



St. Johns County  
**COVID-19**  
**Situation Report – 2**

Date: March 12, 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
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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Local State of Emergency	Number: NONE	Dated:	
Governors Executive Order	Number: 20-51	Dated:	3/1/20
Governors Executive Order	Number: 20-52	Dated:	3/9/20
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
Declaration of Public Health Emergency	State Surgeon General	Dated:	3/1/20

Emergency Operations Center Activation Level:	Level 3 – Enhanced Monitoring		
EOC Manager:	Director Linda Stoughton	904-824-5550	office

**Current Event Status**

- 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 12, 2020 at 2:49 pm (most recent official report from FDOH):
  - 27 - Florida Residents
  - 5 - Florida Cases Repatriated\*
  - 3 - Non-Florida resident
  - 2 - Deaths

Counties	Cases	Fatalities
<b>Broward</b>	7	
<b>Charlotte</b>	1	
<b>Collier</b>	3	
<b>Hillsborough</b>	1	
<b>Lee</b>	3	1
<b>Manatee</b>	2	
<b>Miami-Dade</b>	1	
<b>Nassau</b>	1	
<b>Okaloosa</b>	1	
<b>Pasco</b>	1	
<b>Pinellas</b>	2	
<b>Santa Rosa</b>	1	1
<b>Volusia</b>	2	

\*Please note that St. Johns is not identified due to the case being a non-Florida resident.

- Number of Negative Test Results: 301
- Number of Pending Testing Results: 147
- Number of People Under Public Health Monitoring\*\*:
  - 476 – Currently being monitored
  - 1230 – People monitored to date
- \*Florida Cases Repatriated: The United States Department of State officially coordinated the return of a person living in Florida to the United States and those persons are isolated at a federally designated site until healthy. A repatriated case is when the United States Department of State officially coordinates the return of a Florida resident to the United States.
- \*\*People Under Public Health Monitoring: The number of people under public health monitoring includes those at risk of having been exposed to COVID-19 who are monitoring their health under the supervision of public health officials.
- **St. Johns County - 63-year old male New York resident who is currently in St. Johns County has tested positive. He is isolated and will continue to remain isolated until cleared by public health officials. This is a travel-related case.**

### Current and Anticipated Actions/Protective Measures

- We are coordinating with our community partners in an effort to keep our community prepared and safe.
- Participating in statewide conference calls:
  - Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) - Monday and Thursday
- Public messaging on St. Johns County Government social media accounts began this week.
- The Governor’s Office issued Executive Order 20-51 directing the State Health Officer and Surgeon General to declare a public health emergency in the State of Florida.  
[https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO\\_20-51.pdf](https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-51.pdf)
- The State Surgeon General issued a Declaration of Public Health Emergency on March 1, 2020.
- The Governor’s Office issued Executive Order 20-52 declaring an emergency for COVID-19  
<https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/EO-20-52.pdf>
- Real time updates from FDOH on the number of cases available at  
<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-andconditions/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:	Operational
Florida School for Deaf and Blind	Status:	Operational
Flagler College	Status:	Classes cancelled for Friday, March 13, and move all classes online for two weeks beginning March 23, after the College’s regularly scheduled spring break
St. Johns River State College	Status:	Operational
Flagler Hospital	Status:	Operational

## Community Cancellations and Closures

- The Players Championship will continue play, but will not allow spectators beginning tomorrow, Friday, March 13, 2020.
- City of St. Augustine, out of an abundance of caution has cancelled the following events:
  - St. Augustine Celtic Music & Heritage Festival and Parade
  - 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.
- St. Johns County School District: out-of-state field studies, interscholastic activities, sporting events and school district work-related travel have been cancelled.

## Community Information

Early voting continues daily through March 14th. Hours are 9 AM – 6 PM daily at all 6 of early voting locations: <https://www.votesjc.com/Election-Information/Early-Voting>

Election day is Tuesday, March 17th All polling places will be open from 7 AM – 7 PM for voting.

Hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes are provided at all voting locations for workers and voters. For more information on voting visit [www.votesjc.com](http://www.votesjc.com) or call the Elections Office at 904-823-2238.

## 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](mailto: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](http://www.sjcfl.us/index.aspx)

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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](http://www.cdc.gov)) and the Florida Department of Health ([www.floridahealth.gov](http://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 Monday at 1:00 pm unless conditions dictate an earlier report.**

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