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### **Essential Businesses and Face Covering Requirement**

As per New York State [Executive Order 202.16](#), effective Wednesday April 15 at 8 pm, any employees of all essential business or entities who are present in the workplace shall be provided and shall wear face coverings when in direct contact with customers or members of the public. Businesses must provide, at their expense, such face coverings for their employees.

The New York State Department of Health has issued [interim guidance](#) regarding this requirement, which states, “face coverings include, but are not limited to, cloth (e.g. homemade sewn, quick cut, bandanna), surgical masks, N-95 respirators, and face shields”

Additionally, the State Department of Health has issued a Health Advisory ([click here](#) to view) regarding the use of cloth face coverings, which states, “Surgical masks and N-95 respirators are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and other first responders” Further, the State’s interim guidance states “Please note that quantities are extremely limited and are prioritized for health care workers and first responders.”

Please click [here](#) for directions provided by the CDC for the production of cloth face coverings, including instructions that do not require any sewing.

### **NY Pause - S.C. Legislative Meetings Closed for In-Person Attendance But Residents Can Participate**

Due to COVID-19 concerns and to ensure the safety of residents and employees, the Suffolk County Legislature’s Hauppauge building will be closed to the public through at least May 7th. The Suffolk County Legislature will broadcast on its website all committee meetings being held April 20-23 and the General Meeting being held on April 28. The livestreams for these meetings can be accessed at [www.scnylegislature.us](http://www.scnylegislature.us).

To guarantee that residents and interested members of the public are able to weigh-in on resolutions and issues being considered by legislators, testimony may be submitted through the following three avenues:

- Parties can call (631) 853-3685 and leave a three-minute message about topics of concern and specific resolutions. If you wish to submit testimony about a specific resolution or public hearing, please include this information in your message. Please include your name when leaving a message.
- Comments may be submitted in writing by emailing [Clerk.Legislature@suffolkcountyny.gov](mailto:Clerk.Legislature@suffolkcountyny.gov) or through regular mail addressed to the attention of the Clerk’s Office at the Suffolk County Legislature, William H. Rogers Building, 725 Veterans Memorial Highway, Smithtown, NY 11787.
- Specifically, for public hearings at the April 28th General Meeting, parties can sign-up to participate in the Legislature’s Zoom meeting that day. They must register to receive

the Zoom meeting invitation using the online form which can be accessed at <https://www.scnylegislature.us/publichearing>.

- Questions about how to participate or submit testimony may be directed to the Suffolk County Legislature Clerk's office at 631-853-6351. Thank you for your patience and understanding during these challenging times.”

For more information on meeting dates, time and agendas, please click [here](#).

### **LICADD Offering Telehealth Services**

The Long Island Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence is offering Telehealth Services. Please reach out to their 4/7 Hotline at 631-979-1700. For more information about LICADD, visit <https://www.licadd.org/>

### **Suffolk County Marinas Opening Delayed**

Suffolk County Marinas have delayed season opening. No boats to be placed in water before 5/1. Email [SCParks@suffolkcountyny.gov](mailto:SCParks@suffolkcountyny.gov) with questions.

### **Suffolk County Camp Grounds Closed Until May 1**

All reservations are cancelled and refunds will be issued.

### **Access Libraries Virtually**

Despite library closures, Suffolk residents can access the resources of their local library online at [Livebrary.com](https://www.livebrary.com).

### **Essential Business - Violation Reporting**

If you know of a essential business violating COVID -19 protocols, **please call 311** from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### **Brookhaven Meals on Wheels**

For information on the Town of Brookhaven's Meals on Wheels Program, please contact Senior Division at 631-451-9191; alternatively, or email [dmarchese@brookhavenny.gov](mailto:dmarchese@brookhavenny.gov)

# CORONAVIRUS

## UPDATE:

**Text COVIDSUFFOLK to  
67283 to receive  
information, guidance and  
developments.**



***Suffolk County Legislature***

### **Guide to the CARES ACT**

The U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business & Entrepreneurship has created a guide to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act which can be found by clicking [here](#).

For additional information, please visit

<https://www.sbc.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/guide-to-the-cares-act>.

This site includes links to information on the Small Business Administration's COVID-19 related programs - the Paycheck Protection Program, Economic Injury Disaster Loans and Emergency Grants, and Small Business Debt Relief.

In addition, the you find links for information on the Paycheck Protection Program, as well as other tax provisions meant to help employers, including non-profits from the Department of the Treasury.

### **LI Cares Food Link Locator**

The public is welcome to go to any of these sites to receive food/supplies. If you cannot get to these locations, LI Care is still delivering food throughout a dedicated network of 349+ agencies located in both Suffolk and Nassau Counties. To access Long Island Cares' member agencies in your town, here is the link to their food locator:

<https://www.licares.org/find-help/food-locator/>

### **Other Resources for Food**

**[Community Action Southold Town](#)**

**[The Lord's Cupboard \(NF United Methodist Church\)](#)**

Riverhead locations pending.

Please support local food pantries.

# COVID-19 TESTING

COVID-19 Testing is available in Riverhead

If you think you or someone in your family has COVID-19,  
CALL (845) 553-8030

Testing for the COVID-19 virus is limited in New York State.  
If you have the following symptoms call for screening:



Temperature greater than 100.5, not responsive to medications for fever



Severe shortness of breath



Persistent cough

**Anyone with the symptoms above should be tested as soon as possible.**

Testing will be **by appointment only** in an outdoor facility at:

HRHCare  
300 Center Dr S  
Riverhead, NY 11901

**Please note: only those with appointments can be tested.  
Call 845-553-8030 to inquire about an appointment.**



**All are welcome to call, regardless of insurance or immigration status.**  
Thank you and please stay healthy!



*This service is provided by a partnership of Suffolk County, Hudson River Health Care, and the Office of Minority Health.*

**For more information on COVID-19, visit [www.hrhcare.org/COVID-19](http://www.hrhcare.org/COVID-19)**

**Plasma Donations Requested from COVID-19 Recovered Individuals**



NY Blood Center and Mt. Sinai are requesting plasma donations from patients who have successfully recovered for COVID-19 for convalescent plasma treatments:

**NY Blood Center** - from their website:

*While COVID has no proven treatment, it is possible that plasma taken from those who have recovered (convalescent plasma), which has antibodies against the virus, could help. If you had a positive test, AND your symptoms have been gone for 14 days, AND you are willing to DONATE, please complete and submit the form below.*

*All information provided will be kept confidential and will only be used to qualify you as a donor.*

<https://www.nybloodcenter.org/donate-blood/convalescent-plasma-covid-19-donor-request-form/>

**Mount Sinai COVID-19 Plasma Donation** - From their website:

*If you had COVID-19 and have recovered you can help save a life. Your blood may contain antibodies that fight the virus and can help critically ill people. Mount Sinai is looking to screen you as a volunteer. Please fill out this form to see if you are eligible.*

[https://redcap.mountsinai.org/redcap/surveys/?s=RCC7FNHK3Y&\\_ga=2.2676016.1675440433.1586035052-362139679.1586035052](https://redcap.mountsinai.org/redcap/surveys/?s=RCC7FNHK3Y&_ga=2.2676016.1675440433.1586035052-362139679.1586035052)

### **Legislator Krupski's Office is a Drop-off Point for PPE**

Suffolk County Fire, Rescue & Emergencies Services (SC FRES) is collecting donated Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for distribution to hospitals, nursing homes and fire departments. PPE includes masks, gloves, goggles, face shields, gowns and other protective clothing.

If you have items you would like to donate, you can drop off at Legislator Krupski's office building, located at 423 Griffin Avenue, Riverhead ([map](#)), between 9 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday.



Please be advised, when dropping off donated items, you do not need to come in contact with anyone in the building. Please call **631-852-3200** for further instructions.

### **S.C. COVID-19 GIS Case Map**

As of this afternoon, there were 10,303 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Suffolk County. For a breakdown for each Town, please click [here](#) to view the map.

### **The United Way - United Together Program**

From the Website:

*United Way of Long Island's [UNITED TOGETHER: A Response Fund For COVID-19](#) will be used to help Long Island families as the current health and economic crisis progresses. If you are a low-income wage earner and have had a recent sudden loss of employment or furlough due to the effects of COVID-19, assistance will be available for eligible applicants. Support will be provided until these funds are exhausted. Click [here](#) for more details or visit <https://www.unitedwayli.org/covid19helpsuffolk>*

#### **Important Links:**

[\*\*S.C. Legislature's Resource Guide\*\*](#)

[\*\*S.C Legislature's Coronavirus Updates\*\*](#)

[\*\*CDC Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)\*\*](#)

[\*\*S.C. Covid-19 Update Page\*\*](#)

[\*\*NYS Coronavirus Information\*\*](#)

Donate Meals to Hospital Staff

## Long Island Counts!

[Click here to pledge to be counted and find out more about the 2020 Census.](#)

For more information on the Census log on to:

<https://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Elected-Officials/County-Executive/2020-Census>

I appreciate your feedback. Please send comments to [al.krupski@suffolkcountyny.gov](mailto:al.krupski@suffolkcountyny.gov)

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