

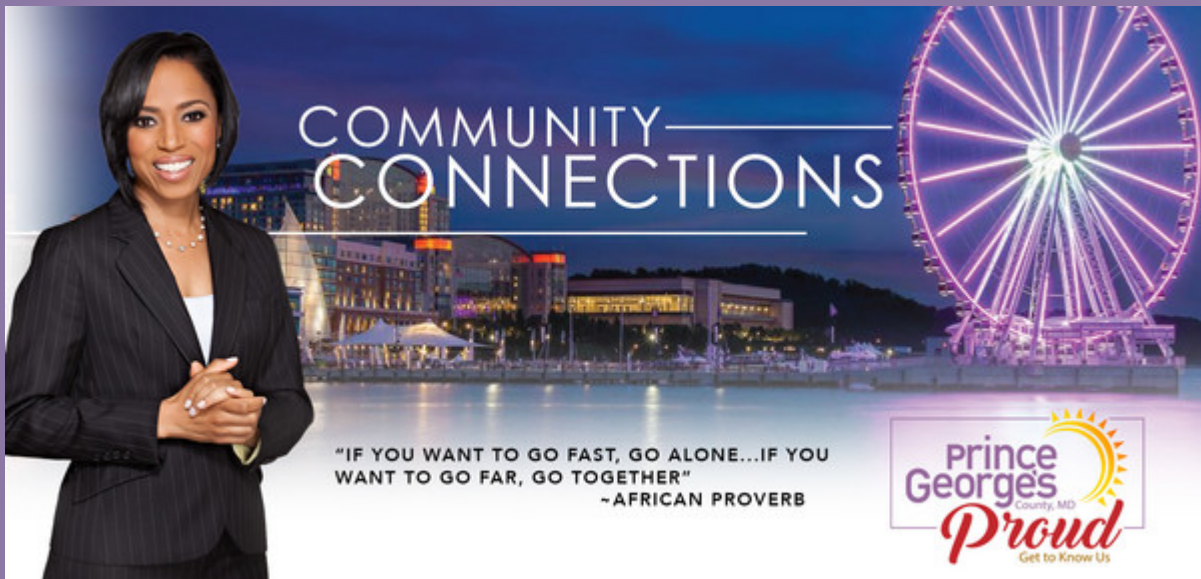


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Community Connections Newsletter: COVID-19 Update

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COVID-19 Update: Prince Georgians Remain Resilient

Dear Prince Georgians:

We are heartbroken to share with you that one of our own Prince Georgians has lost his life to the coronavirus, COVID-19. I ask that you join me in keeping his loved ones in our constant prayers. This pandemic represents an unprecedented crisis for Prince George's County. We are confronting this pandemic head on and working around the clock to protect the well-being of our residents.

In an effort to keep our community informed, we hosted a Tele-Town Hall on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. I want to thank the 35,000 Prince Georgians who participated in our Tele-Town Hall, as well as Congressman Anthony Brown, Dr. Ernest Carter and Dr. Goldson for

joining me to provide critical updates to our community. We are continuing to explore unique and innovative ways to keep our community informed while adhering to social distancing guidelines.

In addition, I would like to thank the Capital Area Food Bank volunteers who helped feed over 600 families at our pop-up food pantries on March 17. Due to the high demand in Prince George's County, we are collaborating with the Capital Area Food Bank on pop-up food pantries in the near future.

We also have several updates to share with you regarding postponed events, changes to County services, and new resources for residents and businesses. We have cancelled or postponed two additional events, including the Senior Census Bingo Day scheduled for March 20, 2020 and our Growing Green with Pride Day scheduled for April 18, 2020.

The Economic Development Corporation (EDC), in collaboration with **FSC First** and the **Prince George's Chamber of Commerce**, is working to inform small businesses about the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program. This program provides small businesses with working capital loans of up to \$2 million to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they may be experiencing. The SBA has declared Prince George's County an economic disaster area that qualifies for this program.

Small businesses interested in applying should visit the [SBA website](#). If your small business needs assistance with the application process, please reach out to the [EDC](#), [FSC First](#), or the [Prince George's Chamber of Commerce](#).

WMATA has announced they are further reducing metro service. The rail system will close at 11:00 PM daily until further notice, and the public is urged to use Metro for essential trips only. More information can be found on [their website](#).

The Department of Public Works & Transportation has announced a reduction in **TheBus** services. Effective today, TheBus has suspended transit service on Routes 21x, 22, 25, 35s, 51, and 53, as well as reduced service on Routes 27 and 34. There will be no fare charged on TheBus routes in service until further notice. Also, to promote social distancing, TheBus asks riders to enter and exit using the rear doors only, to limit close contact between passengers and the driver. Exceptions will be made for individuals with disabilities and mothers with strollers.

If you are not feeling well, do not take public transportation, call your health care provider immediately and ask for guidance and assistance. This is for your personal safety and the safety of our public transportation drivers.

The Department of the Environment has announced that the Animal Services Facility (ASF) and Adoption Center is operating under limited services. Appointments are required to obtain the following services: pet adoptions, call 301-780-7201; pet redemptions and pet licensing, call 301-780-7222; owner requested euthanasia and emergency owner surrender (sick or injured animals), call 301-780-7241. Animal control officers will be responding to emergency calls as needed. ASF is not accepting volunteers, except with a few on special assignment. Also, the facility will no longer accept donations of used household bedding, towels, stuffed animals, or any other items that cannot be disinfected, until further notice.

As a reminder, all bulky, regular trash and recycling, and yard trim collections remain on schedule. A complete and up-to-date list of County Government closures and changes in government operations can be found [online here](#).

Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) has announced another expansion of student meal sites during the statewide school closures. Now, students can receive a "Grab

and Go” bag at 36 sites across the County, which includes breakfast, lunch and a snack. These sites are open weekdays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. More information and a complete list of meal sites can be found on the [PGCPS website](#).

Grocery stores in our County have announced special **senior shopping hours** to assist our seniors with their shopping needs. Safeway hours are 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Giant hours are 6:00 AM to 7:00 AM daily. Save-A-Lot hours are 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM daily. Please help us share this information with our seniors, and consider offering to pick up groceries for a senior loved one or neighbor that you know.

In addition to these County updates, Maryland Governor Larry Hogan has announced several new actions over the past few days, including:

- The primary election has moved from April 28, 2020 to June 2, 2020.
- All public gatherings of more than 10 people are now banned.
- Shopping malls and entertainment venues will be closed, effective at 5:00 PM today.
- Governor Hogan will sign an executive order intended to assist small businesses, allowing for delivery and carry-out sales of alcohol by restaurants, bars, distilleries and wineries, subject to local regulations.
- Access to BWI-Thurgood Marshall Airport terminal has been restricted to ticketed passengers and necessary personnel only.
- The Maryland Department of Motor Vehicles is extending drivers licenses and ID's that expire soon to reduce the lines at motor vehicle offices. All Motor Vehicle Administration locations will offer in-person services by appointment only.

A comprehensive list of actions taken by Governor Hogan, as well as additional resources and ways that all Marylanders can help during this public health emergency, can be found online at the new [Maryland Unites website](#).

As a reminder, we have the power to help slow the spread of COVID-19 and save lives by practicing social distancing. This includes staying home as much as possible, and if you need to go out, avoiding crowds of more than ten people and keeping six feet of distance between you and others whenever possible.

Your County government is focused on you and your families. We can all do our part during this public health emergency by practicing social distancing, checking on our seniors, and staying informed. Be sure to check our dedicated coronavirus website for the latest updates: health.mypgc.us/coronavirus. If you have any questions or concerns related to the coronavirus, please call our hotline at 301-883-6627 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM daily.

Prince Georgians are resilient, we support one another, and we will hold each other up as we do everything we can to contain the spread of this virus and work to prevent further loss of life.

Yours in service,

Angela Alsobrooks

Prince George's County Executive

Event Updates

Postponed: Senior Census Bingo Day



SENIOR CENSUS DAY

The 2020 Census is here!
Make sure you are counted!

Join us for bingo, learn the importance of the 2020 Census, and receive a \$100 gift card.

POSTPONED

Registration is **FREE** for all Prince George's County residents 60 and older. Sign up for yours at any senior activity center or community center.

To register, visit pgparksdirect.com and search for "Census". Space is limited so register today for a location near you. For more information, call 301-446-3400 or email, seniors@pgparks.com.



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Proud TO BE COUNTED

Find out more at PGCensus2020.org
PGCensus2020@mncppc.org

Our staff has access to an interpretation service and can help in over 150 languages. Please ask for assistance when you call or visit us.

The Department of Parks and Recreation encourages and supports the participation of individuals with disabilities. Register at least a minimum of two weeks in advance of the program start date to request and receive a disability accommodation.

TTY (Text Telephone) for customers who are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability 301-699-2544.

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2020
PRINCE GEORGES MARYLAND
Proud

Census Bingo!

FRIDAY,
MARCH 20,
10 AM - 2 PM

LOCATIONS

John E. Howard Senior Activity Center
4400 Shell Street, Capitol Heights 20743
301-735-2400

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE:
SPD-SPEC-GA-20200320A

Kentland Community Center
2413 Pinebrook Avenue, Landover 20785
301-386-2278

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE:
SPD-SPEC-GA-20200320B

Langley Park Senior Activity Center
1500 Merrimac Drive, Hyattsville 20783
301-408-4343

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE:
SPD-SPEC-GA-20200320C

Laurel Beltsville Senior Activity Center
PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE:
SPD-SPEC-GA-20200320D
7120 Contee Road, Laurel 20707
301-206-3350

Rollingcrest-Chillum Community Center
6120 Sargent Road, Chillum 20782
301-853-2005

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE:
SPD-SPEC-GA-20200320E

Suitland Community Center
5600 Regency Lane, Forestville 20747
301-736-3518

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE:
SPD-SPEC-GA-20200320F

Southern Regional Technology and Recreation Complex
7007 Bock Road, Fort Washington 20744
301-749-4160

PARKS DIRECT ACTIVITY CODE:
SPD-SPEC-GA-20200320G

Cancelled: Growing Green with Pride Day

GROWING GREEN

Prince George's MARYLAND county

WITH PRIDE

Dear Prince Georgians:

Spring is fast approaching! I am delighted to invite you to participate in our Spring 2020 community cleanup event "Growing Green with Pride Day" on Saturday, April 18, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

In order to keep our communities clean and aesthetically appealing, we must all work together and do our part. On our annual Growing Green with Pride Day we will remove weeds, mulch, and litter from roads and remove illegally dumped materials from our County roadways.

If your company or organization is looking to support our efforts by participating in the Spring 2020 Growing Green with Pride Day community cleanup event, I encourage you to complete the registration form. When completing the application, please provide the pertinent information requested, including the name and mailing address of your community organization's primary contact, the expected number of volunteers, and the area and street name(s) of where your community will be working. The registration deadline for sign-ups is Friday, April 17, 2020.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to ensure the Spring 2020 "Growing Green with Pride Day" is a huge success and Prince George's County remains the Crown Jewel of Maryland.

Sincerely,

 Angela Alsobrooks
 County Executive

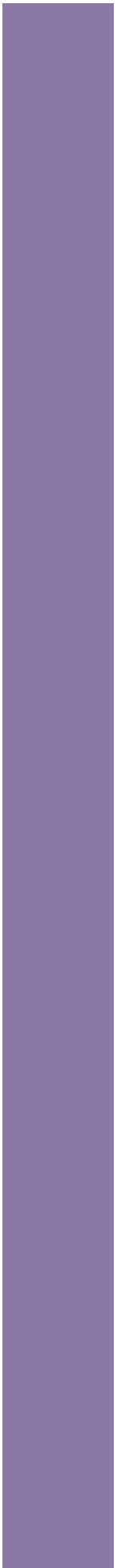
Groups conducting litter removal are encouraged to use the County's PGCLitterTRAK smart phone app to report the number of bags of litter collected during Growing Green with Pride in your community.

Please use the link below to request access to the app and attend one of the trainings listed below.

PGCLitterTRAK trainings: March 10, 17, 24, 31 | April 7, 14 6pm-7pm | 1801 McCormick Drive, Largo <https://bit.ly/2VP8pLt>

COVID-19 Resources

Social Distancing



SOCIAL DISTANCING

WHAT IS IT?

Avoiding large crowds and gatherings (more than 10 people).

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

It may help limit the spread of COVID-19.

NEED TO GO OUT?

Keep 6 feet of distance between you and others whenever possible.



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DISTANCIAMIENTO SOCIAL

¿QUÉ ES?

Evitar grandes multitudes y reuniones (más de 10 personas).

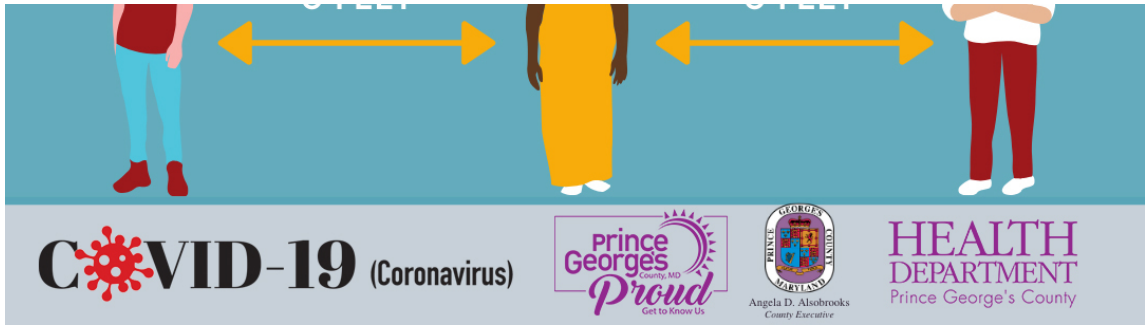
¿POR QUÉ IMPORTA?

Puede ayudar a limitar la propagación del COVID-19.

¿NECESITA SALIR DE SU CASA?

Mantenga 6 pies de distancia entre usted y otras personas siempre que sea posible.





Managing a Respiratory Illness at Home

MANAGING A RESPIRATORY ILLNESS AT HOME

If you have possible or confirmed COVID-19 or other respiratory illness:

Stay home from work, school, and away from other public places. If you must go out, avoid using any kind of public transportation, ridesharing, or taxis.



Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.



Monitor your symptoms carefully. If your symptoms get worse, call your health care provider immediately.



For medical emergencies, call 911 and notify the dispatch personnel of your symptoms.



Coronavirus hotline: 301-883-6627

COMO MANEJAR UNA ENFERMEDAD RESPIRATORIA EN CASA

Si tiene COVID-19 posible o confirmado u otra enfermedad respiratoria:

Quédese trabajando en casa, por la escuela, y lejos de otros lugares públicos. Si necesita salir, evite usar cualquier tipo de transporte público, viaje compartido o taxis.



Lávese las manos a menudo con agua y jabón por al menos 20 segundos o limpie las manos con un gel desinfectante a base de alcohol que contenga al menos 60% de alcohol.



Monitoree sus síntomas cuidadosamente. Si sus síntomas empeoran comuníquese con un proveedor de salud inmediatamente.



Para emergencias médicas comuníquese con el 911 y notifique al despachador sobre sus síntomas.



Línea directa de coronavirus: 301-883-6627

Stop COVID-19 Scams

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Now is the time to be mindful of scams that may occur through email, text, phone calls, mail or in-person. Here are tips to help you remain vigilant:



There are no door-to-door coronavirus tests being offered



Before donating to a charity, check with the Maryland Secretary of State's Office at 410-974-5521 to make sure a charity is registered



WATCH FOR FAKE PRODUCTS – there are no vaccines for coronavirus at this time



Utility companies or your bank will never call you for your personal information



The Social Security Administration will never call you asking for money



IF IT IS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, THEN IT LIKELY IS

GET HELP: Call (410) 576-6300 **LEARN MORE:** Visit www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/

DETENGA LAS ESTAFAS DE COVID-19




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Ahora es momento de estar enterado de las estafas y esquemas fraudulentos que pueden ocurrir a través de correo electrónico, mensajes de texto, llamadas telefónicas, cartas y



visitas en persona. Incluimos los siguientes consejos para que usted se mantenga alerta:



No existen pruebas de coronavirus que se estén llevando a cabo puerta-a-puerta



Antes de hacer un donativo a una organización benéfica, verifique con la Oficina del Secretario de Estado de Maryland al (410) 974-5521 para asegurarse de que la misma esté registrada




TENGA CUIDADO CON LOS PRODUCTOS FALSOS
– en estos momentos no existe vacuna contra el Coronavirus



Ninguna compañía de servicios, ni su banco, le llamará pidiéndole su información personal



La Administración de Seguro Social nunca le llamará reclamándole dinero



SI ALGO LE SUENA DEMASIADO BUENO PARA SER CIERTO, ENTONCES PROBABLEMENTE LO SEA

CONSIGUE AYUDA: Llamar 410-230-1712 **APRENDE MÁS:** Visite www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/

Statewide Closures

COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

MANDATORY Closures in Maryland



Shopping Malls and Entertainment Venues



Bars & Restaurants

Restaurants can still offer take-out, delivery, and drive-thru options.



Fitness Centers



Theaters



Maryland Courts

State of Maryland and Prince George's County buildings are closed to the public.



Spas



Government Buildings

State of Maryland and Prince George's County buildings are closed to the public.

Prohibited in Maryland

Gatherings
No more than **10 PEOPLE** at gatherings, including religious, spiritual, recreational, and sports gatherings **IN ANY LOCATION.**



Evictions



Shutting Off Utilities to Residential Customers

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Guidance on Face Masks

SHOULD I WEAR A FACE MASK?



IF YOU ARE SICK:

You should stay home. Wear a face mask if you need to go out anywhere necessary, such as your doctor's office.

IF YOU ARE NOT SICK:

You **DO NOT** need to wear a face mask unless you are caring for someone who is sick and they are not able to wear a face mask.

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¿DEBERÍA PONERME UNA MASCARILLA?



SI USTED ESTÁ ENFERMO:

Debe quedarse en casa. Póngase mascarilla si tuviese que ir a algún sitio necesario, como la oficina de su médico.

SI USTED NO ESTÁ ENFERMO:

Usted **NO NECESITA** ponerse mascarilla a menos que esté cuidando a alguien que esté enfermo y la persona no tenga la capacidad de llevar mascarilla.

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Guidance on Self-Quarantine

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO QUARANTINE?

WHAT IS SELF-QUARANTINE?

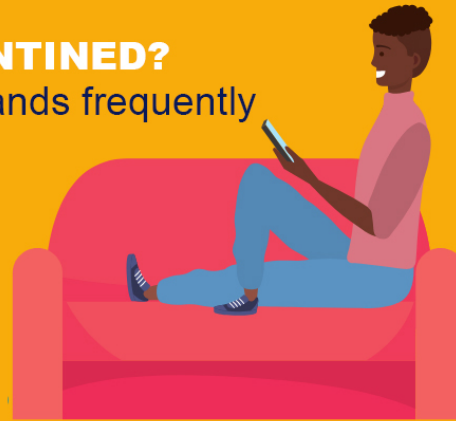
When people who have been exposed to COVID-19 or are at risk stay home.

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

It keeps people from unknowingly spreading COVID-19 to others.

WHAT DO I DO IF I AM QUARANTINED?

- Use standard hygiene and wash hands frequently
- Do not share things like towels and utensils
- Stay at home
- Do not have visitors
- Stay at least 6 feet away from other people in your household



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¿QUÉ SIGNIFICA PONERME EN CUARENTENA?

¿QUÉ ES LA AUTO-CUARENTENA?

Es cuando las personas que han estado expuestas a COVID-19, o están en riesgo de exponerse, se quedan en casa.

¿POR QUÉ ES IMPORTANTE?

Previene que las personas propaguen el COVID-19 a otros sin saberlo.

¿QUÉ HAGO SI ESTOY EN CUARENTENA?

- Practique higiene regular y lávese las manos frecuentemente
- No comparta cosas como utensilios de comida y toallas
- Quédese en casa
- No reciba visitas



- NO RECIBA VISITAS
- Manténgase al menos 6 pies de distancia de las personas en su casa

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