



**Brevard County
Emergency Operations Center
Community Report # 20-047
May 1, 2020, 7:00 PM**

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Incident Name
COVID-19

Brevard County EOC Status
Level 2 – Partial Activation

State of Florida EOC Status
Level 1 – Full Activation

Current Event Status

Event Overview

- The pandemic currently affects over 187 countries, with more than 3,321,402 cases worldwide, including 1,091,038 cases in the United States.
- Residents may call 2-1-1 for up-to-date information between 8 AM and 6 PM daily.
- The FDOH COVID-19 call center is available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day at 1-866-779-6121, but is experiencing a large volume of calls. Another option is to email COVID-19@flhealth.gov



Local Considerations

- **There are 289 confirmed COVID-19 cases, and 8 deaths in Brevard County.**
- **The target date for reopening of County Government facilities to the public is May 18.**
- **County libraries will begin opening in phases and in compliance with the Governor's 25% capacity recommendation and CDC recommendations for social distancing and sanitization.**
- **The speed limit on A1A has been reduced to 35 mph from Pineda Causeway to south of Highway 192.**
- Brevard Health Alliance will be utilizing their mobile van to offer testing to various locations in underserved communities: Our Lady of Grace in Palm Bay on May 4, Daily Bread in Melbourne on May 6, Byrd Plaza in Cocoa on May 8, Mosaic Church in Palm Bay on May 9.
- Due to the recent storm activity, the current mean average Keetch-Byram Drought Index for Brevard County has fallen below 450. As a result, the ban on open burning and the use of fireworks is no longer in effect.
- Health First has adopted a universal masking policy, which requires all who come through their doors to wear face masks until further notice.

Beach Parking	Status
Brevard County's beaches	Open, excluding the area between Patrick Air Force Base south to Spessard Holland Park, due to beach renourishment projects. This section will reopen on May 7.
Port Canaveral	Jetty Park remains closed
Cape Canaveral	Beach parking remains closed with the exception of Cherie Down Park, which is a County park.
Cocoa Beach	Beginning May 4, beach access parking shall be permitted in the following locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fischer Park • Downtown Parking Garage • 2nd Street South (ADA-accessible dune crossover) • Meade Avenue (west of Cocoa Beach Pier entrance)
Satellite Beach	Beach parking remains closed until May 15
Indian Harbour Beach	Beach parking remains closed until May 7
Indialantic	Beach parking remains closed
Melbourne Beach	Beach parking remains closed until May 15

- [Executive Order 20-112](#), outlines Phase 1: Safe, Smart, Step-By-Step Plan to Reopen Florida; it will begin on Monday, May 4.
 - Schools remain distance learning.
 - Visits to senior living facilities are prohibited.
 - Elective surgeries can resume.
 - Restaurants may offer outdoor seating with 6-foot spacing between tables, and indoor seating at 25% capacity.
 - Retail can operate at 25% of indoor capacity.
 - No change for bars, gyms and personal services such as hairdressers.
 - Vulnerable individuals should avoid close contact with people outside the home.
 - All individuals, when in public, should maximize physical distance from others.
 - Avoid socializing in group of more than 10 people in circumstances that do not readily allow for physical distancing.
 - Face masks are recommended for all those in face-to-face interactions and where you can't social distance.
- Executive Order 20-87 is extended in conjunction with EO 20-112.
 - Vacation rentals, including rental of any house, condominium, cooperative, or dwelling unit that is also transient public lodging establishment, are prohibited from making new reservations or bookings and shall not accept new guests for 14 days.
- CDC has updated COVID-19 symptoms, and Florida Department of Health in Brevard is offering free COVID-19 testing to anyone who is [symptomatic](#). Call 321-454-7141.
- For information on food pantry locations and how to access help, use the United Way of Brevard's COVID-19 Community Resource [guide](#).

- Since March 23, Brevard Public Schools has distributed over 1.1 million meals. [Locations](#)
- Health First is offering drive-up testing for first responders; call 321-434-3131 for appointment. Must show identification and credentials.
- (Non-COVID related) North Brevard/Mims residents are no longer required to conserve water usage but should still be mindful of non-essential use.
- City of Cape Canaveral:
 - For updates, visit: <https://www.cityofcapecanaveral.org/coronavirus/index.php>
- City of Cocoa
 - For updates, visit: <https://www.cocoaf1.org/1558/Coronavirus-COVID-19>
- **City of Cocoa Beach**
 - **Beginning at noon on May 4, beach access parking will be open in these locations:**
 - Shephard Park (south area only)
 - Fischer Park
 - Downtown Parking Garage
 - 2nd Street South (ADA accessible dune crossover)
 - Meade Avenue (west of Cocoa Beach Pier entrance)
 - **Sitting or lying on the beach is permitted, and groups of no more than 5 people are allowed, so long as social distancing of no less than 6 feet in all directions is respected. The alcohol ban remains in effect.**
- Town of Grant-Valkaria:
 - Town Hall is closed to the general public; essential services continue; in-person meetings and services are discontinued until further notice.
- **Town of Indian Lantic:**
 - **Beach parking remains closed.**
- **City of Indian Harbour Beach:**
 - **Beach parking remains closed until May 7 unless rescinded earlier.**
 - Beaches are open, encouraging social distancing in groups of no more than 5 people.
- Town of Malabar:
 - Town Hall is closed to the public. Essential services continue operating via e-mail and phone calls. For information, call 321-727-7764 or visit www.townofmalabar.org
- City of Melbourne:
 - For updates, please visit <https://www.melbourneflorida.org/about/covid-19>
- **Town of Melbourne Beach:**
 - **Beaches are open to sunbathing.**
- Town of Melbourne Village
 - Town Office is still closed to the general public; for questions email town@Melbournevillage.org, (321) 723-8300 or visit www.melbournevillage.org
- City of Palm Bay:
 - Public access to City facilities will resume on May 18 by appointment only; updates available at www.pbfl.org/COVID19
- Town of Palm Shores
 - Town Hall is closed to the public; requests for permits and inspections should be called to 321-242-4555 to schedule an appointment.

- City of Rockledge
 - Building Department permit pick-up, issuance, and payment is by appointment only. Plan review will continue as normal.
- **City of Satellite Beach:**
 - **All beach activities are permitted, but in groups of 5 or less. No congregating on boardwalks or beach access areas is permitted.**
- **City of Titusville:**
 - **Beginning May 6, City Hall will reopen to the public by appointment only. Masks will be issued for public entry. All other facilities will remain closed to the public.**
 - **On May 18, City Hall and all City facilities will reopen to the public.**
- **City of West Melbourne**
 - **Beginning May 4, City Hall, Police Department lobby, Public Works Office, and Recreation Office will reopen for in-person public service. Citizens are requested to wear face coverings and follow social distancing guidelines.**
 - **On May 5, the City Council meeting will be conducted via communications media technology. For updates, visit www.westmelbourne.org**
 - **The Community Park is available for jogging and running while social distancing. Dogs are not allowed in the park.**
- Patrick Air Force Base
 - Updates can be viewed [here](#)

Rumor Control

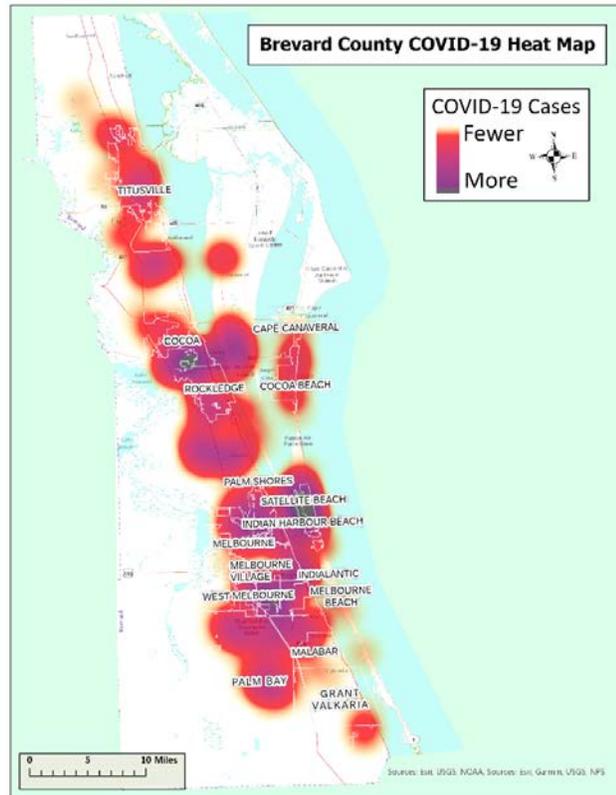
- There are no plans to block the roads into Brevard on May 27 for the return to human spaceflight.

Central Florida Highlights:

- Indian River County began allowing curbside pickup of library books today. Beach access points have reopened, and beaches are open to the public from sunrise to sunset, for limited recreational activities.
- Orange County curfew remains in effect until further notice.
- Osceola County curfew will end on Monday, May 4. Face masks are still required.
- Seminole County issued a social distancing [order](#) for reopening.
- Volusia County announced it is opening a limited amount of additional off-beach parking and providing public access to library computers by appointment. To prevent crowding, other than three beach vehicle ramps for handicapped access, all other beach ramps remain closed to vehicles. Groups on the beach are limited to a maximum of 6 people and groups are required to distance themselves by at least 10 feet from other groups.

Central Florida Status as of 5/01 – 11:00 AM (most recent update of the FDOH website)

County	Total Cases	Number of Deaths
Brevard	289	8
Indian River	91	8
Lake	233	13
Martin	197	6
Orange	1,413	34
Osceola	486	7
Seminole	385	8
St. Lucie	249	23
Volusia	500	21
Total	3,843	128



State/National Highlights

- Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association reopening guidelines can be viewed [here](#)

Public Protective Measures

- Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol.
- Avoid close contact with sick people, and stay home when sick
- Advise sick employees to stay home and allow telework or administrative leave
- Follow respiratory etiquette by coughing/sneezing into your sleeve
- Wear a mask or face covering when you are unable to maintain a 6-foot distance.

COVID-19 Online Resources

- CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- FDOH: <http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/COVID-19/>

Approval Information

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Stay Informed via Social Media

Brevard County Emergency Management is also providing updates via the following social media accounts:

Twitter: @BrevardEOC

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/BrevardEOC>

Text **BrevardEOC** to 888-777