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# COVID-19 UPDATE

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Last week, Governor Whitmer issued a new executive order that requires individuals to wear masks in indoor spaces and crowded outdoor areas. It also requires businesses that are open to the public to refuse entry or service to people not wearing a face covering, with limited exceptions. These orders took effect Monday and yesterday, I shared a clarifying statement for Macomb County businesses and residents:

1. If a business needs help with a customer who refuses to wear a mask, they should call their local police department (which might include the Macomb County Sheriff's Office).
2. If a consumer has a general complaint about compliance, they should call the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services at 1-888-535-6136 or visit [michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://michigan.gov/coronavirus) for more information.

The country is currently seeing a rise in COVID-19 cases. By wearing a mask or face covering, you can protect yourself and others from the virus. Please help us keep our community safe by following this guidance.

Thank you, and as always, take care and be kind to one another.

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Macomb County Executive

Macomb County is offering COVID-19 testing for all residents. The drive-thru, minimal contact site in Mount Clemens is open on weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The test is free, no prescription is needed and you need not have symptoms to be tested. To make an appointment for yourself or a group of employees, call the Macomb County Health Department 586-463-3750.

Grants, free Back-to-Business kits with basic PPE and other resources for reopening your business are available through Macomb County Planning & Economic Development. Visit [MacombBusiness.com](http://MacombBusiness.com).

Macomb Community Action is able to offer direct assistance to individuals and families experiencing financial crisis due to the pandemic. To learn more, contact Macomb Community Action Helpline at 586-469-6999.

As always, be sure to check Macomb County's #1 source for information regularly, [macombgov.org](http://macombgov.org).

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## Important Things to Know

- Per recent Executive Order, Michiganders are required to wear a face covering whenever they are in an indoor public space. It also requires the use of face coverings in crowded outdoor spaces. Please continue to keep everyone safe and businesses operating! It's time to #MaskUpMacomb. Learn more [here](#).

### CORONAVIRUS FACE COVERING DO'S AND DON'TS:

#### DO

- ✓ Make sure you can breathe through it
- ✓ Wear it whenever going out in public
- ✓ Make sure it covers your nose and mouth
- ✓ Wash after using

#### DON'T

- ✗ Use if under two years old or with trouble breathing
- ✗ Use surgical masks or other PPE intended for healthcare workers

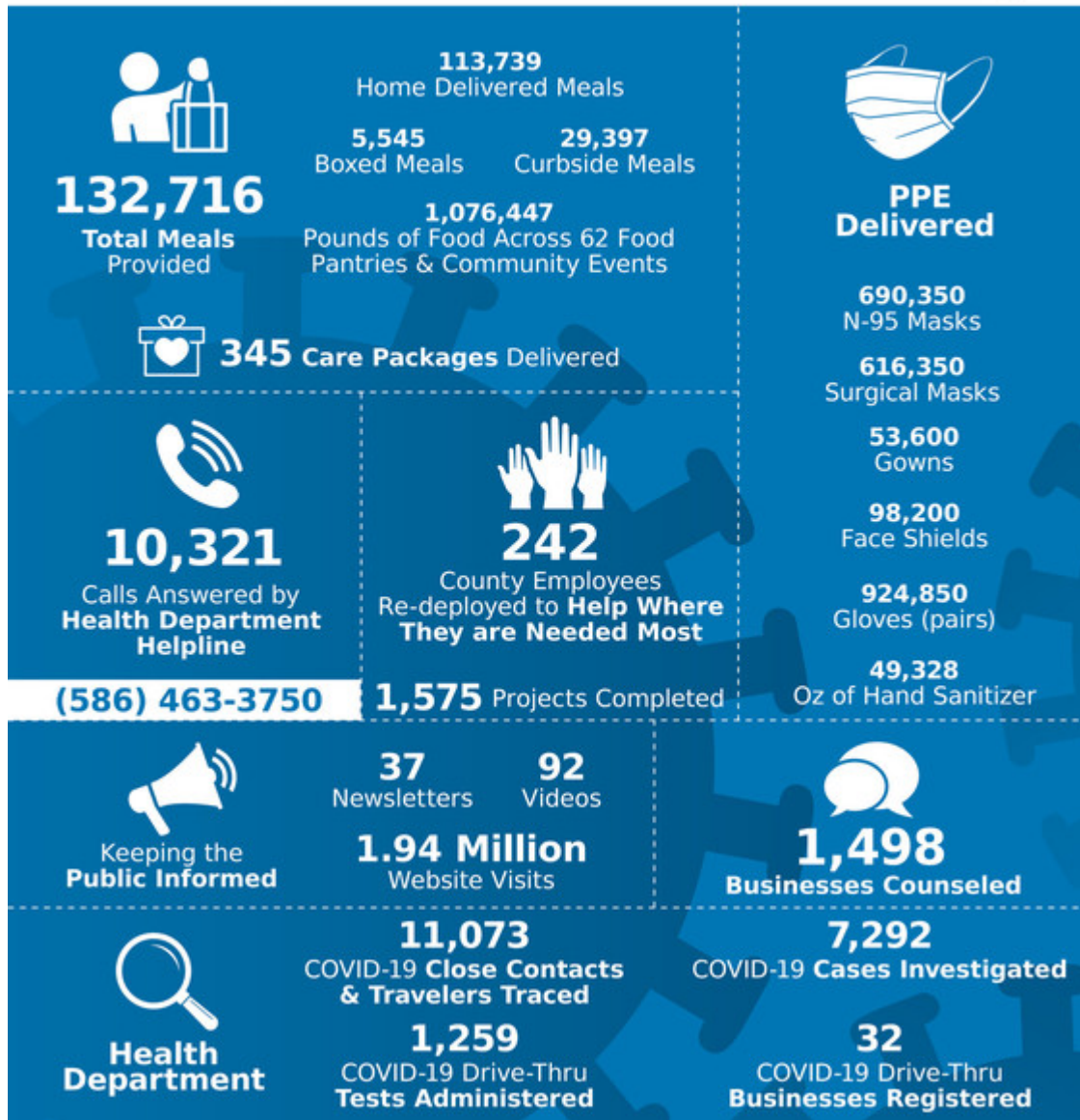
See some COVID-19 face covering questions and answers:  
<https://bit.ly/WearClothFaceCovering>



- Macomb County recently launched a second round of grants to help local businesses affected by COVID-19. The grant program will use federal CARES Act funding to distribute \$5 million to businesses with more than 50 employees. Each grant in this new round of funding will be worth \$10,000. An application will be available at [MacombBusiness.com](https://MacombBusiness.com) through July 22 at 5 p.m.
- Michigan's eviction moratorium is set to lift on Thursday, July 16. The Detroit Free Press recently covered the issue [here](#). If you are a renter in need of assistance in Macomb County, contact the Macomb Community Action Helpline at 586-469-6999.
- Macomb County leaders and personnel have been on the ground responding to the COVID-19 crisis since mid-March. Here's what has been accomplished so far:

# MACOMB COUNTY RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Since March 11, 2020



- The Macomb County Emergency Operations Center and Department of Health continue leading local efforts to respond to the ever-evolving nature of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Macomb County continues to update the online COVID-19 dashboard with the latest data and information. [Click here to access the dashboard.](#)
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Executive Mark Hackel has been regularly sharing video updates with Macomb County residents on YouTube and social media. Click on the links below for the latest updates:

- [COVID-19 Update with Executive Hackel - July 13](#)
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## In the News

- Macomb County Sheriff: We won't be issuing citations to people not wearing masks. [Read more.](#)
  - Coronavirus in Michigan: Here's what to know July 15, 2020. [Read more.](#)
  - Wearing a mask doesn't just protect others from COVID, it protects you from infection, perhaps serious illness, too. [Read more.](#)
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## Helpful Links

- Macomb County Community Mental Health (MCCMH) is on the ground providing assistance to residents. The Make Macomb Your Home blog recently featured the organization and its efforts in an [article here](#), including information that may be useful for those dealing with depression, anxiety or other mental health issues. If you are in need of immediate assistance, you can contact MCCMH directly. Their Crisis Center is open and will work to make appropriate linkages to community resources. Please call

586 948-0222, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m or 586-307-9100 for the 24/7 crisis line.

- In the past few weeks, additional COVID-19 testing locations have opened in Macomb County. You can find an updated link on the county website, [macombgov.org](https://macombgov.org). Michigan also lists all testing sites across the state. [Click here](#) to access that information.
- Experiencing food insecurity? Visit [gis.macombgov.org/go/food](https://gis.macombgov.org/go/food) to access maps of food pantries and school food programs.

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## Stay Informed

For the latest information from Macomb County regarding COVID-19, please visit [macombgov.org/covid19](https://macombgov.org/covid19).

