



**Brevard County
Emergency Operations Center
Community Report # 20-043
April 27, 2020, 7:00 PM**

Contact Information:
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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 3,029,452 cases worldwide, including 983,848 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 266 confirmed COVID-19 cases, and 8 deaths in Brevard County.**
- Parrish Healthcare, in collaboration with OMNI Healthcare, opened North Brevard's first COVID-19 drive-thru test collection site at its Parrish Health & Fitness Center. The testing site is free for those without insurance, and no out-of-pocket expense for people with insurance, with a 48-hour turnaround time. There are three ways to register:
 - Text "COVID test" to 321-204-1966
 - Go to www.parrishhealthcare.com/COVID19Registration
 - Call 321-268-6139
- Beginning May 1, FPL plans to issue a one-time decrease of nearly 25% for the typical residential bill as a result of lower fuel costs. Business customers will also see a significant one-time decrease in May that will vary by rate structure.

- 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 an appointment.
- For information on food pantry locations and how to access help, use the United Way of Brevard's COVID-19 Community Resource [guide](#).
- Brevard County Public Schools meal distribution resumed today. [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](#)
- 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.
- **(Non-COVID related) North Brevard/Mims residents are no longer required to conserve water usage but should still be mindful of non-essential use.**
- **(Not COVID-related) The Keetch-Byram Drought Index is now 401. East central Florida remains under moderate drought conditions.**
- 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
 - Executive Order 12A eased 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 continue; in-person meetings and services are discontinued until further notice.
- Town of Indialantic
 - Beaches remain closed to all activities except walking, jogging, biking, fishing, surfing and swimming until April 30. Activities such as sunbathing, sitting in chairs, organized sports or lying on blankets and grouping of persons are not permitted.
- City of Indian Harbour Beach:
 - Beaches are reopened, encouraging social distancing in groups of no more than 5 people, including sitting and lying on the beach.
 - Beach parking areas remain closed; standing on the beach crossover locations shall require application of the social distancing requirement; please do not park bicycles on beach walkways and boardwalks as they block access for others.
- 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

- 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; 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 reopened 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 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

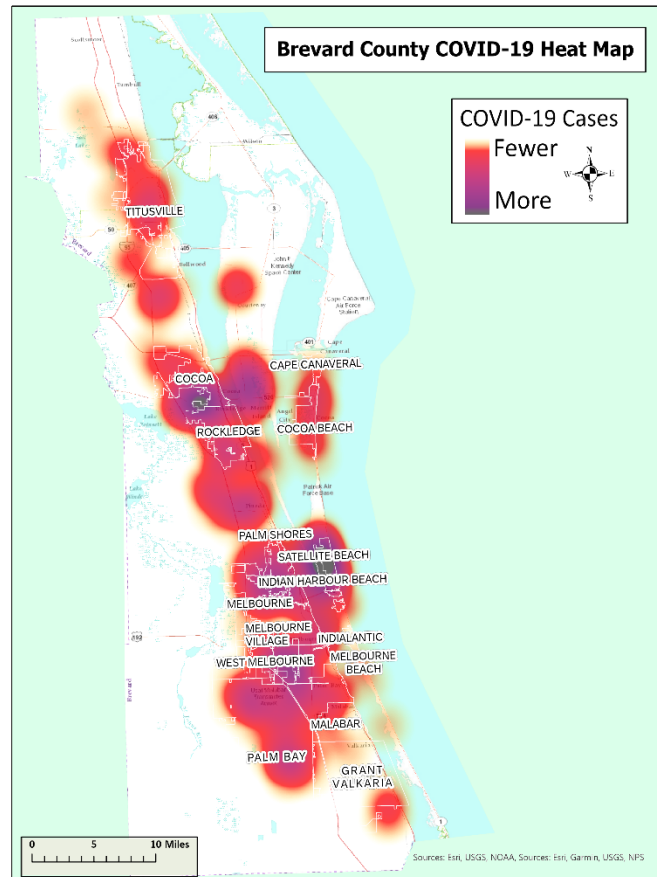
- **Ozone therapy does not cure COVID-19.**
- City of Melbourne is not defying the Governor’s Executive Order and allowing businesses to reopen.
- Drinking or injecting bleach, rubbing alcohol, or other disinfectants is not a treatment or cure for COVID-19.
- At-home COVID-19 antibody tests are not valid.

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, preexisting conditions, or contact with someone presumed to have COVID-19. It is free of charge and no appointment is necessary.

Central Florida Status as of 4/27 – 11:00 AM (most recent update of the FDOH website)

County	Total Cases	Number of Deaths
Brevard	266	8
Indian River	90	5
Lake	223	10
Martin	183	5
Orange	1,339	30
Osceola	470	7
Seminole	367	8
St. Lucie	236	20
Volusia	440	18
Total	3,614	111



State/National Highlights

- OSHA released guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19. The Guidance can be found at <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf> and a work place poster at <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3994.pdf>
- The CDC has provided tips for coping with stress during COVID-19, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/index.html>
- The CDC has [recommended](#) the use of cloth face coverings.

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 **BrevardEOC** to 888-777