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# CITY OF WAUPUN COVID-19 UPDATE: MARCH 26, 2020

**WAUPUN, Wis. March 25, 2020** – In response to the COVID-19 pandemic here are the latest updates from the City of Waupun.

Today, Gov. Tony Evers launched an initiative designed to get more personal protective equipment (PPE), such as gowns, gloves and masks, to those working on the frontlines of the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Wisconsinites can now go to <a href="https://covid19supplies.wi.gov/Donations">https://covid19supplies.wi.gov/Donations</a> to either donate or sell large quantities of PPE to the State of Wisconsin. The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) will then work with distribute the PPE to communities that need it the most.

### **Updates from the Waupun Police Department:**

Chief Loudon would like to address the rumors online that law enforcement has been pulling vehicles over to verify the vehicle occupants have the right to travel. The Waupun Police Department is not actively pulling vehicles over to question vehicle occupants on their essential life functions and travel. We too want to comply with social distancing for the health concerns for our officers and citizens thus; we are not conducting traffic stops that may put us at risk. We hope everyone complies with the Safer at Home order and we hope everyone abides by the social distancing requirements.

# **Updates from the City Clerk:**

Election Workers Needed!

Do you reside in Dodge or Fond Du Lac County? Have not been out of the area or in contact with anyone who may have been exposed to Coronavirus COVID-19?

If you are willing to serve at the April 7th election to replace poll workers who are unable to serve due to age or health concerns from the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic, please contact Angie Hull 920-324-7915.

#### **Updates from Community & Economic Development:**

The city, Chamber of Commerce, and community leaders are all aware of the challenges facing local businesses during this time, and are working on different options to provide assistance. To that end, we are ramping up our efforts to reach each business in our community being impacted by the virus.

What can you expect from our business services team?

- Outreach from members of our team who will be working to understand your need with the goal of pointing you to possible solutions.
- Introduction of resources being made available to help during this difficult time.

• Answers to questions. While we do not have all the answers, we commit to getting answers to help you through this.

Waupun businesses are also encouraged to complete the city's <u>COVID-19 Business Impact Survey</u> to help community leaders better understand the effects that current circumstances have had on business revenue, staffing, and other resources.

#### **Reminders:**

If you are experiencing symptoms or worry you may have been exposed to the coronavirus, Dodge County residents are to call 1-877-998-0022 and Fond du Lac County residents are to call 1-844-225-0147 for more direction from health officials before going to a healthcare facility.

Please remember that 9-1-1 is for emergency use only. First Responders throughout Fond du Lac County would like to remind everyone that calling 9-1-1 for assistance should be reserved for life-threatening emergencies only. Please do not call 9-1-1 for "flu-like" symptoms. Calling 9-1-1 for non-emergencies will put an unnecessary burden on an already-strained Emergency Medical System. If you have a true medical emergency, calling 9-1-1 is the right thing to do. If you have "flu-like" symptoms, please call a health care provider to discuss treatment options over the phone. Health care providers will give you recommendations for treating your symptoms without unnecessarily tying up an ambulance and overcrowding the emergency department and hospital.

The City of Waupun continues to follow recommendations from local, state, and federal agencies to establish preemptive measures to assist in reducing the spread of COVID-19. For information from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding COVID-19, please visit: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html</a>. Information relative to the City's full response can be found <a href="https://www.cityofwaupun.org">www.cityofwaupun.org</a>.