

Message from the Mayor

Friday, April 17, 2020

**As of today, Santee has 22 confirmed cases of the Coronavirus.**

This week I received an email asking whether or not someone from the City or I have talked about stay at home orders, social distancing, and wearing face masks. The simple answer is yes.

The orders to stay at home and remain a social distance of six feet away from others, except household members is still in effect until further notice. The wearing of masks pertains to employees of open businesses. All others it is highly suggested to prevent the spread of the virus. Please be respectful of other community members, and thank you for doing your part to slow the infection.

The City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is still up and running where they are meeting virtually on-line, and collecting information regularly.

Yesterday, the Governor unveiled six key indicators that will guide health officials to decide when and how to modify health orders. It is essential for Santee businesses and workers to ready for when the rules are lifted. Therefore, I am announcing that I will be convening a "Blue Ribbon Committee" to explore how to get Santee moving again while following any new guidelines. I will provide updates as information becomes available. "Hang Tough Santee, hang tough."

The Governor also announced a new initiative to expand call center hours at the Employment Development Department (EDD) to assist Californians with unemployment applications better.

Starting Monday, the call center will operate seven days a week from 8 am-8 pm. He also directed the EDD to expedite access to the Work Share program to avert layoffs. And at the end of this month, EDD will implement a one-stop-shop for those applying for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance, including the self-employed and independent contractors.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and have a great Santee Day!

Thank you,



John Minto  
Mayor, City of Santee

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