



**SUPERVISOR MONICA BROWN CORONAVIRUS UPDATE 41  
(02/04/2021)**

Hello Benicia, Fairfield and Vallejo,

Welcome to my most recent coronavirus update. Please don't hesitate to contact me at [mebrown@solanocounty.com](mailto:mebrown@solanocounty.com) or at 707-784-3031.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS**

In honor of Black History Month, Solano Community College will be hosting many black history month events. To see about the events, please visit: <https://www.timesheraldonline.com/2021/02/02/solano-community-college-hosting-virtual-black-history-month-events/>

Also, the Solano County Library is highlighting books for Black History Month. For more information, please visit: <https://solanolibrary.com/services/try12/#1597641763141-ddb61462-6226>

**VACCINATION INFORMATION**

The vaccine continues to be on all our minds. The county is setting up mass vaccination clinics in the county. One was held in Benicia this past Tuesday and one will be held this coming weekend at the Fairgrounds. All slots have been filled and only those in the eligible tiers will be vaccinated. The slots for the future clinics will likely fill up right away. Please sign up for notification of when the vaccines will be available using the link below. The county will use this list to notify eligible residents when mass vaccination events happen, so please make sure to sign up.

For more information about vaccines in Solano County and to sign up on the vaccination interest form, please visit: [https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus\\_links/covid\\_19\\_vaccines.asp](https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus_links/covid_19_vaccines.asp)

**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/Co  
county Clerk**

(707) 784-7485

**Area Agency on Aging**

(707) 784-8960

I know that we all want to get vaccinated, but the hard truth continues to be that we simply do not have enough vaccines to vaccinate everyone currently eligible. If you have been vaccinated, please continue to wear your face covering and practice social distancing until enough of the general population is vaccinated against the virus.

When you can get a vaccine, please don't take a pain reliever beforehand. The information available says that it may reduce the effectiveness of the vaccine. <https://abcnews.go.com/Health/avoid-preventive-pain-relievers-covid-vaccine-experts/story?id=75491965>

### **CORONAVIRUS NUMBERS**

While our numbers are still too high, we are seeing much improvement across almost all indicators. However, in heartbreaking news, we have seen an increase in deaths from coronavirus in the county over the last week. This is most likely the last of the impacts from the holiday surges. My heart goes out to the family and friends of those lost.

Super Bowl Sunday is coming up, and it is extremely important that we be careful. I am a huge football fan and I love Super Bowl Sunday. However, it is important that we remember the virus is still with us and not have people over to your home.

The largest driver of spreading the virus has been private gatherings. Although these gatherings are strongly discouraged, the fact of the matter is that these gatherings will take place. IF you have people over to your house for Super Bowl Sunday (I want to reiterate that is strongly recommended that you NOT have people over), then please wear masks, stay 6ft apart, open your windows and/or doors to let air flow through, stay away if your over 65, have a pre-existing health condition, or if you are sick, get tested for coronavirus before and after the event if possible, and limit the number of people who attend. These guidelines are only IF you have people over, the strong recommendation is that you do not have people over.

Please wear a strong mask when you must be around others outside of your household. For more information, please visit: <https://www.livescience.com/variants-mask-upgrade.html>

For more information about our coronavirus numbers, testing, and more, please visit: <https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/coronavirus.asp>

### **SENATOR BILL DODD TOWNHALL**

Senator Bill Dodd, who represents all of Solano County in the State Senate, will be holding a townhall on Covid-19 and housing. The townhall will be held on Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. For more information, please visit: <https://sd03.senate.ca.gov/news/20210202-sen-dodd-virtual-town-hall-covid-19-and-housing>

### **REDISTRICTING**

Now that the census has been completed, Solano County will begin the process of determining the boundary lines for the Supervisor districts. About two years ago, I proposed placing the authority for redrawing the boundaries in the hands of an independent panel rather than the Supervisors drawing their own boundaries. A majority of the Supervisors expressed opposition to that idea when I brought it forward.

This past Tuesday (February 2<sup>nd</sup>), the rest of the Supervisors reaffirmed the decision that the Board will draw the boundaries for the Supervisors but approved the idea of an advisory board. I will have more information as we move forward with this process. The cities (with council districts) and school boards (with trustee districts) will also be redrawing their maps.

For more information about the Tuesday meeting and my previous attempt to create an independent redistricting panel, please see:

<https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/fairfield/supervisors-will-keep-final-census-redistricting-authority/>

<https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/fairfield/solano-supervisors-not-interested-in-citizen-redistricting-boards/>

**BENICIA ROAD**

The 5-year capital improvement plan was presented to the Board on Tuesday (February 2<sup>nd</sup>). This is done every year. There is a major commitment to improve the county portion of Benicia Road in Vallejo. I have been advocating for this for the last 4 years. It is great to see we are making progress.

Thank you for taking the time to read my update. Please stay safe and spread kindness in our community during this difficult time.

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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