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Solano County Health Officer extends shelter at home health order and directive through May 17, 2020

SOLANO COUNTY – Solano County Public Health officials have extended the County's shelter at home health order and directive until May 17, 2020, to continue directing individuals to stay at home except to get food, care for a relative or friend, get necessary health care and to engage in essential activities and work. The County's health order extension is in line with the Governor's orders, and works to prevent the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) disease in the community.

The health order is issued to extend the shelter at home directive due to the existence of, as of 4 p.m. on April 24, 2020, 199 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Solano County, 22 currently active cases, 50 cases requiring hospitalizations, and the confirmation of four individuals who have died because of the disease. The significant number of confirmed cases currently in Solano County, and confirmed cases and deaths in surrounding counties, including the greater Bay Area, Sacramento County and San Joaquin County regions have not substantially improved since the issuance of the March 30, 2020 Solano County health order and directive extension. This extension is necessary to continue to slow the rate of spread of the virus, to allow for additional testing and to continue working with the healthcare community to ensure the hospital and healthcare systems do not become overwhelmed.

The Solano County health order and directive, originally issued on March 18, outlines essential activities in our community that will remain open and operational, including government services, healthcare operations, grocery stores, agricultural operations, businesses that provide food, shelter and social services to needy individuals, media outlets, gas stations, banks and financial institutions, service industries, mail, shipping and supplies, laundromats, restaurants that provide delivery or drop off services, supply product companies, transportation industries, professional services and childcare. All non-essential gatherings, including bars, nightclubs, wineries, gyms, movie theatres, hair and nail salons, entertainment venues and restaurants with dine-in options are to remain closed until further notice.

The Solano County Public Health Officer will continue to monitor the situation, to re-evaluate this order as further medical and scientific data becomes available and continue to coordinate closely with the healthcare community.

For more information on COVID-19, including the shelter at home health order and directive, community resources, number of COVID-19 cases, essential vs. non-essential functions, food, employment, healthcare and frequently asked questions, visit www.SolanoCounty.com/PublicHealth, call the Coronavirus warmline, Monday – Friday between 7 a.m. – 6 p.m. at (707) 784-8988, email covid19@SolanoCounty.com and on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/SolanoCountyPH.