



SUPERVISOR MONICA BROWN CORONAVIRUS UPDATE 15 (06/26/2020)

Hello,

Welcome to my most recent coronavirus update. If I can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to contact me at 707-784-3031 or at mebrown@solanocounty.com.

RISING CASE NUMBERS

Solano County, like the rest of the state and country, is seeing a rise in coronavirus diagnoses. This is partially attributable to increased testing. However, a big driver of the increase are large family gatherings. I understand how difficult it has been not seeing our loved ones in person these past few months. However, large gatherings are not safe currently. It is extremely important to remember that the virus is very much present and the risk of contracting it remains. Please wash your hands, wear a face covering in public, stay 6ft away from others and follow all health and safety guidelines.

NEW CORONAVIRUS DASHBOARD

Solano County has revamped our Covid-19 dashboard. More detail is provided such as the rate per 100,000 people in each city, the demographic breakdown of hospitalizations and deaths from Covid-19 and more.

Although we see increased infections, our number of deaths, hospitalization, ICU bed availability and ventilator availability remain relatively stable.

To see our new dashboard, please visit: <https://doitgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=055f81e9fe154da5860257e3f2489d67>

PHARMACEUTICALS FOR COVID-19

Solano County hospitals are receiving doses of remdesivir, which has been shown to reduce the recovery time for Covid-19 in those hospitalized. My office

**Important Numbers
Resources and
Dates**

District 2 Office

(707) 784-3031

**Clerk of the Board
& County
Administrator's
Office**

(707) 784-6100

Veterans Services

(707) 784-6590

**Health &
Social Services**

(707) 784-8400

Assessor/Recorder

(707) 784-6200

**Resource
Management**

(707) 784-6765

Registrar of Voters

(707) 784-6675

**Tax
Collector/Treasurer
/County Clerk**

(707) 784-7485

asked county staff to see if our hospitals are utilizing dexamethasone. Dexamethasone is a cheap steroid that has been shown in studies to reduce deaths by a third in patients hospitalized with Covid-19. It is important that we do everything we can to protect our residents.

Area Agency on Aging

(707) 784-8960

U.S. Social Security

(800) 772-1213

TESTING

I cannot emphasize enough how important it is to get tested for Covid-19. This is true even if you don't have symptoms. Widespread testing will allow us to identify those who are positive yet asymptomatic and get them to quarantine. This will help slow the spread of the disease. It will also allow us to track and trace people those testing positive encountered so that they may get tested as well, thus further decreasing the spread. Also, the state is looking at the positivity rate (the percentage of those who test positive) to measure progress.

As I mentioned in my last update, I tested negative after getting tested at the Norman King Center in Vallejo. Starting on Monday June 29th, the Vacaville site will be moved to Fairfield at the Alan Witt Complex on Texas St. Please get tested and encourage everyone you know to get tested.

To schedule a test,

visit: https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus_links/faq_community_testing_sites.asp

PG&E POWER SHUTOFFS AND BASELINE PROGRAM

PG&E has requested that anyone who has durable medical equipment sign up for the baseline program. This program provides a discount on your electric bill if you must use durable medical equipment (such as oxygen, CPAP and other medical devices).

The drive to get more people to sign up is so that PG&E has better records of who needs the equipment in the event of a public safety power shutoff. There are more shutoffs expected as we get further into fire season.

Due to Covid-19, you are not required to get a doctor's certification for the baseline program currently (you may need to in the future). For more information about the baseline program, please

visit: https://www.pge.com/en_US/residential/save-energy-money/help-paying-

[your-bill/longer-term-assistance/medical-condition-related/medical-baseline-allowance/medical-baseline-allowance.page?WT.mc_id=Vanity_medicalbaseline](#)

COUNTY BUDGET APPROVED

Yesterday (Thursday June 25th), the Supervisors approved the county's 2020-2021 provisional budget. This budget is a placeholder until we can determine the full impact of the covid-19 crisis on our budget. We will be adopting a final budget in September when we have a clearer picture. For more information, please see: <https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/fairfield/supervisors-approve-1-16b-preliminary-budget-for-2020-21/>

ALERT SOLANO

Please sign up for Alert Solano, the county's emergency notification system. To sign up, please visit: <https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/oes/alertsolano/information.asp>

PLEASE DON'T USE FIREWORKS

Please refrain from using fireworks. Fire season has started, and we must all do our part to keep our community safe.

Thank you for reading my most recent update. I will be sending another update in two weeks. Stay safe, spread kindness and have a Happy 4th of July!

Sincerely,

Monica Brown,

Solano County Supervisor, District 2.



First elected in 2016, Monica represents District 2 on the Solano County Board of Supervisors. District 2 encompasses the city of Benicia, the portion of Vallejo south of Georgia Street, Mare Island, Cordelia, Green Valley and a portion of Fairfield.



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