



Dear Neighbor,

With the Coronavirus at the top of our minds each day, I thought it would be useful to provide everyone with a guide to the different resources that are available for the people of Kansas City/Jackson County. Be safe and God bless.

Coronavirus Facts and Resources

Kansas City

If you would like to receive updates about what the City is doing in response to the coronavirus, **text COVIDKC to 888777**.

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services is operating a [hotline](#) for residents and health care providers to call for information and guidance about COVID-19.

The statewide hotline number is **877-435-8411**. The hotline is being operated by medical professionals and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

During this urgent and unprecedented public health crisis, the United Way of Greater Kansas City wants to remind you of the referral services available through 211, a one-stop resource for community relief – food, financial help, utility assistance, tax services and more. Through 211, callers are connected to more than 8,000 programs run by nonprofit organizations and government agencies throughout the 23-county United Way 211 service area. For assistance, visit 211kc.org or dial 211.

Kansas City's website has a [page](#) dedicated to the coronavirus. It has the latest updates on the state of emergency proclamations, orders and [Changes in City Operations and Online Resources](#). The page includes resources such as a [Guide for Businesses and Organizations](#) and links to the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) and the [KCMO Health Department](#).

Kansas City, Missouri Health Department (KCHD)

- Call (816) 513-6008 for general help and information:
- Email at: health@kcmo.org.
- Visit in person, Monday - Friday, 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Kansas City, Mo. Health Department: 2400 Troost Ave. Kansas City, MO 64108

Jackson County Health Department

- <https://www.jacohd.org/> or call (877) 435-8411

[KMBC](#) has a good website that has a list of local resources and home preparedness fact sheets.

Grocery Stores and Local Businesses Hrs for Seniors

Hy-Vee: Between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m., an hour which is now set aside for those 60 and older, pregnant women and those who consider themselves at high-risk for COVID-19.

Dollar General: First hour of business each day will be dedicated to Senior Customers

Hen House Markets: The first hour Hen House Markets are open are reserved for shopping by seniors and guests with disabilities. Normal store opening hours are still in place, but all stores around the Kansas City metro will close at 8 p.m

Target: They are reserving the first hour of shopping every Wednesday to allow elderly shoppers and those with underlying health concerns easier access to groceries and other household items in its stores

Whole Foods Market: Stores in the Kansas City and nationwide will service customers who are 60 and older one hour before opening to the general public, under the new adjusted hours posted on the store's web page. For example, if a store's new hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., customers who are 60+ can shop starting at 8 a.m.

Cosentino's Price Chopper: 7-8 a.m.

Meals on Wheels: Located in: [North Kansas City Hospital](#)

Address: 2800 Clay Edwards Dr, Kansas City, MO 64116

Phone: [\(816\) 691-5322](tel:(816)691-5322)

Kansas City Public Schools Lunch Program

Kansas City Public Schools, which remains closed until at least April 6, plans to provide sack lunches and meal kits for KCPS students. Students will need their school ID to pick up food and meals.

The meals will be distributed at these times and sites:

Tuesday, March 24 and Thursday, March 26

7-11 a.m. and 1-6 p.m.

Locations:

- Northeast High School, 415 Van Brunt Boulevard;
- Central High School, 3221 Indiana Ave.;
- East High School, 1924 Van Brunt Boulevard;
- African-Centered College Preparatory Academy-Lower Campus, 6410 Swope Parkway.

Monday, March 30 and Wednesday, April 1

7-11 a.m. and 1-6 p.m.

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KCPS families who need direct delivery of food should contact the district at food@kcpublicshools.org or call 816-418-3663.

The Lee's Summit School District, also closed until April 6, will be providing both drive-through and bus delivery service for meals. Those services begin March 23.

Please Visit KC City Hall website dedicated to COVID-19 for [Coronavirus FAQ's](#)


Public Meetings

The City encourages everyone to watch public meetings [online](#) or on [Channel 2](#) and submit public comments by [email](#).

Missouri State Resources

24 hour hotline: 877-435-8411

or <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/>

LSR7 COVID-19 Communication		Meal Services	
Any student 18 years and younger can receive a breakfast for the next day and a lunch for the current day Monday through Friday at the locations below.			
Drive-Thru 11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Parents may drive up and request meals needed per child.	Bus Delivery Volunteers will hand out meals from buses.		
	11 - 11:30 a.m.	11:45 - 12:15 p.m.	
Trailridge Elementary 3651 SW Windemere Dr., Lee's Summit, MO 64082	Ashbrooke Apartments Sage Crossing Apartments Knollbrook Street NE Ridgeview Drive & NE Swann Road Crossroads of Lee's Summit Apartments	Westvale Crossroads Oxford Place	Meals are for students only; not adults. For questions regarding the meal plan, contact Lori Danella at (816) 986-2206 or lori.danella@lsr7.net .
Prairie View Elementary 501 SE Todd George Pkwy., Lee's Summit, MO 64063			
Lee's Summit North High School 901 NE Douglas St., Lee's Summit, MO 64086			
lsr7.org/coronavirus Services begin Monday, March 23, 2020.			



WHILE SCHOOL IS OUT!

FREE MEALS

<OUR LOCATIONS>

1. ST. LUKE MEMORIAL CHURCH
3100 E. 31ST ST. KCMO 64128
2. CLYMER COMMUNITY CENTER
1301 VINE ST. KCMO 64106
3. NORTH KANSAS CITY YMCA
1999 IRON ST. NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO 64116
4. RIVERVIEW GARDENS
299 PASEO AVE. KCMO 64106
5. CHRIST TEMPLE
3544 HIGHLAND AVE. KCMO 64109
6. MORNINGSTAR YOUTH & FAMILY LIFE CENTER
2525 E. 27TH ST. KCMO 64127
7. ST. JAMES UMC-PASEO
5540 WAYNE AVE. KCMO 64110
8. WEST BLUFF COMMUNITY CENTER
1212 WEST BLUFF DR. KCMO 64108
9. LINWOOD YMCA
3800 LINWOOD BLVD. KCMO 64128

>OPEN TO AGES 18 AND UNDER
 >BREAKFAST & HOT LUNCHES TO-GO
 >11 AM-1 PM
 >MONDAY-FRIDAY
 >NO SCHOOL ID REQUIRED!
 >STARTING MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020

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ST. LUKE MEMORIAL CHURCH

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ADMINISTERED BY THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES. THE USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.

Important Medical Information

CHILDREN'S MERCY HOSPITAL234-3000
2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City

RESEARCH BELTON HOSPITAL348-1200
17065 S US 71, Kansas City

ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH CENTER.....942-4400
1000 Carondelet, Kansas City

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL OF KANSAS CITY932-2000
4401 Wornall Rd, Kansas City

TRUMAN MEDICAL CENTER.....404-1000
2301 Holmes, Kansas City

VETERANS HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER..... 861-4700
4801 E Linwood Blvd, Kansas City

The Family Health Care location at 300 Southwest Blvd. in Kansas City, KS, will offer testing from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. Patients with a doctor's prescription can get tested for COVID-19. Call 913-722-3100 or by visiting www.sleefhc.org.

Governor Mike Parson
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 17, 2020

What You Need to Know: Missouri's COVID-19 Response Efforts

(JEFFERSON CITY, MO) – As concerns over the new coronavirus (COVID-19) continue to grow across the state and the nation, Governor Mike Parson and his administration are working each day to respond to the virus and protect the health and well-being of Missourians.

Expanding COVID-19 Testing

- The state is currently working with the University of Missouri to expand COVID-19 testing. This should increase testing capabilities by thousands across the state.
- Mercy Hospital recently set up a drive-thru testing site in Chesterfield, and University of Missouri Health Care is also working to implement drive-thru testing in Columbia.
- The Missouri State Public Health Lab will be receiving more tests from the CDC soon, pushing its capacity to 1,600 patient tests.
- Viracor, a private lab in Lee Summit, will have the ability to do over 1,000 tests per day.
- Quest Diagnostic and LabCorp are now testing.
- Washington University in St. Louis is also working to increase testing capacity.

Personal Protective Equipment

- The State Emergency Management Agency is working to procure additional personal protective equipment (PPE) for Missouri state and local response agencies, including law enforcement and the fire service.
- The Department of Public Safety and SEMA will continue to update local response partners as more information becomes available on PPE.

Emergency Declaration and State Regulations

- On March 13, 2020, Governor Parson signed Executive Order 20-02 declaring a state of emergency in Missouri.
- The Executive Order invoked the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan and will allow more flexibility in utilizing and deploying state resources.
- By declaring a state of emergency, Missouri now has access to an additional \$7.2 million for resources such as PPE.
- On March 13, the Missouri Department of Transportation announced an allowance for heavier-than-normal truckloads of supplies and equipment to travel on Missouri highways.
- On March 17, the Missouri Department of Transportation announced an increased weight allowance for trucks to support COVID-19 response and an IRP/IFTA emergency waiver.
- Missouri's State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) is currently activated at Level 3, partial activation, to coordinate state response efforts.

Closures and Restrictions

- In accordance with CDC recommendations, Governor Parson has strongly urged the cancellation or suspension of public gatherings of 50 individuals or more.
- Governor Parson has also asked that facilities attracting large concentrations of senior citizens strongly consider restrictions and closures, in consultation with health authorities, to protect those most vulnerable to this virus.
- The Missouri Veterans Commission has restricted access to all visitors, volunteers, and vendors until further notice.
- The Missouri Department of Corrections has suspended visitors at state correctional facilities, and the Missouri Department of Mental Health has also restricted visitor access at state mental health facilities.
- Public tours and events in the State Capitol have been shut down to encourage social distancing.
- On March 17, Governor Parson announced that Missouri casinos will be closed through March 30 in order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- As of 2:30 p.m. on March 17, a total of 432 Missouri public school districts/charter schools out of 555 have closed or will soon close.
- Additional restrictive measures will be forthcoming.

Coordination and Communication

- Governor Parson participates in a weekly conference call every Monday with Vice President Mike Pence and other governors around the country to receive federal updates and ask questions.
- Governor Parson also leads a call with emergency management personnel, county commissioners, county sheriffs, and the largest 40 city mayors across the state to provide updates – there are over 1,000 invites to this call.
- Governor Parson leads a similar call on Sunday evenings with elected leaders from around the state to discuss some of the primary issues they're hearing about in their communities relating to COVID-19.
- Governor Parson has traveled to several communities around the state to hold COVID-19 with local leadership, including St. Louis, Springfield, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Kirksville, Hannibal, and Columbia. This week, Governor Parson will also travel to Poplar Bluff, Hayti, Cape Girardeau, and Joplin.
- The state has also been in communication with the major utility providers in the state, and they have agreed to forgo disconnects in the event someone cannot pay due to hardship over COVID-19.

Informing the Public

- Each day, Governor Parson and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) post an update on social media including the number of positive COVID-19 cases reported in Missouri.
- DHSS has created a website that includes updates on COVID-19 in Missouri as well as other information and resources relating to the virus. All 16 state departments' websites provide a link to this website.
- All 16 state departments also have a consistent social media plan to help educate and update the public.
- A COVID-19 hotline is available through DHSS (877-435-8411) to take and answer questions 24/7.
- To further assist, the state is working on a chatbot that can answer frequently asked questions online and divert volume away from the call centers.

For more information, visit the CDC's website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus and the DHSS website at www.health.mo.gov/coronavirus.

You may also call the DHSS hotline at 877-435-8411 for questions regarding COVID-19 in Missouri.

Mark A. Sharp Weekly Capitol Report

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LEGISLATURE, COURTS, SCHOOLS CLOSE DUE TO VIRUS

As the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Missouri continues to rise, the April

municipal elections have been postponed until June, many local public school districts are shutting down for at least a few weeks, state courts are largely closed to in-person proceedings as the state legislature has taken a hiatus.

Gov. Mike Parson issued an executive order on March 13 declaring a state of emergency relating to COVID-19, but at the time expressed caution about overreacting and said decisions such as limiting large gatherings and closing schools should be made at the local level. Within days, many local officials had implemented such steps and most, but not all, of Missouri's 518 public school districts had closed or were planning to.

With the April 7 municipal elections looming, Parson issued another executive order on March 18 postponing them until June 2. There had been concerns about the safety risks to both voters in general and poll workers in particular, since older people tend to be hardest hit by the virus and many poll workers are retirees.

Later on March 18 during one of his now-daily press briefings on the crisis, Parson, a conservative Republican, stressed that it will be up to actions of individual Missourians, not the actions of state government, to minimize the impact of COVID-19.

"It comes down to personal responsibility," Parson said. "We can make all the laws that you want to make, but at the end of the day, this virus will be on the conduct of the Missouri citizens. What are they willing to take upon themselves? What are they willing to make a difference on? Those are what's important."

Parson has said most executive branch offices will remain open to ensure Missourians retain access to necessary state services. The legislative and judicial branches of government, however, will largely be closed.

On March 16, the Missouri Supreme Court issued an order suspending in-person proceedings in all appellate and circuit courts through April 3, with the possibility that the order may be extended as circumstances warrant. Electronic filings and proceedings that don't require physical attendance will continue.

The General Assembly is likewise taking a break, but for how long remains to be seen. While the Senate adjourned on March 12, the House stayed in session for another week before shutting down on March 19. Both chambers currently are scheduled to return March 30, but House Speaker Elijah Haahr, R-Springfield, said in a March 18 news conference it's unlikely that will happen.

HOUSE BLOCKS ATTEMPTS TO BOLSTER COVID-19 FUNDING

While debating legislation to provide supplemental state appropriations for the remainder of the current fiscal year, majority Republicans on March 18 rejected Democratic efforts to increase the spending authority the state might need in the coming months as it responds to the COVID-19 pandemic.

House Bill 2014, which eventually passed on a vote of 147-3-1, contains new spending authority for various aspects of government that wasn't included in the original fiscal year 2020 state operating budget lawmakers enacted last spring. FY 2020 runs through June 30.

Although HB 2014 includes \$33 million in spending authority targeted for the state's COVID-19 response, House Democrats argued, based on the needs seen in other states, that amount could prove woefully insufficient. Democrats offered several amendments to increase available resources, including one for another \$87 million in spending authority, to better prepare the state for whatever unfolds in the coming months.

While a budget appropriation provides the necessary legal authority to spend money, it doesn't require money to be spent. Nonetheless, Republican lawmakers defeated all attempts to further boost emergency spending, arguing it's too early to tell if additional funding will be needed. State Rep. Kathy Swan, R-Cape Girardeau, dismissed Democratic efforts to better prepare the state as "doomsday discussion."

House Minority Leader Crystal Quade, D-Springfield, expressed frustration that state leaders have been slow to react to the crisis, quick to make excuses for not doing more and prone to defer actions to local officials or the federal government. She noted that all the proposals Democrats offered to bolster Missouri's response are already being implemented in other states.

"Missouri is always the last to do things" Quade said. "This is not the time to wait."

In addition to the FY 2020 supplemental spending bill, the House had been expected to pass its version of the \$30.9 billion state operating budget for the 2021 fiscal year, which begins July 1. In fact, the House Budget Committee had met earlier in the week during a marathon session to ready the FY 2021 budget bills for debate by the full House.

Less than a day before that debate was to begin, however, Republican leaders opted to delay action until the legislature reconvenes, which isn't expected until at least early April. The delay was largely due to the expectation that revenue collections will fall well short of previous estimates since much of the state's economy is shutting down as people isolate themselves. As a result, significant budget cuts likely will be needed.

Once the budget bills clear the House, the Senate will craft its own version of the measures. Lawmakers face a May 8 constitutional deadline for finishing the budget.

On a Lighter Note.....

My Top Netflix Picks

For those of us who are stuck at home quarantined right now, here are some movies and shows on Netflix that you might enjoy as we continue the social distancing to flatten the curve.

- **Spencer Confidential**
- **Hook**
- **TNMT 1&2**
- **Spiderman into the Spider-verse**
- **Dark Knight**
- **Any Given Sunday**
- **House of Cards**
- **Punisher**
- **All American**

Dear Neighbor,

My name is Mark A. Sharp and I am the newly elected State Representative for District 36th. I wanted to present to you my new weekly "Capitol Report" which will include the latest news and legislative updates about major developments here at the state capitol. As a new member of The 100th General Assembly, 2nd Session, I am proud to serve the people of South Kansas City.

My office in Jefferson City is available to assist you with questions you may have about state government or legislative issues. Please call, email or write anytime. If you are unable to reach me, my assistant Brian Farmer is ready to help you. If you are in Jefferson City, come by my Capitol office in room 109-G, and introduce yourself. The door is always open and I encourage you to visit.

Please forward this email to your friends and family who want to know how what is happening in Jefferson City will impact them here at home.

Yours in Service,
Mark A. Sharp



My Legislation

[HB2107](#)- Modifies residency requirements for the A+ Schools Program

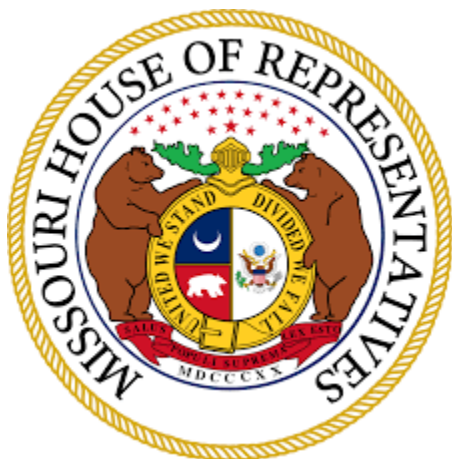
[HB2169](#)- Establishes Blair's Law, which creates the offense of unlawful discharge of a firearm for discharging a firearm within or into the limits of a municipality with criminal negligence

[HB 2635](#) - Provides that the period of detention on arrest without a warrant is 48 hours for criminal offenses involving a dangerous felony or deadly weapon

[HB 2636](#) - Modifies provisions regarding the expungement of records

[HB 2690](#) - Establishes a Negro Leagues Baseball Museum special license plate

Update: [HB2169](#) was passed out of General Laws Committee by a vote of 12-1. The bill has moved to the Rules Committee.



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