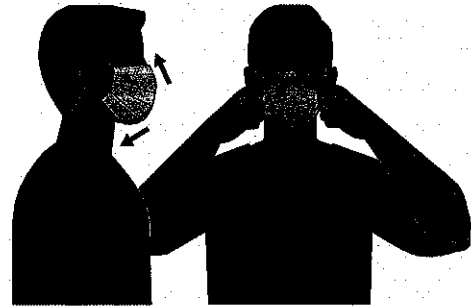
Categories of Health Alert Network messages:



# How to Safely Wear and Take Off a Cloth Face Covering

## WEAR YOUR FACE COVERING CORRECTLY

- Wash your hands before putting on your face covering
- Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin
- Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face
- Make sure you can breathe easily
- Do not place a mask on a child younger than 2

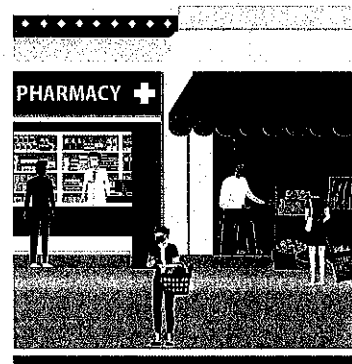


## USE THE FACE COVERING TO PROTECT OTHERS

- Wear a face covering to protect others in case you're infected but don't have symptoms
- Keep the covering on your face the entire time you're in public
- Don't put the covering around your neck or up on your forehead
- Don't touch the face covering, and, if you do, clean your hands

## FOLLOW EVERYDAY HEALTH HABITS

- Stay at least 6 feet away from others
- Avoid contact with people who are sick
- Wash your hands often, with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds each time
- Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available



## TAKE OFF YOUR CLOTH FACE COVERING CAREFULLY, WHEN YOU'RE HOME

- Untie the strings behind your head or stretch the ear loops
- Handle only by the ear loops or ties
- Fold outside corners together
- Place covering in the washing machine
- Wash your hands with soap and water



Cloth face coverings are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, both of which should be saved for health care workers and other medical first responders.

For instructions on making a cloth face covering, see:

[cdc.gov/cottonvirus](https://www.cdc.gov/cottonvirus)



## NORTHERN PUEBLOS HOUSING AUTHORITY

5 WEST GUTIERREZ, SUITE 10, SANTA FE, NM 87506  
PHONE: (505) 455-7973 TOLL FREE: 1-888-347-6360 FAX: (505) 455-3789

**May 15, 2020**

To our Tribal Leaders and tenants,

**Continuing our effort to safeguard against COVID-19, and in conjunction with Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham's recommendations and orders, I am extending and aligning the closure of NPHA until June 15, at which time another assessment will take place. NPHA staff will continue to work remotely through this extension.**

We at NPHA are here to help you—we know how critical it is that you stay connected to essential services, including housing needs. We will continue to keep our employees safe and healthy, and continue to make operational changes during this time.

As we continue to work through this unprecedented situation, we certainly understand we are all affected in one way or another. As valued tenants, please make us aware if and how you may be affected and how we may be able to assist. Depending on your situation from the effects of the coronavirus, we can discuss any situation to determine how NPHA can best assist your needs.

### **Meeting Tenant Needs**

NPHA will continue to provide service with regard to the following:

- ✓ **Reliability and Performance**, with staff availability, housing operations will be available as needed during this time of uncertainty to ensure that our services continue as you expect and need. They are as follows:
  - **You may contact our office at 505-455-7973 to make payments, or by ACH.**
  - **The NPHA drop box is available for payments and paperwork.**
  - **Emergency repairs.**
  - **General maintenance.**
  - **Any other housing needs.**

Wishing everyone good health,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rob Corabi".

Rob Corabi  
Executive Director

 *a Community*   
**GRADUATION PARADE**  
**MAY 30, 2020**

**FOR ALL GRADUATES AND STUDENTS  
BEING PROMOTED**

**HEADSTART THROUGH COLLEGE  
STUDENTS WILL MEET AT SHUUMA PO AT  
3:30 PM.**

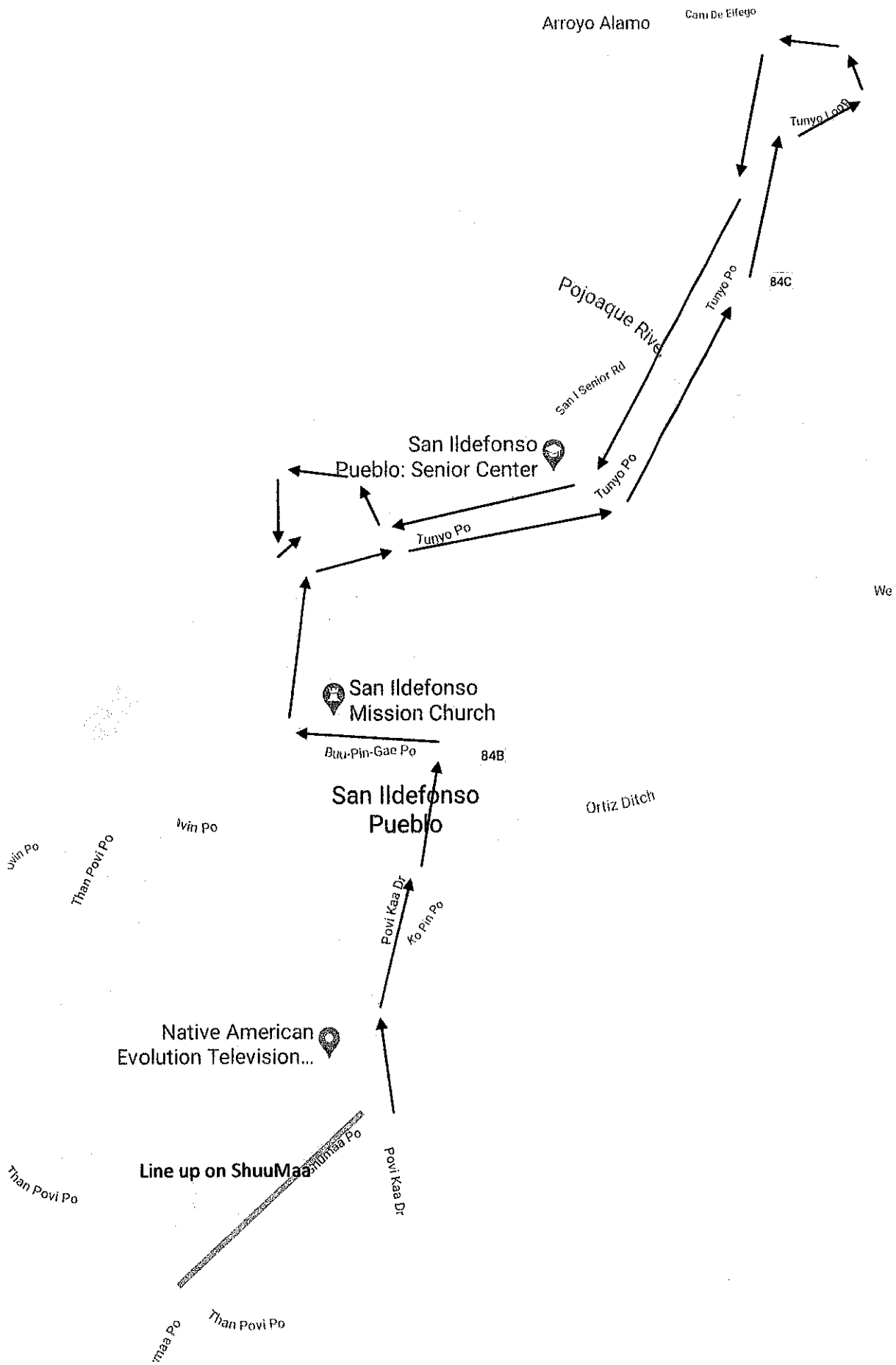
**PARADE WILL BEGIN AT 4:00PM**

**Only people from the same household may ride  
together & NO CANDY**

**Students will be brought through village using  
the main road and will head toward Black Mesa  
housing. Parade will end at the Baseball field  
where Governor and Lieutenant Govenor will  
be addressing the students.**

**Join us in celebrating our San I students!**

**PLEASE REMEMBER, TO PRACTICE SOCIAL  
DISTANCING. YOU MUST REMAIN IN YOUR  
VEHICLE OR WEAR A MASK AND MAINTAIN A  
6 FOOT DISTANCE!**



May 2020



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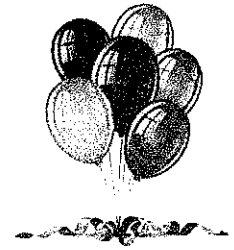
The Education Department regularly receives and distributes scholarship, internship, and other youth opportunities via email.

Join our email list to receive information for you or your student by emailing [education.sanip@gmail.com](mailto:education.sanip@gmail.com)

# Special Bulletin

If you have a college graduate, a Senior graduate, or a student that is being promoted; please send us an email and we'll include them in it to get them the recognition they deserve. Email Aaliyah Gonzales at [agonzales@sanipueblo.org](mailto:agonzales@sanipueblo.org) a picture (optional) with a small paragraph of your student and anything you feel is necessary no later than Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you!

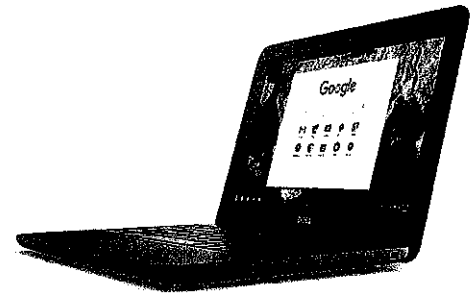
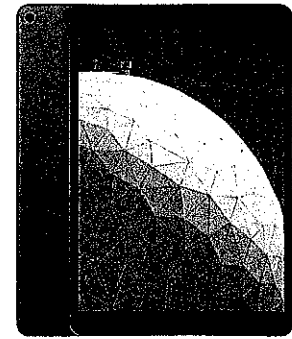


## TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE!

The San Ildefonso Education Department has iPads, Chromebooks and Verizon JetPacks for library loan.

You must sign a technology release form before taking the item.

Please contact Glenda Fred-Weahkee for more information or if you need any of the items.



Please visit our website for "Coronavirus Pandemic" information available under the 'Public Notices' tab and/or educational links during the school shut down under the 'Resources' tab

# [www.sanipueblolibrary.org](http://www.sanipueblolibrary.org)

## **Rental Assistance for Eligible Tenants open on May 18 (Link updated)**

**Short-term rental assistance is available for eligible tenants of income-restricted properties** monitored by MFA who are experiencing financial hardship caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Applications may be submitted electronically starting May 18, 2020 via MFA - New Mexico Housing Trust Fund Rental Assistance**. In order to be considered for first round funding, completed applications must be received no later than 5:00 pm MDT on May 25, 2020. Funds are available via New Mexico Housing Trust Fund Rental Assistance NOFA.

All applicants are encouraged to attend an online training session on application submission to be held on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. MDT. Details regarding the online training session will be posted at MFA - New Mexico Housing Trust Fund Rental Assistance. This new rental assistance program funded is funded by the New Mexico Housing Trust Fund (NMHTF) through the New Mexico Finance Authority.

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### **Santa Fe County Meal Program Expands Distribution**

Santa Fe County and the City of Santa Fe in partnership with the World Central Kitchen, Santa Fe Community College, local chefs, Salvation Army, YouthWorks, and Street Food Institute will be expanding meal distribution to more areas of the county. **Meals are free of charge, available Monday - Friday, and will continue until further notice**. Locations and hours of operation are as follows:

#### **Mondays**

*Santa Fe Community College (NEW)*

6401 Richards Ave, Santa Fe

2:00-4:00 p.m.

#### **Tuesdays**

*Madrid (NEW)*

Madrid Fire Station

5 Firehouse Ln, Madrid

12:00-2:00 p.m.

*Española/La Puebla/Cuaratez/Arroyo Seco/Sombrillo*

Abendon Lopez Sr. Community Center

155 A Camino de Quintana, Espanola, SF County

3:00-4:30 p.m.

*Chimayo*

Benny J Chavez Center

354 A Juan Medina Rd, Chimayo

3:00-4:30 p.m.

*Pojoaque*

Pojoaque Satellite Office

5 West Gutierrez, Suite 9, Pojoaque, NM in the Pojoaque Pueblo Plaza

3:00-4:30pm

*Edgewood*

Edgewood Fire Station

1 Municipal Way, Edgewood

3:00-5:00 p.m.

**Wednesdays**

*La Cienega/La Cieneguilla/La Bajada*

I-25 Exit 271

3:00-4:30 p.m.

*Santa Fe*

Santa Fe Community College (NEW)

6401 Richards Ave, Santa Fe

2:00-4:00 p.m.

**Thursdays**

*Nambe (NEW)*

Nambe Community Center

180 A SR 503, Nambe

3:00-4:30 p.m.

*El Rancho/Jacona/Pojoaque Valley (NEW)*

El Rancho

334 County Road 84, El Rancho

3:00-4:30 p.m.

**Fridays**

*Santa Fe Community College (NEW)*

6401 Richards Ave, Santa Fe

2:00-4:00 p.m.

Meal distribution will comply with all social distancing guidelines issued by the State and there are no qualifications for the free meals or questions asked. Santa Fe County continues to work to promote the health and safety of our residents, and for additional information about the meal distribution, contact Lucy Foma at [lfoma@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:lfoma@santafecountynm.gov) or [505-995-2735](tel:505-995-2735). If you are in need of food or other assistance, please contact the CONNECT Network online at [www.santafecountynm.gov/connect](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/connect) or [www.santafenm.gov/connect](http://www.santafenm.gov/connect).





Office of the Governor

**MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM**



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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May 15, 2020

**Governor signs modified, extended public health  
order  
easing some restrictions and requiring face  
coverings**

SANTA FE – Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham on Friday urged New Mexicans to stay the course in the state’s fight against the spread of COVID-19 as a modified emergency public health order eases restrictions on retail operations and requires everyone to wear a cloth face covering in public, among other changes.

The new emergency health order, modified to acknowledge incremental progress against the novel coronavirus, takes effect Saturday as the previous order expires; it remains in effect through May 31, when further reopening could occur.

The new emergency order, in recognition of increased risk of transmission with additional economic openings, requires everyone to cover their faces in public, with exceptions for eating, drinking and exercise. Reusable cloth face-coverings are easy to make with common household items ([see explanatory video here](#)).

“I know this is not popular, but seat belts, child safety seats and airbags weren’t popular either when they were first adopted, and we know they save lives,” Gov. Lujan Grisham said. “Please: Wear a mask. It’s compassionate. It protects others, including frontline workers of all types, and we owe them a great debt of gratitude. Let’s protect them and each other and our families.”

The extended order, attached to this news release and posted online at [cv.nmhealth.org](http://cv.nmhealth.org), also allows all retailers, beginning Saturday, to operate at 25 percent of their maximum occupancy as determined by fire code. In the interest of consistency, this now includes larger, “big box” retailers. A retailer is defined as any entity where the end-user or consumer is able to purchase a product within the retail space and does not include theaters, performance spaces, entertainment venues and does not yet include high-intensity contact services like dine-in at restaurants and bars, salons, gyms and tattoo parlors.

Houses of worship beginning Saturday may also operate at 25 percent occupancy, according to the public health order, authorized by Health Secretary Kathleen Kunkel.

### **COVID-SAFE PRACTICES:**

The emergency public health order mandates compliance with **COVID-safe practices**, a series of requirements and best practices for businesses and other services – compiled with industry input and the oversight of the governor’s Economic Recovery Council – that will assure the safety of employees and customers. Those COVID-safe practices are available for dissemination and download at [cv.nmhealth.org](http://cv.nmhealth.org) and [newmexico.gov](http://newmexico.gov) and at the link provided here. (The documents include COVID-safe practices for dine-in restaurant services, although those are not yet permissible, in order to allow restaurants and bars and other eateries to prepare for what practices will be required upon a later limited re-opening.)

“If New Mexicans don’t help us as we ease restrictions, we’ll see cases rise, and as they rise, we’ll have to shut down again. That’s the only tool I have,” the governor said. “If I can’t get New Mexicans to protect vulnerable populations, to protect our seniors and children and minority populations and homeless populations and essential workers and health care workers and first responders and so many more, I will do whatever it takes to protect them. But you can help me. And if we all do this together, we can keep easing restrictions in a safe manner and go on living in a COVID-19 world.”

On May 1, New Mexico State Parks allowed eight state parks to reopen for day use only. As of May 15, as the state continues to evaluate which areas are safe and can be regulated in line with public health needs, the agency has added nine more: Oasis, Oliver Lee, Clayton Lake & Dinosaur Trackways, Pancho Villa, Mesilla Valley Bosque, Living Desert Zoo and Gardens, Coyote Creek, City of Rocks, Rockhound. Before visiting a state park, check [www.emnrd.state.nm.us/SPD](http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/SPD) for hours of operation, visitor capacity guidelines, available facilities and group size restrictions.

Motor Vehicle Division field offices will reopen in a limited fashion June 1 with COVID-safe practices for appointment-only services that can’t be completed online -- for example, first-time REAL IDs, services for seniors, driving tests and VIN inspections. Early morning appointments will be reserved for seniors. Both employees and customers will wear face coverings. Staff will disinfect vehicles inside and touchpoints outside before and after driving tests/VIN inspections, and both employee and customer will be required to wear face coverings and gloves for those services.

The changes are part of New Mexico's phased plan for a safe and gradual reopening based on "gating criteria" that show a generally decreasing transmission rate, adequate testing, contact tracing and hospital capacity, and adequate supply of personal protective equipment.

The new order moves most of New Mexico from the Preparation Phase to Phase 1 based on small improvements in the transmission rate and the other gating criteria. However, the state continues to see statewide spread of the highly contagious virus. As of Friday, New Mexico had 5,662 reported positive cases and 253 reported fatalities associated with the virus. Two hundred and twenty three New Mexicans remain hospitalized.

"As we ease up on some restrictions, to make sure we don't have another outbreak, everyone needs to wear your mask and keep your distance," said Dr. David Scrase, Human Services Department secretary.

In line with the gating criteria, the amended public health order will again relax several restrictions on low-intensity contact services to relieve additional economic pressure.

#### **WHAT REMAINS THE SAME:**

- New Mexicans must remain home except for outings essential for health, safety and welfare, especially elderly and vulnerable individuals. If you must leave home, gatherings of more than five people remain prohibited and 6 feet of physical distance from others must be maintained.
- Locations and services where high-intensity contact is unavoidable -- such as gyms, salons, indoor malls, tattoo parlors and dine-in service at restaurants and bars -- remain temporarily closed. Limited in-person operations for those types of businesses could be included in the next modification of the public health order, as soon as early June, depending on New Mexico's rate of COVID-19 transmission, testing capacity and other gating criteria.
- Other high-intensity contact services that must remain closed include indoor malls, massage and tattoo parlors, theaters, casinos.
- A 14-day quarantine order remains in place for out-of-state airport arrivals.
- Vacation rentals are prohibited to out-of-state residents.
- Visits to long-term care and other congregate care facilities remain restricted.

#### **WHAT WILL CHANGE BEGINNING MAY 16:**

- All retailers may operate according to COVID-Safe Practices ("CSPs") at 25 percent fire code occupancy. (A "retailer" is any business that sells goods directly to the ultimate consumer or end-users and does not include wholesalers or suppliers, not does it include entertainment venues such as movie theaters, concert halls, or amusement parks);
- Large retailers like big-box stores and grocery stores may also operate at 25 percent capacity as determined by fire code.

- Non-essential businesses (other than retailers; such as office spaces, call centers) generally may operate according to CSPs at up to 25 percent of pre-crisis staffing levels. All employees should continue to work from home wherever possible;
- Houses of worship may operate at 25 percent occupancy;
- Masks will be required of everyone in public places, with exceptions for eating, drinking and exercising and medical requirements.

The mask requirement is based in part on a recent study that found if 80 percent of us adopt a simple homemade face mask, we could reduce deaths from COVID-19 by 17-45 percent over two months, according to Dr. Scrase.

“All of us wearing masks could save thousands of lives,” he said.

The three counties – McKinley, San Juan and Cibola – in the state’s northwestern public health region that remains a COVID-19 hotspot are exempt from the new order but will be allowed to move into the preparation phase that began two weeks ago for the rest of the state. That means that in those counties, non-essential retailers may provide curbside pickup or delivery; golf courses, pet and veterinary services may open; and gun stores may operate by appointment. However, the order to stay home except for essential outings remains in place.

Assuming continued progress on the gating criteria (reduced transmission rates and adequate capacity for health care and supplies), higher-intensity contact could be phased in when the new order expires. That might include partially reopening salons, barbers, gyms, indoor malls, and dine-in at restaurants with limited occupancy and COVID-safe practices in place. Additionally, occupancy restrictions on houses of worship, motels and hotels could possibly expand in early June.

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