



**Fulton County Health Department
125 E. 9th Street
Rochester, IN 46975
PHONE: (574) 223-2881**

May 22nd, 2020 @ 1600

**Fulton County COVID-19 Daily Brief by the Authority of Fulton County
Health Officer Dr. Kevin Reyburn and Fulton County Health Nurse Rhonda
Barnett RN**

****All information is subject to change****

ISDH Case Numbers for Fulton County:

Total Positive Tests – 46 (Confirmed FCHD)

Deaths - 1

Total Tests - 407

****REMINDER****

IF YOU HAVE BEEN TESTED FOR COVID-19 YOU MUST GO HOME AND SELF-ISOLATE IMMEDIATELY UNTILL RESULTS ARE CONFIRMED. CONTACT A FRIEND OR LOVED ONE TO DO ANY ESSENTIAL ERRANDS YOU MAY NEED DURING THIS PERIOD. FOLLOW THE RECOMMED SELF-DISTANCING PROCEDURES.

If you have symptoms call Woodlawn at (574) 224-1131, Lutheran at (260) 435-5050 or your Family Doctor – YOU MUST CALL AHEAD
ER Open for Emergency's
Surgeries - Case by Case decided by your Doctor
Visitation - No visitation with limited exceptions



PRESS RELEASE
For Immediate Release
May 18, 2020

Contact:

Amy Beechy, FEDCO Small Business Initiatives, 574-709-7955, or
amy@projectmattersllc.com

**FULTON COUNTY AND FEDCO OFFICIALS ANNOUNCE
SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF FUNDING APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE**

Rochester, Ind. – Fulton County may now offer grants to Fulton County businesses, including businesses in high-risk categories such as hospitality/tourism, food and beverage, personal care, professional services, and retail sectors. After meeting with OCRA (Indiana’s Office of Community and Rural Affairs) officials last week, final grant application details were approved by OCRA for the COVID-19 Immediate Response Grant Funding. The goal of this program, per federal requirements, is to retain jobs and 51% of the jobs retained must be held by LMI (Low to Moderate Income) persons. FEDCO is managing the grant application process for Fulton County, and OCRA staff will also review all applications. The eligibility requirements include the following:

Nonprofits are not eligible per HUD Rules

- Businesses with less than \$1 million in gross annual sales and fewer than 20 employees. *Reminder: There is a requirement that 51% of jobs retained must meet the LMI (Low-to-Moderate Income) federal guidelines.*
- Businesses who have been denied benefits from other federal or state programs or have been declared ineligible may receive priority
- Businesses must have incurred a business/financial loss due to COVID-19
- Businesses must be based in Fulton County

Applications are available online through this link and include the LMI forms for employee income verification: <http://fultondevelopment.org/covid19-immediate-response-grant-application>

All forms are due by Monday, June 1st, 2020, 12:00 noon. Applications will not be accepted after this time. The approximate date for funds release is the end of June. Each business may apply for a maximum of \$10,000. As the county tries to assist as many businesses as possible, funds may be limited, and awards could be less than your request.

Businesses who wish to apply will need to include their Profit/Loss Statement for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 OR Schedule C from their 2019 income tax return. Also, within one week of the day the completed application and Profit/Loss statement are submitted, EACH employee (and owners) must complete the Income Verification Form that is included in the application link, so that LMI income status can be verified.

For more information related to the application process, please contact Amy Beechy, Manager of Small Business Initiatives for FEDCO at amy@projectmattersllc.com or telephone 574.709.7955.

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Beginning Monday April 20th

The Tippecanoe Valley High School meal site will be closed

and moved to the following meal pick up sites.

Grab and go lunches (with breakfast for the following day) can be picked up at the following locations and times for students age 18 and under.

Mentone Elementary (Main Entrance) 11:00am-12:30pm

Akron Elementary (Door R) 11:00am -12:30pm

Palestine Lake Boat Ramp Parking Lot 11:00am to 12:30pm

WestHaven Estates Parking Lot 11:00am – 12:30pm

Athens Church Parking Lot 11:00am-12:30pm

If parents or students do not have transportation available to pick up lunches, please call and leave a message for the following food personnel. Please leave information of student name, telephone number, address and the number of students needing meals.

Akron Elementary-Julie Kruger 574-598-2321

Mentone Elementary-Nikki Rutherford 574-598-2537

Tippecanoe Valley Middle School-Trisha Wilson 574-598-2230

Tippecanoe Valley High School-Shelly Holloway 574-598-2131

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EXECUTIVE ORDER BY HEALTH OFFICER

May 5th, 2020

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The Fulton County Health Officer, Dr. Kevin Reyburn MD declares the following guidance for funeral homes in Fulton County, Indiana, beginning immediately and remaining in effect until May 23, 2020. The order may be extended to comply with Governor Holcomb's Executive Orders for the State of Indiana.

1. Funeral and graveside services shall be no larger than 25 persons. The 25-person maximum also includes the staff associated with and working with the funeral home.
2. Alternatives to rule out number 1 for funeral services may include the following:
 - a. Hold the body until ban is lifted.
 - b. Use technology such as live streaming for funeral service.
3. Use of masks are recommended for everyone's protection.
4. Friends of the family may provide their condolences by utilizing the funeral homes website.

This order is given in conjunction with the Executive Orders released by Governor Holcomb for the safety of our state and local community.

Fulton County Health Officer

End

**ROUND BARN GOLF CLUB - TENTATIVE PLAN FOR RE-OPENING
MAY 1st**

NOTICE:

**WE ARE TAKING PRECAUTIONS
YOU SHOULD TAKE YOUR OWN PRECAUTIONS
ALL PLAY IS AT YOUR OWN RISK**

1. All players must stay at least six feet apart at all times
2. Preferred transactions are by credit card, and staff will wear gloves.
3. The golf shop and restrooms will be closed to everyone except staff members. Merchandise may be purchased on a to-go basis when staff members are able to go inside and retrieve the requested item.
4. Golf cart touch points will be sanitized after each use.
5. One bag and one player per cart, no exceptions — even if multiple players share a household.
6. Players must not touch the flagstick and must leave the pin in at all times.
7. Pool noodles will be inserted into the cup to allow the ball to fall slightly.
8. All rakes will be removed from the golf course. Because of that, players may smooth their lie and place their ball whenever they're in a bunker.
9. Ball washers have been removed from the course.
10. No sandwiches or hot dogs — only pre-packaged beverages, snacks and candy is available to go. Indiana excise law prohibits beer from being sold due to the elimination of sandwiches.
11. There will be no indoor dining, seating or congregating.
12. No rental clubs will be available.
13. The practice areas will be open with 6+ feet social distancing guidelines in effect. Driving range baskets or bags will be sanitized after each use.

14. These rules will be posted at each hole, on the clubhouse door and on the Round Barn website.

ENJOY THE GAME & THE GREAT OUTDOORS

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co.fulton.in.us/covid19

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Rhonda Barnett, RN Fulton County Health Nurse

Email: nurse@co.fulton.in.us

Dawn Risten, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Email: dristen@co.fulton.in.us

CONTACT TRACING-HOW DOES IT WORK?

When the Health Department receives information on a confirmed positive COVID-19 case, many processes go into action. First, the Community Health Nurse will speak directly with the patient or the delegate that the patient assigns. The patient is told to self-isolate at home until ten (10) days from the time symptoms began AND 3 days (72 hours) fever-free without fever-reducing medication, AND symptoms are improving. All THREE of those have to be happening to be released from isolation.

Next, any people that have direct contact with the patient will be contacted to make them aware they have been in contact with a person that has tested positive. The nurses will remind people of the symptoms and to stay self-quarantined at home for 14 days from the last day of contact with the infected person. Close contacts may be quarantined longer than the infected person due to time it takes to incubate.

Close contacts are those people who have been within 6 feet of a COVID-19 positive person for 10 minutes or longer.

If no symptoms after 14 days, then the person that had contact with the COVID-19 positive person, they are no longer considered to be at-risk.

The employer of the COVID-19 positive person will be contacted as well. It will be told to the business that they need to inform those that have had immediate contact with the COVID-19 positive patient. Those with direct contact need to self-quarantine at home for 14 days. After 14 days, the person could go back to work if the person is not showing symptoms.

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Message from Fulton County Economic Development

Fulton County Manufacturers are Essential Businesses and Operations

We know now how essential our restaurants and grocery and supply stores are. Essential Businesses don't just stop here however. For the purposes of Indiana Executive Order 20-08,

Essential Business and Operations means to include those manufacturing companies, distributors and supply chain companies producing and supplying essential products and services in and for industries such as healthcare, pharmaceutical, technology, biotechnology, chemicals and sanitization, agriculture, waste pickup and disposal, food and beverage, transportation, energy, steel and steel products, petroleum, fuel, mining, construction, national defense, communications and products used by other Essential Businesses and Operations.

For any businesses with questions regarding what IS and IS NOT considered Essential Business please contact the Critical Industries Hotline.

This center is reachable by calling 877-820-0890 or by emailing covidresponse@iedc.in.gov, is for business and industry questions only.

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April 7, 2020

- * **WASH YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY, MINIMUM 20 SECONDS**
- * **AVOID TOUCHING YOUR EYES, NOSE, AND MOUTH WITH UNWASHED HANDS**
- * **CLEAN AND DISINFECT FREQUENTLY TOUCHED OBJECTS AND UNWASHED HANDS**
- * **IF YOU ARE OUT OF WIPES A SIMPLE SOLUTION OF BLEACH AND WATER CAN BE USED. EXAMPLE: 1 CUP OF BLEACH TO 1 GALLON OF WATER**
- * **SELF ISOLATION/QUARANTINE: YOU MUST STAY HOME. YOU ARE NOT TO LEAVE YOUR HOME. YOU MUST HAVE A PERSON OUTSIDE YOUR HOME GET YOUR ESSENTIALS FOR 14 DAYS.**
- * **THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE BEEN RANDOMLY TESTED (NO SYMPTOMS) FOR COVID-19 YOU MUST SELF ISOLATE/QUARANTINE UNTIL YOU GET YOUR TEST RESULTS BEFORE YOU CAN RETURN TO WORK**
- * **IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 SELF ISOLATE FOR 14 DAYS AND 72 HRS SYMPTOM FREE WITHOUT FEVER REDUCER.**
- * **ANY PERSON COMING BACK FROM A VACATION OR COMING FROM AN INFECTED AREA IS REQUIRED TO SELF QUARANTINE FOR 14 DAYS. PLAN PROPER ARRANGMENTS FOR NECESSITIES FOR 14 DAYS.**
- * **MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SOCIAL DISTANCING AS IDENTIFIED BY THE CDC AND ISDH AS IT PERTAINS TO COVID-19 (6ft) APART**
- * **ALL RETAIL BUSINESSES SHALL BE AT 50% CAPACITY AND BUSINESSES CLASSIFIED AS RESTAURANTS SHALL BE AT 50% CAPACITY BEGINNING MAY 11TH (NO BAR SEATING).**
- * **COVID-19 SYMPTOMS: CHILLS, DIFFICULTY BREATHING OR SHORTNESS OF BREATH, PERSISTENT COUGH, ANY NEW**

RESPIRATORY SYMPTOMS, FATIGUE, BODY ACHES, LOSS OF TASTE AND SMELL OR A FEVER

*** PLAYGROUNDS ARE CLOSED. DO NOT CONGREGATE WHEN GOING ON OUTDOOR WALKS.**

*** FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION REGARDING INDIANA COVID-19 GUIDELINES PLEASE SEE GOVERNOR HOLCOMB'S EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-26. <https://www.in.gov/gov/2384.htm>**

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Fulton County Pharmacy and Grocery Hours

Medication (Pharmacy):

Kroger (574) 223-6347
Drive-through & Walk up window Open
Monday - Friday 9AM – 9PM
Saturday 9AM – 6PM
Sunday 11AM – 6PM

CVS (574) 224-4304
Drive-through
Monday – Friday 9AM – 8PM
Saturday & Sunday 10AM – 5PM

Walgreens (574) 223-3249
Drive-through & Some shopping if needed
Seniors
Tuesday Morning Only 8AM – 9AM
Monday – Friday 9AM – 7PM
Saturday 9AM – 6PM
Sunday 10AM – 6PM

Walmart (574) 223-9482
Drive-through only “side by hotels”
Monday, Wednesday - Saturday 9AM – 7PM
Seniors and at-risk shoppers
Tuesday Morning Only 6AM – 7AM
Tuesday 7AM – 7PM
Sunday 10AM – 6PM

**** Closed Daily for Break 1:30PM – 2:00PM**

Webb's (Akron) (574) 893-4413
Curbside pick-up only/ Deliveries on extreme cases
Monday – Friday 9AM – 6PM
Saturday 9AM – 1PM
Closed Sunday

Webb's (Rochester) (574) 223-2216
Curbside pick-up & delivery / Drive through / Front Door is locked
Monday – Friday 9AM – 7PM
Saturday 9AM – 3PM
Closed Sunday

Grocery Store Hours:

Kroger (574) 223-3881
Seniors and at-risk shoppers
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thursday 7AM – 8AM
Daily 8AM – 11PM

Save-A-Lot (574) 224-3434
Daily Seniors and at-risk shoppers 9AM – 10AM
Daily 10AM – 6PM

Dollar General (Akron) (574) 353-0168
Daily 8AM – 9PM

Dollar General (Rochester) (765) 319-8775
Daily 8AM – 9PM

Viking Foods (574) 893-4563
Monday – Saturday 7AM – 7PM
Sunday Closed

Walmart (574) 223-9481
Seniors and at-risk shoppers
Tuesday Morning Only 6AM – 7AM
Daily 7AM - 8:30PM

Food:

School Meals
PDF files of Rochester, Akron & Caston School Lunch
On County and School Websites.

Church Meals / Food Banks

Grace United Methodist Church Cancelled Free Meals on Wednesday

The Cross

(574) 223-3107

“Matthew’s Market” 100 West 3rd Street, Rochester

Monday, Friday

11:30AM – 1:30PM

Mobile Pantry Second Thurs of the Month 4PM – 6PM

Gatherings will be kept to a limit due to social distancing

Kewanna Food Pantry

(574) 653-9052

114 South Toner St, Kewanna

Serving Aubbeenaubee, Union, and Wayne Townships

Thursday

8:30AM – 10:30AM

UWS Ministries of Akron

(574) 893-4121

301 S West St, Akron

Serving Henry and Newcastle Townships by Appointment Only

Thursday Pickup

2PM – 4PM

Area Special Announcements:

- For Information Regarding Federal Aid Contact Terry Lee at Fulton County Economic Development. Phone: 574-223-3326
- Daily Meetings are being held with Community Leaders.
- All County Buildings are still officially closed to the public
- **Rochester City Pool is Closed for the Summer 2020 Season**
- **Rochester City building is closed to the public/drive-through only**
- **The following non-essential businesses will remain closed until the recommended opening date via Executive Order 20-26 (example: gym, country clubs, bars / taverns / pubs, social and service clubs, bowling alley)**

Updates and Closures: 03/26/20

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

[March 26, 2020]

CONTACT: FCHD

(574)223-2881

FULTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT CONFIRMS 1st CASE OF COVID-19

Fulton County Health Department announced today the first positive case of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in Fulton County.

Fulton County Health Department is working closely with the local and state officials to ensure that contacts of the patient are identified and monitored and that all infection control protocols are being followed.

Gov. Eric J. Holcomb issued a public health emergency declaration that calls on state agencies to continue their diligence and cooperation in responding to COVID-19 and ensures that Indiana can seek funding to control and stop the spread of coronavirus. The declaration is posted at www.in.gov/. The governor has also issued additional [steps](#) to protect the public from COVID-19.

The patient is self-isolating at this time. No additional information about the patient will be released due to privacy laws.

Human coronaviruses most commonly spread from an infected person to others through:

- Respiratory droplets released into the air by coughing and sneezing;
- Close personal contact, such as touching or shaking hands;
- Touching an object or surface with the virus on it, then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes before washing your hands; and
- Rarely, fecal contamination.

The best way to protect yourself from any respiratory illness, including the flu, is to:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact (within 6 feet) with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

The CDC does not recommend that people who are well wear a facemask to protect themselves from respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19. You should only wear a mask if a healthcare professional recommends it. A facemask should be used by people who have COVID-19 and are showing symptoms to protect others from the risk of infection.

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) will provide updates as new information becomes available. Visit the ISDH website at in.gov/coronavirus for the most up-to-date information on COVID-19 in Indiana.

04/07/20 – Fulton County Government

Due to the ongoing effort to keep everyone safe during this Covid-19 emergency we will be requiring anyone from the public who has to enter the Annex, Court House, Highway Dept., Sheriffs administration building and the jail to wear a mask covering their nose and mouth. If any departments have any public in on a regular basis, could you please reach out to them and give them a heads up on wearing a mask as we will NOT be providing the masks.

Respectfully,

Bryan W. Lewis
Pres. Commissioners

04/07/20

NEWS RELEASE

Fulton County Property Tax Statements

Fulton County's 2019 payable 2020 tax statements will be mailed April 14th. You will see that the tax bills will look different this year. You will need to use the appropriate spring or fall coupon when making your payments. If you are paying for the whole year at once, you can pay with one check but please send us both the spring and fall coupons and make sure your check totals both the spring and fall coupons.

The County Annex building is currently closed to the public until further notice. Please look for updates from the County Commissioners.

Property tax due dates are May 11th for the spring installment and November 10th for the fall installment. Due dates have not changed. Please make every effort to pay on-time. We are aware that the Governor has indicated late penalties will be delayed until July 10th. We have not received final details on this from the state yet. There are many questions and concerns that have not been finalized relating to the penalty delay.

It is understood that this is a difficult time for everyone, every household, every business and every government entity. Your property taxes provide funding for many government and public entities that must continue to have proper funding

to provide the public services that are needed for all of us. Paying on-time is important.

As we exercise caution in dealing with the current health situation relating to the COVID-19 Virus, we are requesting the public NOT come to the Fulton County Annex building to pay your property taxes, unless it is absolutely necessary.

Please follow the guidelines listed below:

- 1. Please limit your exposure to public places. Be extremely cautious if you have any underlying health concern that may further compromise your health if exposed to this or other viruses.**
- 2. If you feel ill, or have any symptoms of illness, please DO NOT come to the annex building.**
- 3. If you have been around anyone who has been ill, please DO NOT come to the annex building.**
- 4. If you have questions about your taxes – CALL US 574-223-2913. We will be happy to answer your questions over the phone or email me treasurer@co.fulton.in.us.**

There are multiple **PAYMENT OPTIONS** that are available to you:

- 1. Pay by MAIL. Your envelope must be postmarked by the due date to be consider on-time. Send a self-addressed/stamped envelope if you want a return receipt(s). Check or money order is accepted. DO NOT SEND CASH.**
- 2. ON-LINE BILL PAY with YOUR bank. There is typically no charge by your bank for this service. Use your Parcel Number or your Duplicate Number as your account number when paying by this method.**
- 3. Pay by DEBIT or CREDIT CARD with a service fee of 2.50% (charged by the service provider) of the total you are paying. Go to www.co.fulton.in.us under the Treasurer's page and follow the links.**

4. DROP BOX outside the Annex Building. We are providing a drop box outside the Annex building by the south doors. We will be checking this drop box several times a day. Please have your payment in an envelope or we have an envelope box on the side of the drop box. Please place your check and payment coupon in the envelope. If you want a receipt, please provide a self-addressed/stamped envelope. Check or Money Order Only – NO CASH in the drop box.

5. Local Banks – Lake City Bank and Community State Bank in Kewanna will be taking payments. Please have your coupon and pay exact amount only.

Partial payments are always accepted anytime throughout the year. If you have any questions, please contact the appropriate office –

- Tax Payments – Treasurer’s Office at 574-223-2913
- Exemptions – Auditor’s Office at 574-223-2912
- Assessed Values – Assessor’s Office at 574-223-2801
- Drainage Assessments – Surveyor’s Office at 574-223-3317

Thank you for your time and understanding and I appreciate your cooperation.

Please, if you have any questions, call us at 574-223-2913.

Kathy Easterday
Fulton County Treasurer
125 E 9th Street Ste 112
Rochester, IN 46975
treasurer@co.fulton.in.us
574-223-2913

04/02/20 – Rochester Community Schools

Beginning Friday, March 20, Rochester Community Schools will provide food routes and pick-up locations for our families. The meal packages are intended to cover five days per student. Cafeteria staff will develop meals for all free and reduced lunch students. If you would like this free service provided and are NOT on free/reduced meals, please email kathy.wilkinson@zebras.net or call 574-223-2159 ext. 5004 by noon on Thursday, March 19 so staff knows to package food for your student. This FREE FOR ALL service will last the entirety of school not in session.

Pick up locations are on Fridays from 11:00 am to 12:30 at:

- Heart to Heart Church of the Nazarene (1987 Southway 31)
- Grace United Methodist Church (201 West 7th Street)
- Faith Outreach Church (1125 East 9th Street)
- Mill Creek Church (1136 North State Road 25)
- Safe Harbor Church (1944 Sweetgum Road)

Food cannot be consumed on site.

Meals will be delivered on Fridays to students who ride busses:

- 4 (Brad Smiley)
- 14 (Stacy Ingram)
- 19 (Ion Tamer)
- 21 (Mary James)
- 27 (Kevin Wallskog)

Someone must be home to pick up the food package. If you are not able to be home during that time, please contact Mrs. Wilkinson to arrange for church pick-up or another form of delivery

Respectfully
Jana K. Vance, Ed.S
Superintendent

04/02/20 – The Outlet

THE OUTLET - DRIVE THRU

Come and grab a snack bag for
the children in your home!

Every Wednesday 4 to 5pm

Locations: 602 Main Rochester, 612 East Walnut St Akron, 201 E Main Kewanna,
7413 Liberty Ave Fulton

To comply with social distancing please only 1 or 2 people from each family to
pick up and stay 6 ft from others.

04/02/20 – Caston Schools

Dear Caston Family:

We're happy to inform you that Caston's Food Service Department will be
providing free sack
breakfasts & lunches for all students every Monday and Tuesday, behind the
school, located at Door 9 from 11-1:00..

There are three options that we are giving our community at this time (subject to
change as we have
opportunities to evaluate the program).

Option 1: Email Alysha Marrs (marrsa@caston.k12.in.us) by 9:00 a.m. to inform
her you will be driving through to pick up
bagged meals at the back drive by the football field at door #9 (right by the loading
dock) between
11:00 AM & 1:00 PM Monday or Tuesday. Your email needs to include the
number of children in your
household needing meals (anyone 18 & under). You can then conveniently pull up
to that area and the bags of meals will
be delivered to your automobile -- no need to get out of the car!

Option 2: If you have no means of picking up meals during the pick-up time stated
above, please
contact Alysha Marrs (marrsa@caston.k12.in.us) to setup for delivery. We will get
back to you and do our best to deliver
meals to convenient locations for families on Mondays ONLY.

We love our young Comets and want to help during these trying times, so we are
encouraging our community to pick up a weeks' worth of meals, on Mondays or
Tuesdays, to limit public exposure and do our part to do essential traveling. This
service, we are providing, is FREE to ALL, regardless if you receive assistance or
not. If there is anything further we can assist you with to make these coming weeks
easier, please let us know. Thanks!

03/27/20 – City of Rochester

Rochester, March 23, 2020:

In accordance to Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-08, Stay at Home Order. The City of Rochester has implemented these additional measures:

1. City Offices will be closed to the public beginning at 12:00pm on March 24, 2020. Local Government is an essential operation and staff will remain in the office during regular business hours (7:30am – 4:00pm). Please call City Hall at 574-223-2510 during these hours for city business related needs.
2. Utility payments will still be accepted by any of these methods:
 - a. Online, by phone, drop box, or drive up window.
3. All city parks will be closed to all activities, this includes the Round Barn Golf Club and Course.

Please visit the Fulton County webpage at www.co.fulton.in.us for the most current information for our county and for links to State and Federal updates and resources.

Thank you.
Mayor Denton

03/26/20 – Town of Fulton

Effective Tuesday, March 24th, the Fulton Town Hall will be closed to in-person services and payments until further notice. Also, our curbside recycling is suspending until further notice. Any questions: Call office phone at (574) 857-3162 or email us at townoffulton@hotmail.com

03/26/20 – Town of Akron

Per the guidance of Indiana Governor Holcomb, all Pike Memorial Park playground equipment and the basketball courts are now closed until further notice. Open park spaces and trails may still be utilized within the COVID-19 safety guidelines.

The Akron Municipal Utilities Billing / Customer Service Office will be Temporarily Suspending Both IN-PERSON Services and IN-Person Utility Payments until Further Notice.

English Statement from Town of Akron

https://www.co.fulton.in.us/egov/documents/1585054284_53699.jpg

Spanish Statement from Town of Akron

https://www.co.fulton.in.us/egov/documents/1585054335_53993.jpg

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03/25/20 – No New Updates at this time

03/24/20 – Fulton County Courthouse

At this time there are no plans to close the courts due to the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. However, **effective Wednesday, March 25, 2020** the Fulton County Courthouse doors will be locked and only media, litigants and their attorney (s) with scheduled hearings shall be allowed in the courthouse. “Social distancing” will be required inside the courthouse. Please file a motion to continue your case if you are sick. Non-essential hearings as determined by the courts may be continued on the court’s own motion.

Please contact the court that your case is filed if you have any questions:

Circuit Court: (574) 223-4339
Superior Court (574) 223-3506

The Fulton County Clerk’s Office is open by appointment only. Please call (574) 223-2911 for specific needs. These measures are being taken to protect the health of the courthouse employees and shall be in effect until further order.

03/23/20

Fulton County Solid Waste/Recycling is closed until further notice

Informational Websites:

Approved Formula for Bleach Disinfectant

<https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/bleach.html>

<https://www.co.fulton.in.us/departments/index.php?structureid=87>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

<https://www.in.gov/coronavirus/>

https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus#tab=tab_1

<https://www.coronavirus.gov/>

Questions? Please Call (574) 223-2881