

Emergency Measures

1. The virus that causes COVID-19 is easily transmitted, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle an influx of patients and safeguard public health and safety.
2. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Declaration prohibits all indoor public and private gatherings and outdoor gatherings within an enclosed space of 50 persons or more anywhere in the City of San Antonio beginning at 11:59 PM on March 18, 2020 and continuing for seven (7) days, unless extended consistent with requirements of state law.
3. Based on revised guidance by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued on March 16, 2020, the public is strongly urged to avoid social gatherings in groups of more than ten (10) people.
4. It is strongly recommended that every person and business exercise the social distancing protocols established by the CDC and found within the “Implementation of Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission” issued by the CDC on or around March 11, 2020 (available online at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community-mitigation-strategy.pdf>).
5. Organizations that serve high-risk populations (defined below) should also follow CDC guidance for social distancing.
6. Additional restrictions regarding the following businesses will also go into effect upon issuance of this Declaration:
 - a. A food establishment, as defined below, may only provide take out, delivery, drive-in, or drive-through services consistent with state and local laws. Any food establishment that provides services under this section must adhere to social distancing requires for any waiting area or queue.
 - b. Bars, lounges, nightclubs, taverns, private clubs, gyms or health studios, indoor commercial amusement businesses, bowling alleys, bingo parlors, and theaters shall close.
7. Definitions and further guidance:
 - a. For purposes of this Declaration, a “Mass Gathering” is any event or convening, subject to the exceptions and clarifications below, that brings together or is likely to bring together fifty (50) or more persons at the same time in a single room or other single confined or enclosed space, such as, by way of example and without limitation, an auditorium, theatre, stadium (indoor or outdoor), arena or event

center, meeting hall, conference center, large cafeteria, or any other confined indoor or confined outdoor space.

- b. A “Mass Gathering” includes events in confined outdoor spaces, which means an outdoor space that:
 - (i) is enclosed by a fence, physical barrier, or other structure; and
 - (ii) where people are present and they are within arm’s length of one another for extended periods.
- c. This Declaration also does not prohibit gatherings of people in multiple, separate enclosed spaces in a single building, so long as 50 people are not present in any single space at the same time. This Declaration also does not prohibit use of enclosed spaces where 50 or more people may be present at different times during the day, so long as 50 or more people are not present in the space at the same time. For any gathering covered by this subsection c., compliance with Social Distancing Recommendations, including providing hand sanitizer and tissues and increasing cleaning of commonly touched surfaces is strongly encouraged.
- d. For purposes of clarity, a “Mass Gathering” does not include the following:
 - (i) San Antonio International Airport and its operations;
 - (ii) public or private schools, child care facilities, places of worship, and funeral homes;
 - (iii) museums (so long as visitors are generally are not within arm’s length of one another for extended periods);
 - (iv) spaces where 50 or more persons may be in transit or waiting for transit such as bus stops;
 - (v) office space, hotels, or residential buildings;
 - (vi) grocery stores, shopping malls, outdoor markets, or other retail establishments where large numbers of people are present but it is unusual for them to be within arm’s length of one another for extended periods;
 - (vii) hospitals, medical facilities and shelters; and
 - (viii) jails and detention centers.

However, in all such settings, it is strongly recommended that the establishments above follow Social Distancing Recommendations and exposure reduction measures such as providing hand sanitizer and tissues when possible.

- e. “Food Establishment” means a restaurant with or without drive-in, drive through, room service, or curbside services; a drive-in restaurant; a drive-through restaurant; a microbrewery, a micro-distillery, or a winery;

- f. “High-Risk Populations” include people who are:
- 60 years old and older;
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems;
 - People experiencing homelessness.
8. Reporting of COVID-19 Testing. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within the City of San Antonio and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period (1) the number of COVID-19 tests performed; and (2) the number of positive COVID-19 tests to the City’s designated representative for the Emergency Operations Center and the Local Health Authority for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, Dr. Junda Woo, at Junda.Woo@sanantonio.gov if either the specimen is collected in, or the test is performed in the City of San Antonio or Bexar County.

This information will be used solely for public health purposes to monitor the testing conducted in the City and mitigate and contain the spread of COVID-19.

9. The Local Health Authority and Director of Health may update restrictions set out in this Exhibit as necessary to respond to the evolving circumstances of this outbreak during the duration of the Mayor’s Declaration of Public Health Emergency and any extension by the San Antonio City Council.