

Corona Virus Daily Briefing from City of Ashland Emergency Management Organization

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

Operations Update

- Governor Brown's <u>new Exec Order</u> came out Monday morning. It affects citizens, government and businesses.
- <u>Jackson County</u> has a second confirmed case of community spread. There are very likely many more out there. No new cases today, but it is a <u>critical point for Oregon right now</u>.
- Regular communication with County EOC is taking place. They issue a daily email with updates for anyone who'd like to get it.
- Daily communications with Jackson County Public Health, regional fire, EMS, and law enforcement is taking place. First responder protocols are in place.
- Continuity of operations plans are in place for all essential city services (public safety, public works). Dept heads have executed work at home options for some employees who don't have to be in the office, moving toward the most staff working from home as allowable.
- Kelly is coordinating with OHRA, Jobs with Justice, Rep Pam Marsh, Jackson County, United Way and others on homeless resources. City contributing to the County wide effort to bring food to people on the Greenway.
- Neighbor helping neighbor guidance for safely assisting others is now on the City's coronavirus site.
- Ongoing communications with Chamber of Commerce and businesses is being led by Adam Hanks. Navigating the federal stimulus package is a top priority.
- Free AFR connection for students and teachers is available in Ashland.
- Parks closures under the new Executive Order have been signed throughout the community.
- Car camping locations are being examined and planned out

Public Information Update

Today's PIO tasks

- No new releases went out today. Mayor's message audio file was posted and linked to last night's postings and post added to Facebook.
- Kelly was on NBC5, Mayor on KDRV, and Chris did a short interview on KSKQ yesterday and today.
- Continued to update website and social media with new information. See the <u>cartoon graphic</u> on why "stay home, save lives" works that we posted from Governor Brown's Facebook.
- Continue to monitor community information and social media for needs and feedback
- Working with Adam and Chamber of Commerce on a supporting release to the business recovery email sent by the Chamber to businesses and linking to <u>Sen. Merkley's fact sheet</u>.

See <u>www.ashland.or.us/coronavirus</u> for what we currently have posted.

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