

MARCH 23, 2020

We are living through an unprecedented time in recent history. This coronavirus (COVID 19) is sweeping across our country and now are our county. Each of us wants to be as informed as possible. This newsletter contains sites where you can find information that may be helpful to you and your family. So much of the information you receive is national news, but this is our local information. We will continue to update our sites as we live through this time as a community. Please check with your neighbors and friends to make sure they have food they need to shelter in place. Our best weapon to fight this is social distancing. There is a long incubation period when you could be shedding the virus or your friend who appears to be well is, in fact, contagious. I am at your service and can be reached by email at the address at the end of this newsletter. Please forward this to your neighbors in Okaloosa County. Please send me your contact information if you wish to receive my weekly newsletter during this pandemic. Most of all stay safe.

We thank our Physicians, health care workers and first responders who will be on the front lines. We will come through this and our country will be stronger. We pray for each other and those who will suffer loss in the weeks ahead. May God be with us.

Be safe and remember flatten the curve,

My Sincere Thanks,

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Okaloosa County Home Page <u>http://myokaloosa.com/</u>

COVID-19 Information http://Myokaloosa.com/bcc/covid-19

Next Commission Meeting here

Okaloosa County Protective Order here

Governor DeSantis Executive Orders

- Executive Order <u>#20-51</u>
- Executive Order <u>#20-52</u>
- Executive Order <u>#20-68</u>
- Executive Order <u>#20-69</u>
- Executive Order $\frac{#20-71}{}$
- Executive Order <u>#20-72</u>

Other Important Information

- The VA Transportation Network Shut Down effective COB Friday, March 20, 2020 until further notice.
- Unemployment information available @ https://fileunemployment.org/
- Coronavirus Map <u>here</u>
- Learn how to stop the spread of germs <u>here</u>
- Understand Social Distancing here
- Help Spread Prevention <u>here</u>

"Everything we do before a pandemic will seem alarmist. Everything we do after will seem inadequate."

~~ Michael Leavitt, former Republican Governor in Utah Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services under President Bush