



Brevard County Emergency Operations Center Community Report # 20-038 April 22, 2020, 8:45 PM

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Incident Name
COVID-19

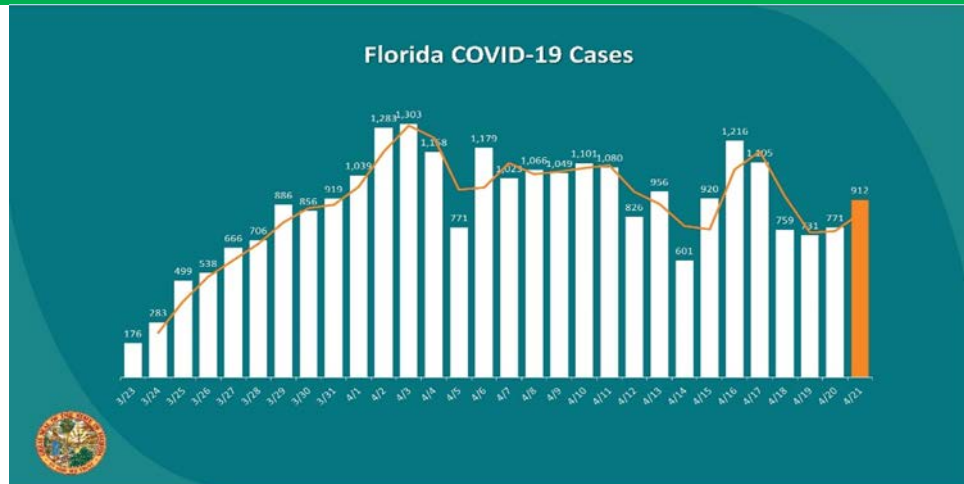
Brevard County EOC Status
Level 1 – Full Activation

State of Florida EOC Status
Level 1 – Full Activation

Current Event Status

Event Overview

- The pandemic currently affects over 185 countries, with more than 2,623,231 cases worldwide, including 842,319 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 225 confirmed COVID-19 cases, and 7 deaths in Brevard County.
- Career Source Brevard:
 - For workers: free virtual career workshops, virtual tools and training, and reemployment assistance
 - For employers: workshops for business resources and assistance programs
 - For information, visit [COVID-19 resource page](#).
- For information on food pantry locations and how to access help, utilize the United Way of Brevard’s COVID-19 Community Resource guide by clicking [here](#). It is recommended that you call ahead to verify availability
- Brevard County Public Schools:
 - There will be no meal service at Brevard Schools on Friday, April 24.
 - Continues to offer meals for students are free or reduced lunch at 27 food distribution sites. Click for [locations](#)
- Brevard County Farmers Market is open Thursdays from 3 PM to 6 PM.

- The market is operating on a pre-order basis through their individual vendors. Links to each of the vendors can be found at [brevardcountymarket](http://brevardcountymarket.com)
- When SNAP/EBT is used, they will double the amount purchased. The amount purchased will be given in the form of orange tokens, and can be used with most all of the vendors. The matching dollars will be given in the form of green tokens **and** can only be used for fresh produce or plants that produce fruits, veggies, or herbs. There is currently no limit on the match and tokens do not expire.
- Brevard County rated with a “D+” grade for today’s social distancing score from Unacast.
- Health First is offering drive-up testing for first responders; call 321-434-3131 for appointment. Must show identification and credentials.
- Brevard County Parks & Recreation: All playgrounds are closed until further notice. Parks and trails remain open.
- Florida Dept of Health: Now offering free COVID-19 testing for Priority 2: patients in long-term care with symptoms, those 65 or older with symptoms, those with underlying conditions and symptoms, and first responders with symptoms
- **(Not COVID-related) North Brevard/Mims area residents should reduce water usage for non-essential activities, such as washing cars and watering grass, until further notice**
- (Not COVID-related) A burn ban is in effect countywide due to the Keetch-Byram Drought Index exceeding 500. All of east central Florida now in moderate drought conditions.
- Space Coast Area Transit has waived fares through April 30. Bus routes are now available between 7 AM and 6 PM.
- Eastern Florida State College:
 - Student Services are available remotely, including virtual one-on-one student meetings that may be necessary. [View Student Services guide for details.](#)
 - Also read [updated Frequently Asked Questions](#) for important information.
- Supervisor of Elections:
 - Qualifying for judicial candidates ends at noon Friday, April 24. Although Supervisor of Elections offices are closed to the public, qualifying paperwork can be dropped off at the Viera office utilizing the drop box, or call 321-633-2166 for an appointment.
- City of Cape Canaveral:
 - For updates please visit: <https://www.cityofcapecanaveral.org/coronavirus/index.php>
- City of Cocoa
 - For update visit: <https://www.cocoaf1.org/1558/Coronavirus-COVID-19>
- **City of Cocoa Beach**
 - **Community food drive delivered donated goods to the Lutheran Church-Resurrection and Our Saviors Catholic Church; food drive will be continued through April 24 from noon to 6 PM**
 - **Executive Order 12A eases beach restrictions, encouraging social distancing and not congregating in groups greater than five people.**
- Town of Grant-Valkaria:
 - Town Hall is closed to the general public; essential services will continue; in-person meetings and services are discontinued until further notice

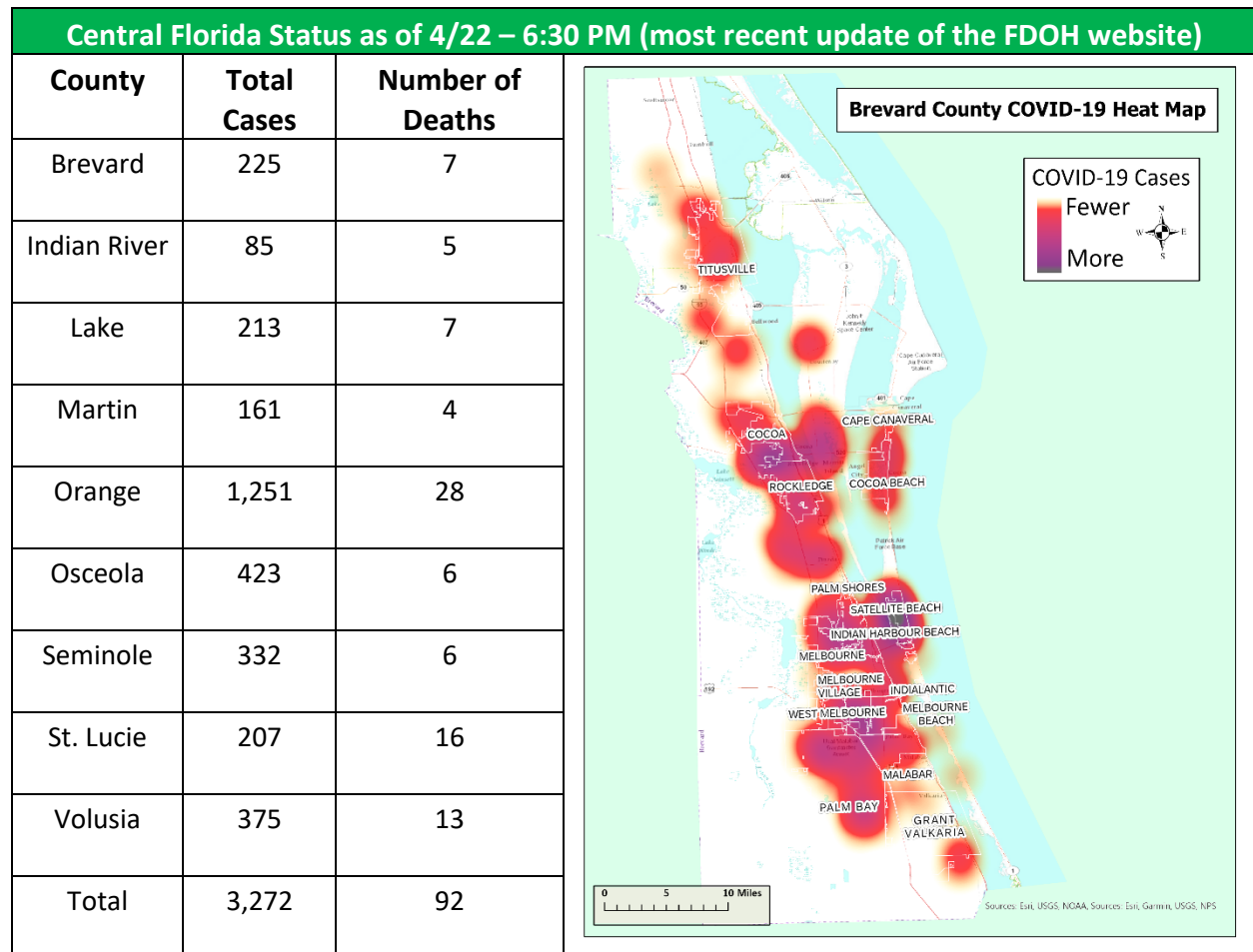
- Town of Indian River
 - Town Hall, police, and fire departments remain closed to the public. Customer service continues by telephone or electronically.
- City of Indian Harbour Beach:
 - All beach parking is restricted.
 - Building permit applications can be submitted through e-mail at building@indianharbour.org
 - Business Tax Receipt applications, fire inspections, alarm permits should be submitted electronically to the City Clerk, Sue Frank at sfrank@indianharbour.org
- Town of Malabar:
 - Town Hall is closed to the general public. Essential services will continue operating via e-mail and phone calls. For any further information, call at 321-727-7764 or visit www.townofmalabar.org
- **City of Melbourne:**
 - **Melbourne City Council April 21 special meeting approved a package of temporary fee waivers and deferrals designed to directly assist businesses. For more information click [here](#)**
 - **For updates, please visit <https://www.melbourneflorida.org/about/covid-19>**
- Town of Melbourne Beach
 - Town Hall lobby remains closed to the public; all business must be conducted via phone (321) 724-5860 or click [here](#)
- 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:
 - City facilities remain closed to the public while City operations continue.
 - Essential City services and COVID-19 updates available at www.pbfl.org/COVID19.
- Town of Palm Shores
 - Town Hall is closed to the public and 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:**
 - **Municipal beaches will reopen to all activities; activities must be conducted in groups of no more than 5 people; no congregating on boardwalks and access areas.**
 - **All beach parking lots will remain closed**
- City of West Melbourne
 - City services are available via telephone, (321)727-7700, website, www.westmelbourne.org or email, info@westmelbourne.org
- Patrick Air Force Base
 - Updates can be viewed [here](#)

Rumor Control

- Department of Health does not send text messages telling people they need to be tested for COVID-19.
- Stimulus check recipients do not have to confirm acceptance via text message.
- Financial Departments do not send text messages for COVID-19 pandemic financial assistance.
- The IRS will not call to request any personal or financial information for you to receive an economic impact payment.
- Antibody testing does not signify complete immunity or that there is no longer a need to social distance.

Central Florida Highlights

- The regional testing site at the Orange County Convention Center will administer up to 750 tests per day to individuals with respiratory symptoms or preexisting conditions, regardless of age. It is free of charge and no appointment is necessary.



State/National Highlights

- The Governor’s Executive Committee of the Re-Open Florida Task Force reconvened today. Task Force working groups are made up of the industries in the chart below and grouped by Low, Medium and High Risk. Risk refers to the potential risk by sector of job loss.

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Healthcare	Utilities	Accommodation and food (Tourism)
Agriculture	Education	Recreation and Sports
Management	Administrative	Retail
Government	Wholesale Trade	Real Estate
Professional Services	Manufacturing	Construction
Finance and Insurance	Mining	Transportation
	Information	

- Public schools will remain closed; distance learning will continue for the school year.
- The CDC has [recommended](#) the use of cloth face coverings.
- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services issued new guidance to nursing homes - requiring them to report COVID-19 cases/deaths directly to the CDC and inform residents and their families when cases occur within their facilities.

Public Protective Measures

- Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds
- Use hand sanitizer with at least 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

Additional COVID-19 Online Resources

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

Social Media Platforms

- CDC Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CDC/>
- CDC Twitter: @CDCemergency and @CDCgov
- FDOH Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FLDepartmentofHealth/>
- FDOH Twitter: @healthyFla

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 Brevard EOC to 888-777