



**STAY SAFE.
STAY HOME.**

Do your part to stop the spread and save lives.

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Updates from Your Town Manager

Did you get a chance to watch our first Virtual Town Council meeting this past Tuesday? If you did not, then you missed the update Town Manager Todd Cusimano provided. The Town wants to reassure the public that all essential Town services will continue, including trash and recycling, police and fire response, and other day-to-day operations with modifications.



Thank you for continuing to support our community while we get through this together. We are here for you, please stay home and stay safe. To watch the part of the meeting where Town Manager Cusimano gave his report, please click on the following link (*please note that the video recording currently available is provided through our Granicus records and due to limited technology, there may be some slight static noise*):

https://cortemadera.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=1&clip_id=228&meta_id=5093

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN TOWN?

Virtual Easter Egg Hunt

Corte Madera Parks & Rec and Larkspur Rec Departments are teaming up with The Bunny to bring you a Live Virtual Egg Hunt this Sunday 4/12! Details & participation directions posted on Facebook and Nextdoor by Friday at 5pm! Sunday Hunt on Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/cmparksandrec/>



Check out this cool video with The Bunny
<https://www.facebook.com/cmparksandrec/videos/903741100075186/>

Stay-at-Home & Park CLOSURE ORDERS

The COVID-19 public health crisis in the County, the region, and the nation has worsened significantly over the past two weeks. The County Health Officer has determined that stricter social distancing is needed to slow the rate of spread, prevent deaths, and stop the health care system from becoming overwhelmed.

What are the Some of the Major Changes in this New Order?

The new Order extends the shelter in place requirements until 11:59 p.m. on May 3, 2020 and is also more restrictive in a number of ways. Major new restrictions include:

1. **SOCIAL DISTANCING requirements are MANDATORY.** Unless strict compliance is explicitly waived, everyone must comply with the social distancing requirements at all times.
2. Essential businesses that continue to operate facilities in the County must scale down operations to their essential component only.
3. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home are no longer essential businesses under the Order, and must cease operations (except minimum basic operations) at facilities in the County.
4. **Use of playgrounds, dog parks, public picnic areas, and similar recreational areas is prohibited. These areas must be closed to public use.**
5. **Use of shared public recreational facilities such as golf courses, tennis and basketball courts, pools, and rock walls is prohibited.** These facilities must be closed for recreational use.
6. Sports or activities that require use of shared equipment, like frisbees, basketballs, baseballs, and soccer balls, may only be engaged in by members of the same household.

To get a complete list of significant changes including clarifications from the Prior Order see the [Order](#) and the [FAQs](#) provided by the Health Officer of the County of Marin. To view the Executive Summary of the New Shelter Order Issued on March 31, 2020 click [here](#).



Playgrounds, Tennis Courts, bathrooms and Skate Park CLOSED

In accordance with the Order of the County Health Officer of the County of Marin to shelter in Place, Corte Madera Parks and Recreation Programs and facilities are **CLOSED** until further notice in order to minimize exposure and spread of the COVID-19 virus. We appreciate the need for fresh air and activity and urge everyone who uses other areas of the park to respect and practice social distancing for the well-being of our community.

CORTE MADERA COMMUNITY



Community Help Line

Did you know our Parks and Recreation Department has been checking in with some of our residents to see if they are in need of any help? that's right. Staff is reaching out to those who are the most vulnerable in case they need a little hand during these tough times.

If you know anyone who you believe may want someone to check in and chat, get information, support and help, then please share the help line phone number

and someone from our staff will reach out and help. (415)991-4040

Remember that CORTE MADERA IS HERE FOR YOU.



Community Outreach Mailer

We know that these unsettled times are particularly difficult for some folks and invite you to call us to:

- Check in and chat
- Get information
- Get support and help if you need it
- Learn about resources available

Please call us at (415) 991-4040 and leave us a message with your name and phone number and what we can do for you! Please be aware that this is not a complaint line but an opportunity to check in with us. [See flyer for more information.](#)



What's Open In Town

Check out the current list of local businesses you can keep supporting while following the rules of social distancing and the Shelter in Place Order.

Restaurants

- Baja Fresh: (415)924-8522
- Burmatown: (415)945-9096 (take out/delivery)
- Cafe Verde Pizzeria and Ristorante: (415)927-1060
- Fieldwork Brewing Company: (415)891-8273
- Juice Shop: (415)927-1959
- La Maison de la Reine: (415)927-0288
- Marin Joe's: (415)924-2081 (take out)

- Nothing Bundt Cakes: (415)924-2500 (take out)
- Pig In A Pickle: (415)891-3265
- Stefano's Pizza: (415)924-9666 (take out/delivery)
- The Cheesecake Factory: (415)945-0777
- Tub-Tim Thai Restaurant: (415)924-1223 (take out/delivery)
- World Wrapps: (415)927-3663
- Zinz Winebar: (415)927-9466 (Bottle sales of wine and beer 3pm -7pm daily. Curbside pick up and free deliveries)

Pet Stores

- Just Food For Dogs: (628)212-2102 (Open reduced hours 11am - 6pm Monday to Sunday)
- Pet Club: (415)927-2862

Food Stores

- Andy's Market: (415)945-9068
- Colonial Liquors: (415)924-0512
- Nugget Market: (415)945-8855 (see info below on dedicated senior shopping hours)
- Rite Aid: (415)924-4557
- Safeway: (415)927-1960 (see info below on dedicated senior shopping hours)

Nugget Market and Safeway have designated temporary shopping hours specifically for guests ages 65 and older and for those who are at-risk due to health conditions. The hours for each store are as follows:

- Nugget Market: 7-8am
- Safeway: 7-9am

For questions on these designated shopping hours, please call the stores. Also, please note that beginning Monday, April 13th, Nugget market will not be allowing individuals who are not wearing face masks into their stores. If you have questions about their new policy, please contact them directly.



New Restrictions on Construction Projects to Last Through 5/3/20

On Tuesday, March 31, 2020, the Marin County Health Officer released a new Shelter in Place Order which strengthens and clarifies the prior order, extends the shelter in place requirement to May 3, 2020, and also places stringent limitations on the types of construction activities that may take place. The intent of the Marin County Shelter in Place Order is to ensure that the maximum number of people shelter in their places of residence to the maximum extent feasible to slow the spread of COVID19.

The Town of Corte Madera Building Department would like to highlight that under the new Order, most construction—residential and commercial—is prohibited. Exceptions may be made for healthcare facility construction directly related to the COVID-19 response; deed-restricted affordable housing; public works projects when designated as essential; shelters and temporary housing; projects necessary to provide critical services to certain vulnerable individuals; construction necessary to secure an existing construction site; and limited life/safety residential or business repairs.

Building Department staff have begun the process of reaching out directly to property owners and contractors who have existing construction projects within Corte Madera to inform them of the provisions of the new Order, determine which projects are essential, and seek voluntary compliance. The Order as a whole is enforced by the Central Marin

Police Authority. Questions or concerns specific to construction activities in Corte Madera should be directed to the Town's Code Enforcement Officer using our online Report a Concern tool (<https://www.townofcortemadera.org/requesttracker.aspx>) Please share this information with your friends and neighbors. [Click here for a PDF of this notice.](#)



Road Work During COVID-19

The Central Marin Fire Department has been in continuous contact with the Marin County Health and Human Services Department regarding the current state of the COVID-19 health crisis, and more importantly on what are the best practices during the Shelter at Home Order. As you are aware certain activities have been allowed to continue, as long as social distances of 6 feet or greater are maintained.

The County urges non-essential outdoor services to be deferred to minimize risk of transmission. However, there are some outdoor services that would be considered essential and are permitted under this Order, including fire reduction work, maintaining growth along curbs and medians in order to ensure visibility along roadways, minimum basic operations necessary to maintain the value of a business, and other tasks that are essential to the health and safety of the public.

The Central Marin Fire Department, Town of Corte Madera, and City of Larkspur will continue its vegetation management and hazardous fuels reduction projects along our PRIMARY and SECONDARY evacuation routes while maintaining social distances.

Please do not hesitate to contact Fire Marshal Ruben Martin at 628-600-9988 if you have any questions.

To view and share the official notice with this announcement, please click on the following link:

<https://www.townofcortemadera.org/DocumentCenter/View/4910/Roadside-Work-During-COVID-19>

Town of Corte Madera Evacuation Route Fuels Reduction Program Updates

Please note that the following streets have been scheduled for abatement to begin as noted below and as time and weather permits.

Week of May 11th (*postponed from April 13th and April 20th due to urgent projects*)
 - Sunnyside Avenue, Presidio Avenue, Prospect Lane, Templeton Court, Grove Avenue, Pepper Avenue, Pepperwood Lane, Fawn Lane, and Walnut Avenue

If you have any questions regarding this program, please do not hesitate to contact our Resilience Coordinator, Marla Orth at (415)924-6362. To view the notice that was mailed to residents on these above streets, please click [here](#).

Upcoming Road Closure on Chapman Drive and Tamalpais Drive

Please be advised that we have scheduled an upcoming road closure on Tamalpais Drive and Chapman Drive in order to remove a compromised Monterey Pine located at 205 Chapman Drive. We will be publishing the official notice from the Fire Marshal in the upcoming week.



To view the proposed road closure, please click [here](#).

Notice of Reorganization of the Corte Madera Town Council

At its April 7, 2020 regular meeting, the Corte Madera Town Council certified the results of the March 3, 2020 municipal election, appointed a new Mayor and Vice Mayor and reorganized as follows:

- Mayor Eli Beckman
- Vice Mayor David Kunhardt
- Councilmember Fred Casissa (elected March 3, 2020)
- Councilmember Charles Lee (elected March 3, 2020)
- Councilmember Bob Ravasio

To view and share the official notice regarding this reorganization, please click [here](#). Please contact the Town Clerk at 415-927-5085, or via email to vaughn@tcmmail.org, with any questions regarding this information.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN & AROUND MARIN



COVID-19 Scams and Frauds

During these difficult times, some individuals make this an opportunity to prey on vulnerable people. It is very important to be aware and alert at all times.

If you think you are a victim or have had interactions with others whom you believe have fraudulent intentions,

please make note of the following information.

Federal Trade Commission

- For virus-related scam and fraud information: <https://www.ftc.gov/coronavirus>
- Report scams and frauds to: <https://www.ftc.gov/complaint>
- To receive consumer scam and fraud alerts: <https://www.ftc.gov/subscribe>
- To check out a charity: <http://www.ftc.gov/charity> or <https://www.charitynavigator.org>

AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline

- Report suspected frauds and scams: 877-908-3360

Medicare

Be sure to also protect your identity from scammers by guarding your Medicare Number.

It's easy to get distracted and let your guard down during these uncertain times. Scammers may try to steal your Medicare Number. They might lie about sending you Coronavirus vaccines, tests, masks, or other items in exchange for your Medicare Number or personal information.

- Only share your Medicare Number with your primary and specialty care doctors, participating Medicare pharmacist, hospital, health insurer, or other trusted healthcare provider.
- Check your Medicare claims summary forms for errors.

Visit [Medicare.gov/fraud](https://www.medicare.gov/fraud) for more information on protecting yourself from fraud and reporting suspected fraud.



Help for Older Californians

Governor Gavin Newsom announced that a hotline has been launched to deliver services and help for older Californians as they shelter at home during the novel coronavirus pandemic.

The phone number is 1-833-544-2374. Please share with family members and neighbors.



COVID-19 in Marin County

The County's Health and Human Services Department has been publishing status updates regarding COVID-19. Their website is continually being updated and also has lots of details on the Shelter in Place Orders and various new details. Please visit their [website](#) and read their latest updates or click on the links below for information on the following:

New Guidelines About Wearing Facecoverings When Out in Public:

<https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/covid-19-status-update-4-3-2020.pdf>

New Public Health Emergency Quarantine Order (Effective April 5th)

https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/hho_coronavirus_blanket_quarantine-marin.pdf

New Public Health Emergency Isolation Order (Effective April 5th)

https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/hho_coronavirus_isolation_order-marin.pdf

[04/hho_coronavirus_blanket_isolation-marin.pdf](#)

COVID-19 Guidance At Home Quarantine & Isolation Safety

<https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/quarantineandisolation-finalfinal.pdf>

UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

No meetings are scheduled at this time. For information on regularly scheduled meetings, please visit the [agenda center](#). We apologize for not being able to confirm detailed information at this time.



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