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Stanislaus County Issues Health Officer Order Requiring Closure of Indoor On-Site Dining and Other Indoor Activities

Consistent with guidance from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), the Stanislaus County Public Health Officer has issued an order to close indoor operations of the following sectors:

- Dine-in restaurants
- Wineries, and tasting rooms
- Movie theaters
- Family entertainment centers
- Museums, and indoor zoos and aquariums
- Cardrooms

These sectors may provide services outside or by pick-up only and must continue to follow all the guidance issued by CDPH. Stanislaus County is one of the 19 counties in the state being required to shut down these sectors unless they can be modified to operate outside or by pick-up. Additionally, all brewpubs, breweries, bars, and pubs **must close** both indoor and outdoor services immediately.

“As Stanislaus County continues to see an increase in cases and hospitalizations, these measures are being implemented to slow the spread,” said Dr. Julie Vaishampayan, Stanislaus County Public Health Officer. “We recognize that these closures or restrictions are adding frustrations to our community; however, these immediate actions are necessary to slow the spread. It is very important for each of us to do our part in decreasing the spread by wearing a face covering, keeping six feet of distance, and staying home as much as possible, and at all times when sick.”

As people can spread this virus before becoming symptomatic, everyone is now required to wear a face covering securely over their nose and mouth when out in public. Businesses must continue to follow Public Health guidance in protecting their employees and customers.

Stanislaus County Public Health also recommends that individuals assess their risk of contracting the disease and the risk of the members of their households while participating in

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activities. People over 60 and those with underlying medical conditions are still the most vulnerable to contract the disease and should take great care when making decisions to engage in activities that may increase their risk of becoming infected. Residents are encouraged to adhere to all precautions and recommendations to stop the spread.

Stanislaus County Public Health continues to work closely with all our partners in the Emergency Operations Center to address the COVID-19 pandemic through guidance provided by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the California Department of Public Health, and other partners. For more information on the cases in Stanislaus County, please visit www.Stancounty.com/coronavirus