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COVID-19 PANDEMIC

SITUATION REPORT

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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Alabama

Updated: April 8, 2020 4:00 P.M. (CT)

County of Residence	Cases/Deaths		County of Residence	Cases/Deaths
Autauga	12/1		Houston	26/1
Baldwin	47/1		Jackson	27/1
Barbour	3		Jefferson	490/13
Bibb	9		Lamar	6
Blount	10		Lauderdale	19/2
Bullock	3		Lawrence	8
Butler	2		Lee	178/5
Calhoun	52		Limestone	33
Chambers	126/8		Lowndes	10
Cherokee	7		Macon	6/1
Chilton	20		Madison	159/2
Choctaw	6		Marengo	14
Clarke	10		Marion	23/3
Clay	11		Marshall	43/1
Cleburne	12		Mobile	249/8
Coffee	9		Monroe	5/1
Colbert	7/1		Montgomery	78/2
Conecuh	4		Morgan	32
Coosa	9		Perry	1
Covington	10		Pickens	15
Crenshaw	2		Pike	16
Cullman	22/1		Randolph	15/2
Dale	4		Russell	14
Dallas	7		Shelby	163/5
DeKalb	14		St. Clair	34
Elmore	22		Sumpter	16
Escambia	5		Talladega	23
Etowah	45/4		Tallapoosa	40/1
Fayette	1		Tuscaloosa	83
Franklin	7		Walker	65
Geneva	1			
Greene	10		Washington	7/1
Hale	7		Wilcox	13
Henry	5		Winston	3
Reported Deaths: 66			Current Total	2427

Frequently Asked Questions about Statewide Stay at Home Order and City Curfew?

1. When does the Stay at Home Orders go into effect?

5:00 P.M. on April 4th, 2020 and shall be in effect until 5:00 P.M. on April 30th, 2020. On or before April 30th, a determination shall be made whether to extend this order or, if circumstances permit, to relax the Order.

2. What exactly is a Stay at Home Order?

An Order from the Governor and the State Health Officer for all persons to stay at his or her place of residence except as necessary to perform any “Essential Activities”

3. What is considered “Essential Activities”?

You should read the full Order for definitions and details, but essential activities are listed as:

- *To obtain needed supplies*
- *To obtain or provide necessary services*
- *To attend religious services under specific circumstances*
- *To take care of others including family, friends and pets*
- *To work at “Essential businesses and operations”*
- *To engage in outdoor activity if you can maintain 6ft distancing*
- *To seek Shelter*
- *To travel as required by Law*
- *To visit the residence of others related to him or her.*

4. Will grocery stores and Gas stations be closed?

Gas stations and Grocery stores are considered essential and will remain open.

5. My job has not been shut down, and my employer has not issued papers for travel. Will I be pulled over and fined?

Operators of “Essential Businesses and Operations” are not required to provide credentials to verify their status as an employee of an essential service or business. Police officers will not be pulling persons over to verify their travel status.

6. What is considered to be an “Essential Business and Operation”?

You should read the full Order for definitions and details, but essential businesses and operations are listed as:

- *Government Operations*
- *Health-care providers and caregivers*
- *Infrastructure Operations*
- *Manufacturing facilities*
- *Agricultural operations and farms*
- *Essential Retailers*
 - *Supermarkets*
 - *Pharmacies*
 - *Convenience stores*

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- *Hardware stores*
- *Gas stations*
- *Restaurants with restrictions on indoor dining*
- *Essential Personal Services*
 - *Trash Collection*
 - *Mail and Shipping services*
 - *Home and Auto repair*
 - *Laundry services*
 - *Funeral Homes & Cemeteries*
- *Educational Operations*
- *Financial Services (Banks and Credit Unions)*
- *Professional Services (Accounting, Insurance, Real Estate and Legal Services)*
- *Providers of basic necessities to economically disadvantaged populations*
- *Construction and construction-related services*
- *Essential Public Services and Military Operations*
- *Religious Entities*

7. Can my family leave Springville to go to personal property in another county and then travel back to Springville after a few days?

Travel to take care of your personal property or to check on family members that may need assistance is allowed.

8. What are considered Outdoor Activities?

Activities that can be done by one's self or in small groups maintaining the 6ft distance. These may include walking, jogging or running, fishing,

9. Does the new Stay at Home Order prevent families from using city sidewalks and walking tracks to ride their bike and walk?

Outdoor activities to promote the health and fitness of persons are considered an essential activity and is allowed during the Order. You must be able to maintain the 6ft social distancing and cannot congregate in groups of more than 10 persons.

Current City Actions:

On Thursday April 2nd, the Mayor signed an Executive Order establishing a city-wide curfew effective until midnight on April 15th. The following day, April 3rd Governor Kay Ivey and State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris amended the existing Statewide Health Order to include a Stay at Home order which will supersede the City's Curfew. Attached you will find the full document or it can be found online at:

<https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/legal/assets/soe-covid19-040320.pdf>

The new Statewide Stay at Home order went into effect at 5:00 P.M. on April 4th, 2020 and will remain in effect until 5:00 P.M. on April 30th, 2020. Below are a few answers to common questions relating to the new State Health Orders.

Information for Springville Citizens:

All City Offices will be closed on Friday April 10th in recognition of Easter Holiday. Police and Fire Department will continue to provide Emergency Services as usual.

The City Council of the City of Springville had a meeting on Monday April 6th at 6:00pm via Microsoft Teams videoconferencing. Minutes of this meeting will be posted on our City Website following the meeting. If you would like to be added to the City Notification email list to receive the link to view this meeting, please send an email to cityclerk@cityofspringville.com. You will be added to the list and will receive a link to view meeting notices and if we are required to hold another meeting via videoconferencing, you will be sent a link to attend the meeting. You will not be required to download the software, but must have proper internet access to view.

OTHER CITY ACTIONS TAKEN IN RESPONSE OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC:

- All City offices with the exception of Public Safety have been closed till April 15th except by appointment only. If you need assistance from City Hall, please call (205) 467-6133. If you have an issue and need public works, you can call (205) 467-2704. Phone lines are either forwarded, or messages being checked regularly. If you have an emergency, please call 911.
- Senior Center has been closed to all traffic. We are working with M4A to continue providing meals to our homebound seniors next week.
- If there is a Senior or homebound person that needs assistance with picking up needed items, contact CERT Coordinator Janet McCown 205-253-0298 or Fire Department at 205-467-2703
- Library has been closed until further notice including the drop-box. If you have materials to be returned, hold on to them. All fines have been waived. See information below about items available via virtual library.
- Public Works office has been closed to all public traffic. Payments will be received via drop box and online. Persons needing assistance can call (205) 467-2704 for additional information.
- Building Inspections can be obtained by calling (205) 577-0859 to schedule an inspection.
- Nets have been removed from the City Volleyball Courts to comply with new Statewide Health Order.

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- Basketball Court at Woodie Park has been closed.
- All City related employee travel out of the county remains suspended, unless the travel is related to preparation/response to the COVID-19 pandemic or essential travel for city related business that is approved by the Department Head.
- Municipal Court has cancelled all proceedings for March and April per orders from the Alabama Supreme Court. The Original order has been extended till April 30th.
- Big Springs park walking track will remain open for public use. The playground area and volleyball court has been closed. All Pavilion Rentals for next 30 days have been cancelled. Bathrooms at Big Springs Park and both Youth parks have been locked due to inability to keep toilet paper available.
- Springville Splash Pad Opening has been pushed back to no earlier than June 6th.
- All City sponsored youth sports have been cancelled until at least May 1st. We will re-evaluate after 30 days.
- City Department Heads and administration meeting via videoconferencing Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 9:00am to discuss protective actions.
- Per the Alabama Department of Public Health Order, all restaurants, bars, breweries or similar establishments shall not permit on-premises consumption of food or drink until April 30th, 2020.
- Odenville Water and Springville Public Works have suspended any water service disconnects until further notice.
- Waste Management has suspended availability of customer service representatives to those that call. Any issues with garbage service are encouraged to contact public works.

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The Springville Public Library is currently closed. Please continue to enjoy the materials that you currently have at your home. Late fees will not be assessed.

The library will provide uninterrupted patron access to these valuable resources: **Camellia Net Digital Library** - Download the Libby App to your device or browse online at camellia.overdrive.com Sign in with your library card number, using the last four digits as your PIN.

- **Alabama Virtual Library** - Explore a wide variety of resources for all school-aged children, college students, and adults at avl.lib.al.us.
- **Homework Alabama** - Get help with tutoring, homework, ACT prep, writing papers, and more at homeworkalabama.org.
- For questions about your library account or services, please contact the library via Facebook message or email springvillepubliclibraryal@gmail.com.

Information for Local Business Owners

PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP) INFORMATION SHEET

<https://governor.alabama.gov/assets/2020/04/PPP-Borrower-Information-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

The U.S. Small Business Administration is offering low-interest federal disaster loans for working capital to **Alabama** small businesses suffering substantial economic injury as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza announced today. SBA acted under its own authority, as provided by the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act that was recently signed by the President, to declare a disaster following a request received from Gov. Kay Ivey on March 17, 2020.

Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance. Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call (800) 877-8339. Completed applications should be mailed to U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

The deadline to apply for an Economic Injury Disaster Loan is **Dec. 21 , 2020**.

<https://aboc.alabama.gov/coronavirus-update-march-19/>