Marin County COVID-19 status update: March 20th, 2020

COVID-19 activity in Marin:

Many have asked for testing numbers in relation to the number of COVID-19 cases within Marin. We’ve come up with a dashboard that will be shared with each daily update. The dashboard will provide the number of confirmed cases, persons tested, percentage of those tested who were positive, how many are hospitalized and how many deaths within Marin County. In addition, the California COVID-19 cases and deaths are also reported.

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Marin County Public Health continues to advance policies to limit community spread and support our excellent healthcare partners’ capacity to respond.

Increased capacity for case investigations

With the increase in our confirmed cases and the need to continue COVID-19 contact investigations for those who test positive, we have increased our staffing to assist in those investigations. We recognize the importance of speaking with all of those infected with COVID-19 to assist in flattening the curve and limiting the spread of disease.

$1 Million in COVID-19 Relief fund

The County of Marin and nonprofit Marin Community Foundation (MCF) have created a $1 million fund to assist vulnerable populations amid the COVID-19 response.

MCF allocated $500,000, with the County matching from its General Fund, to address some of the most urgent safety-net needs for local residents. The fund will be allocated over the next two months to soften the social and economic impacts of the pandemic with five main efforts:

- Emergency rental assistance for low-income residents
- Expanded food for economically disadvantaged families
• Expanded meals for seniors
• Wi-Fi mobile access for economically disadvantaged students
• Emergency childcare for health care workers and emergency responders

Further details about the fund and how the money will be allocated will be made available at the March 24 board of supervisors meeting.

**A message from your Deputy Public Health Officer**

For today’s update, Dr. Lisa Santora talks about the increase in cases and contact investigations in relation to confirmed COVID-19 patients.

(Click on the photo or watch the video on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com))

**Where to get the latest information:**

Visit the official Marin County Coronavirus webpage (MarinHHS.org/coronavirus) to review answers to frequently asked questions, access guidance for special groups and subscribe for email updates. To view past status updates concerning COVID-19 activity in Marin County, click on the resources tab on the [Coronavirus webpage](https://MarinHHS.org)

Have questions? Individuals can contact Marin Health and Human Services with non-medical questions about the coronavirus by calling (415) 473-7191 (Monday – Friday, 9:30am to 12-noon and 1pm to 5pm) or emailing COVID-19@marincounty.org.