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RACINE COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

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Overview

As part of the continued response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Racine County Emergency Operations Center has announced a housing plan to support hospitals, essential workers, and residents with special needs. County Executive Jonathan Delagrave said in a statement: "Racine County has again come together to help ensure our communities are prepared for all scenarios as the COVID-19 outbreak continues to unfold. This plan will help us keep those working on the front lines healthy, ensure our health care systems can provide care to all who need it, and give those with special needs a place to go to prevent further spread of COVID-19." [Read more about the plan in a news release.](#)

Gov. Tony Evers today announced a "Badger Bounce Back" plan which outlines criteria for Wisconsin to be able to reopen its economy in phases and includes steps to make sure workers and businesses are prepared to reopen as soon as it is safe to do so. In coordination with this announcement, at the direction of the governor, Wisconsin Department of Health Services Secretary-designee Andrea Palm issued Emergency Order #31 establishing the process and outlining the phases of the plan. The emergency order is available [here](#).

Confirmed coronavirus cases

United States: 746,625

Wisconsin: 4,499

Central Racine County Health Department: 93 confirmed (plus 35 probable); 6 deaths

City of Racine Health Department: 91 confirmed (plus 30 probable); 4 deaths

Racine County total: 184 confirmed (plus 65 probable); 10 deaths

Note: Probable cases are symptomatic individuals who have not been tested but presumed positive because they had direct contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19.

Racine County

The deadline for local restaurants to partner with the Racine County Senior Nutrition Initiative to provide meals for homebound seniors has been extended to Friday, April 24. Restaurants can apply [here](#).

Central Racine County Health Department

Central Racine County Health Department is now reporting out data on probable cases as well as confirmed cases on our website. Probable cases are symptomatic individuals who have not been tested but presumed positive because they had direct contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19. The data is updated daily at noon Monday through Friday. [CLICK HERE](#)

City of Racine

For the latest information from the City of Racine including counts and demographic information, [CLICK HERE](#).

City Employees Helping Prepare Emergency Food at Racine County Food Bank

- City employees from our Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department and Library, whose normal duties have been changed due to the pandemic, will be working at the Racine County Food Bank this week -- and again, in the future, if needed -- to assemble and fill thousands of boxes of emergency food to distribute to local residents in need. City willing to deploy our staff to assist community organizations facing loss of volunteers right now, and to ensure that we meet community needs during the pandemic.
- When: Tuesday & Wednesday, April 21 & 22, 10am-3pm.
- Where: Racine County Food Bank, 2000 Dekoven Avenue, Unit 2 (same building as HALO). Park on the north side of the building. Enter at the orange door next to the overhead garage door.

Advocate Aurora

Advocate Aurora released a statement today on Extended Restrictions on Elective Surgeries and Procedures. You can read more [here](#).

Resources

For Racine County updates on the COVID-19 outbreak, please visit www.racinecounty.com/coronavirus. The City of Racine coronavirus webpage can be found at www.racinecoronavirus.org. The Central Racine County Health Department's COVID-19 page is www.crchd.com/covid-19.

For national information on COVID-19, please go to the Centers for Disease Control's website: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

You can also find current information on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website, which has guidance that is updated regularly for travel, self-quarantine, and school districts, among other important information: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/covid-19.htm>.

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