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Cecil County Closures and Updates Due to Novel Coronavirus
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ELKTON, MD. – As of this morning, there are 12 confirmed cases of the Novel Coronavirus in Cecil County as reported by the Cecil County Health Department.

County Executive McCarthy will hold a press conference on Wednesday, April 1st at 3:00 p.m. via Facebook Live to present the FY2021 Budget. In order to continue to practice appropriate social distancing measures, a physical audience will not be permitted to attend. The media will be invited to call-in and should contact Jennifer Lyall at jlyall@ccgov.org for call-in information. A transcript, as well as a PDF version of the Proposed Budget in Brief, will be posted to the County's website at the completion of the press conference.

The following updates were provided by local public information officers throughout Cecil County this morning:

Cecil County Office of Economic Development

The Cecil County Office of Economic Development will be hosting a **Virtual Town Hall** for Cecil County small businesses at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31st. This call will reviews various financial assistance and informational resources that a small business may need during the COVID-19 pandemic. Please register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cecil-county-covid-19-small-business-virtual-town-hall-tickets-101312231612>.

Cecil County Public Schools

View the Continuity of Learning Plan for Cecil County Public School online:

<https://www.ccps.org/cms/lib/MD01906418/Centricity/ModuleInstance/90/CCPS%20Continuity%20of%20Learning%20Plan%20FINAL.pdf>

Cecil County Solid Waste: Household Hazardous Waste Day, scheduled for April 19th, has been canceled.

Cecil County Parks & Recreation

CCPR understands that, as the weather improves, there will be demand and excitement to utilize county parks. It is our intent to leave these fresh air resources open and available to the public. However, in order to leave the parks and boat ramps open for use, the public must comply with park rules and the social distancing mandates implemented by the county and state.

1. There are to be no groups larger than 10 in any one area.
2. Individuals should remain 6 feet apart.
3. Place all refuse in designated containers.

4. Playgrounds remain closed to use.
5. Pets must remain leashed at all times.

Let us all work together to ensure our parks remain a safe, healthy, and active refuge we can continue to enjoy during these challenging times.

Plumpton Park Zoo

Per Governor Hogan's Executive Order, Plumpton Park Zoo has been forced to close its doors to the public. Keeping the animals properly fed will soon become an issue. The zoo staff posted the following message on their social media pages:

"People have been asking how they can help. Here is a great way to help feed our animals. Oxford Feed and Lumber and Gifford's Feed Store have graciously set up an account for the Zoo. You can call and donate any amount. They will credit our account and when we need it, it will be paid for. Please consider this -- at this time, every little bit helps. Contact Larry at Oxford Feed & Lumber: 610-932-8521."



Donations are also accepted through the zoo's website: <https://plumptonparkzoo.org/>.

Other important links for Cecil County agencies relating to COVID-19:

- **Cecil College:** <https://www.cecil.edu/coronavirus> – Look for new road signage throughout the campus!
- **Cecil County Animal Services:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/animal-services> - Donations always accepted!
- **Cecil County Council:** Council work sessions are suspended until May 12th. The first Council budget hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 7th at 4:30 p.m.; and next Legislative Session will follow at 7:00 p.m.
- **Cecil County Circuit Court:** <http://registers.maryland.gov/main/cecil.html>
- **Cecil County Election Office:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/election-board> - 2020 Primary Election: ALL mail-in ballot!
- **Cecil County Department of Emergency Services:** <https://www.ccdes.org/>. **In the event of a true emergency, please dial 911.**
- **Cecil County Government:** <https://www.ccgov.org/services/coronavirus>
- **Cecil County Finance:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/finance>

- **Cecil County Health Department:** <http://cecilcountyhealth.org/> or **Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Call Line: 410-996-1005**
- **Cecil County Help Center:** <https://www.cecilhelp4u.com/Help-Center.html>
- **Cecil County Housing Office:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/community-services/housing>
- **Cecil County Land Use & Development Services (incl. Permitting Office):** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/land-use-development-services>
- **Cecil County Office of Economic Development:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/economic-development>
- **Cecil County Parks & Recreation:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/parks-and-recreation>
- **Cecil County Public Library:** <https://www.cecil.ebranch.info/> - *Launching a temporary, online library card platform for new users!*
- **Cecil County Public Schools:** <https://www.ccps.org/>
- **Cecil County Sheriff's Office:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/sheriff-s-office>. **In the event of a true emergency, please dial 911.**
- **Cecil Transit:** www.ceciltransit.com
- **Christiana Care, Union Hospital:** <https://www.uhcc.com/about-us/in-the-news/coronavirus-update/>
- **Office of the State's Attorney for Cecil County:** <https://www.ccgov.org/government/state-s-attorney-s-office>
- **Register of Wills, Cecil County:** <http://registers.maryland.gov/main/cecil.html>
- **Aberdeen Proving Ground:** <https://www.facebook.com/APGMd>
- **Department of Social Services**
 - o Child Support Services: 800-332-6347
 - o FIA: 410-996-0100, option 1
 - o CPS/APS intake line: 410-996-0100, option 3 (this includes food referrals)
 - o OHEP: 410-996-0270

Please visit your local municipality websites and/or social media pages for information specific to your town:

- [Cecilton](#)
- [Chesapeake City](#)
- [Charlestown](#)
- [Elkton](#)
- [North East](#)
- [Perryville](#)
- [Port Deposit](#)
- [Rising Sun](#)

To stay current on developments regarding the Novel Coronavirus on the following federal and state websites:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- Maryland Department of Health: <https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/>
- The Office of Governor Hogan: <https://governor.maryland.gov/coronavirus/>
- Johns Hopkins University & Medicine Coronavirus Resource Center: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

Cecil County remains under a state of emergency as issued by County Executive Alan McCarthy on Monday, March 23rd. The Cecil County Administration Building remains closed to the public, except **by appointment only**. The main number to the administration building is 410-996-5200.

Please continue to practice good hygiene by washing and sanitizing hands frequently, avoid contact with sick people, cough or sneeze into your elbow, practice social distancing at all times and self-isolate if needed.

Be well and take care of yourselves, Cecil County. We are in this together.

Please contact Jennifer Lyall at pio@ccgov.org with questions.

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