

# Office of the County Executive

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# RACINE COUNTY TO CLOSE NONESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS AT COUNTY BUILDINGS

Racine – Racine County Executive Jonathan Delagrave announced today that all nonessential functions at County buildings will close in an effort to help reduce the rate of COVID-19 (coronavirus) transmission and protect residents and County employees.

Effective Wednesday, March 18, facilities including the Racine County Courthouse, Law Enforcement Center, Dennis Kornwolf Service Center, Ives Grove Office Complex and the Racine County Service Center in Burlington will remain open to the public but with limited in-person services. Anyone doing business at county buildings should call ahead and be prepared to make alternative arrangements to meeting in person. Contact information is at the bottom of this release.

Functions remaining open at this time include:

- The Racine County Circuit Court is open but court dates are changing and can be fluid. The status of the court system is determined by the State of Wisconsin. Anyone with a court date should check the Wisconsin CCAP system before leaving home or call the Clerk of Courts Office (262-636-3333).
- Limited Human Services functions such as juvenile detention, child welfare, and emergency mental health and substance abuse services, including the crisis stabilization facility SAIL.
- Meals on Wheels is continuing; however, all seven Senior Meal sites will close effective Tuesday, March 17.

It's important to note the coronavirus outbreak and public response is extremely fluid and subject to change. County officials are continually assessing conditions and are in close communication with both Racine County health departments. Regular updates will be posted on the county's website at <a href="www.racinecounty.com">www.racinecounty.com</a> and the County's Facebook page, <a href="www.Facebook.com/RacineCounty">www.Facebook.com/RacineCounty</a>. We are also following guidance from the World Health Organization, Centers for Disease Control, and State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

"While these and the many changes being implemented throughout the country are disruptive, they are essential to mitigate the impact of coronavirus and protect the health of the public," County Executive Delagrave said. "We are all in this together and we all need to do our part to slow the spread of this virus. As we continue to closely monitor the coronavirus outbreak, we urge Racine County residents to keep distance from others, avoid gathering in groups and stay home if possible."

For the latest guidance and to stay informed, visit the CDC's COVID-19 website at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus</a> and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services at <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19">www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19</a>.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION FOR RACINE COUNTY FACILITIES:

#### Racine County Courthouse 1-800-242-4202

• Includes Clerk of Courts, Register of Deeds, Treasurer, County Clerk, Human Resources, Finance, District Attorney, Corporation Counsel, County Executive, County Board.

### Racine County Dennis Kornwolf Service Center 1-800-924-5137

Includes Human Services, Medical Examiner, Veterans Service Center,
Workforce Solutions, Youth and Family Division Social Workers, Juvenile
Detention Center, Economic Support, Child Support.

## Ives Grove Office Complex 262-886-8440

Includes Public Works, Developmental Services, Land Conservation.

#### AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER 262-833-8777

#### Racine County Service Center in Burlington 262-767-2922

 Satellite location for many County services, family-supportive services, Extension Racine County, Workforce Solutions, Veterans Services, Energy Assistance, Rescare's W2 and FSET case management.

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