



St. Johns County

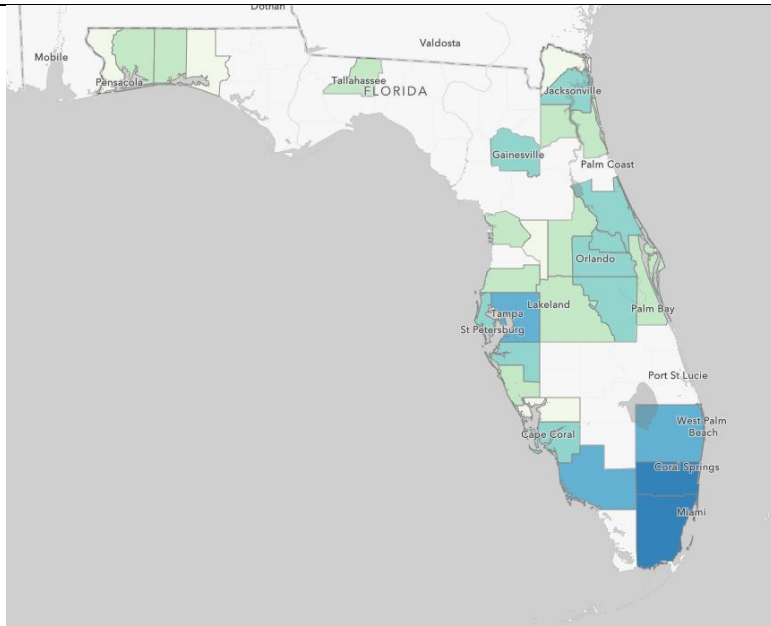
COVID-19

Situation Report – 8

Date: March 19, 2020 | 1600 hrs

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St. Johns County Emergency Operations Center	State of Florida Region 3 FEMA Region 4	Incident Name: COVID-19
General Information		
Local State of Emergency	Number: 20-01	Dated: 3/17/20
National Emergency COVID-19	Number: HQ-20-017	Dated: 3/13/20
Governors Executive Order	Number: 20-51	Dated: 3/1/20
Governors Executive Order	Number: 20-52	Dated: 3/9/20
Governors Executive Order	Number: 20-68	Dated: 3/17/20
Florida Division of Emergency Management Emergency Order	Number: 20-001	Dated: 3/10/20
Florida Division of Emergency Management Emergency Order	Number: 20-002	Dated: 3/11/20
Florida Division of Emergency Management Emergency Order	Number: 20-003	Dated: 3/12/20
Florida Division of Emergency Management Emergency Order	Number: 20-004	Dated: 3/13/20
Florida Division of Emergency Management Emergency Order	Number: 20-005	Dated: 3/13/20
Florida Division of Emergency Management Emergency Order	Number: 20-006	Dated: 3/15/20
Declaration of Public Health Emergency	State Surgeon General	Dated: 3/1/20
Emergency Operations Center Activation Level:		
Level 2 – Partial Activation Hours of Operation 8:00 am – 6:00 pm 7 days a week		
EOC Manager:	Director Linda Stoughton	904-824-5550
Current Event Status		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) that was first detected in China and has now been detected internationally, including in the United States. • Positive Cases of COVID-19 in the State of Florida as of March 19, 2020 at 11:00 am (most recent official report from FDOH): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 360 - Florida Residents ○ 30 - Non-Florida resident ○ 8 - Deaths 		



Florida Counties with positive Cases of COVID-19

- St. Johns County:**
 St. Johns Residents: 3
 St. Johns Residents Treated Elsewhere: 0
 Non-St. Johns Residents: 1

Demographics:

Men: 2
 Women: 2
 Age Range: 49-64

Current and Anticipated Actions/Protective Measures

- St. Johns County EOC is activated to a Level II – Partial Activation. The St. Johns County EOC Citizens Information Line is open to assist with residents with questions and concerns at 904-824-5550. Hours of Operations will be 8:00 am – 6:00 pm, 7 days a week.
- St. Johns County has implemented elevated cleaning services. In addition, employee work and travel policies have been implemented to safeguard a healthy workplace. St. Johns County is closely monitoring the rapidly evolving COVID-19 situation and remains in communication with local healthcare providers and public safety partner agencies.
- Real time updates from FDOH on the number of cases available at <http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/COVID-19/index.html>
- Florida Department of Health has established a hotline for the public 1-866-779-6121. This hotline is open 24 hours a day.**

Government / Schools / Hospital Status

St. Johns County Government	Status:	Operational
City of St. Augustine	Status:	Operational
City of St. Augustine Beach	Status:	Operational
St. Johns County School District	Status:	St. Johns County School District (SJCS D) students will not return to school campuses until

		Wednesday, April 15 th . SJCS D employees will report to work on Monday, March 23 and students will begin online learning on Monday, March 30 th . Please see Community Information regarding Meal Service.
Florida School for Deaf and Blind	Status:	Florida School for Deaf and Blind students will not return to school campuses until Wednesday, April 15 th .
Flagler College	Status:	All classes will be online for the remainder of the spring semester.
St. Johns River State College	Status:	All SJR State classes (online and on-campus) will be cancelled through March 29. Classes will resume on March 30 in an online format through the end of the semester. All campuses will remain closed to students and employees until further notice. Employees should wait for instructions from their supervisors regarding working remotely and when/if to report to campus. All public and College-sponsored events have been canceled for the remainder of the spring semester.
Flagler Hospital	Status:	Operational - Visitor hours have been reduced to 7 am - 11 am and 4 pm to 8 pm, Only one visitor is allowed per patient, Visitors must be over the age of 18.

Community Cancellations and Closures

- The City of St. Augustine is continuing its efforts to curb the threat of the spread of Coronavirus by cancelling all non-essential meetings that do not address the immediate operations and function of municipal business. This includes but is not limited to the Planning & Zoning Workshop regarding parking requirements, the Street Tree Advisory Committee, and Lincolnville Community Redevelopment Area Steering Committee.
- St Johns Golf Club is postponing all Sunday Junior Golf Clinics until further notice.
- The Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida (St. Johns, Flagler, Putnam and Volusia counties) has suspended normal court operations effective March 18, 2020 at 5:00 pm, except for those proceedings deemed mission critical, as set forth in Administrative Order Z-2020-030, which can be found at: <http://www.circuit7.org/Communications/Chief%20Judge%20Coronavirus%20Message%202.pdf>. The members of the judicial branch of government have been working tirelessly through the current Covid-19 emergency to balance public safety with access to the courts. Questions regarding particular matters may be directed to the assigned judges' office or the Clerk of Court.
- St. Augustine Visitor Information Center is closed.
- Florida State Parks - remain open for day use, however, effective immediately, all Florida State Parks are changing day-use visitation hours to 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All events, activities, special event reservations, pavilion rentals and camping reservations at Florida State Parks are canceled for the next 60 days.
- In addition to Executive Order 20-68, the City of St. Augustine has by Administrative Order has instituted the additional following restrictions:
 - Alcohol consumption on premises is prohibited at all licensed and commercial establishments for the next 30 days.
 - Tour trains and trolley operations will suspend all ride services for the next 15 days.
- Governor Ron DeSantis by Executive Order 20-68:
 - Has ordered any licensee authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises that derive more than 50% of its gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic

beverages shall suspend all sale of alcoholic beverages for thirty days from the date of this order, effective at 5 p.m.

- Direct individuals accessing public beaches in the State of Florida to follow the CDC guidance by limiting their gatherings to no more than 10 persons, distance themselves from other parties by 6 feet.
- Restaurants shall immediately limit its occupancy to 50% of its current building occupancy. Restaurants shall follow the CDC guidance by ensuring, at minimum, a 6-foot distance between any groups of patrons and limiting parties to no more than 10 individuals.
- St. Johns County Clerk of the Court
 - Effective immediately, the St. Johns County Clerk's Office is suspending its passport application services to reduce courthouse traffic amid concerns about the Coronavirus outbreak. To pay fines, file court documents and perform other services online, visit www.stjohnsclerk.com.
- First Coast YMCA branches will be closed until further notice. This includes most programs and services including KidZone and Spring Break camps at Camp Immokalee. Spring Break child care will continue to be offered in a very limited capacity.
- National Park Service temporarily suspended visitor service operations at Castillo de San Marcos and Fort Matanzas National Monuments. Park visitor facilities, programming, and visitor services are closed.
- Jury Duty - Due to the impact of the Coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19), the Florida Supreme Court has suspended all grand jury proceedings, jury selection proceedings and criminal and civil jury trials through Friday, March 27, 2020. Those who have been summoned for jury duty through March 30 are hereby excused and do not need to report. The courthouse remains open for all other services, many of which may be performed online at <https://stjohnsclerk.com>.
- St. Johns County School District has suspended all extracurricular activities, including high school athletics, until further notice.
- Florida School for Deaf and Blind has suspended all extracurricular activities, including high school athletics, until further notice.
- St. Johns County Closures/Cancellations through March 29:
 - Libraries and the library bookmobile
 - All recreational facilities, recreational programming, recreational events, and all permitted events, including organized youth and adult sports, on St. Johns County property
 - St. Johns County Ocean and Fishing Pier Gift Shop and all permitted events on associated County property, including the parking lot, volleyball courts, and the pier pavilion
 - All events scheduled to occur at the St. Johns County Fairgrounds
 - All events scheduled to occur at the St. Johns County Agriculture Center
 - All events scheduled to occur at the St. Johns Golf Club
 - St. Johns County Pet Center
 - All St. Johns County community collection events
 - All St. Johns County Fire Rescue community programming
- St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum will be closed through March 29. They will reassess the situation before opening on March 30th.
- Historic Tours of Flagler College have been canceled until further notice.
- All public events scheduled through April 1st at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre and Ponte Vedra Concert Hall will be cancelled or postponed.
- Council on Aging (COA) Senior Centers, will be closed through April 7, 2020. Meals on Wheels service will continue.
- City of St. Augustine, out of an abundance of caution has cancelled the following events:
 - Lions Seafood Festival
 - Rotary's Rhythm and Ribs Festival

- Additionally, the free park & ride spring shuttle services currently scheduled through April 1, 2020, have been cancelled.

Community Information

- The Youth Services Team of the St. Johns County Public Library System will be providing Storytime, via Facebook Live, at 11am, Monday through Friday. If you can't watch it at that time, they are archived on the Library's Facebook Page.
- Governor Ron DeSantis activated the Florida Small Business Emergency Bridge Loan Program on Monday, March 16 to support small businesses impacted by COVID-19. The bridge loan program, managed by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), will provide short-term, interest-free loans to small businesses that experience economic injury from COVID-19. The application period runs through May 8. For more information, visit www.floridadisasterloan.org or contact the Florida Small Business Development Center Network by phone at 866-737-7232, or email at disaster@FloridaSBDC.org.
- DEO is currently surveying businesses throughout the state that have been impacted by COVID-19. Businesses and non-profits can access the Business Damage Assessment survey at FloridaDisaster.biz. Select "COVID-19" from the drop-down menu on the survey page.
- St. Johns County School District Meal Service:
 - Please see the following link for more information and locations where meals can be picked up: <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/blog/meal-service/>
- St. Johns County's garbage, recycling, and yard debris collection schedule will not change due to any COVID-19 related closures. All collections will continue as scheduled on standard collection days. The Tillman Ridge and Stratton Road solid waste scale houses will remain open during standard business hours. For more information, please call 904-827-6980.
- The St. Johns Golf Club, St. Johns County's beaches, parks, open green spaces, and trails remain open. In addition, Veterans Services, the Permit Center, Health and Human Services, Utilities Services, and all other County business services remain open to the public and operational.

Resources for Official Information

Centers for Disease Control: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
 Florida Department of Health: <http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/COVID-19/index.html>
 Florida Department of Health COVID-19 Email Address: COVID-19@flhealth.gov
 Florida Department of Health COVID-19 Hotline: 1-866-779-6121 (open 24 hours a day)
 State of Florida Division of Emergency Management: <http://www.floridadisaster.org/index.asp>
 St. Johns County Government: www.sjcfl.us/index.aspx
 St. Johns County Emergency Management: www.sjcemergencymanagement.com

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Safety Message

- Washing your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom, before eating, and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoiding close contact with people who are sick.
- Staying home when you are sick.
- Check the CDC’s Traveler’s Health Notices for the latest guidance and recommendations for each country to which you will travel.

To prevent the spread of disease, follow guidance from official sources at the Centers for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov) and the Florida Department of Health (www.floridahealth.gov).



Receive alerts about emergencies by signing up for the St. Johns County Emergency Notification System, Alert St. Johns. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, water advisories, missing persons, evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods and incidents that may threaten public safety.

<https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725582#/login>

The next Situation Report will be issued Friday at 4:00 pm unless conditions dictate an earlier report.

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