

MARK HACKEL, MACOMB COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## COVID-19 UPDATE

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July 22, 2020

Let me begin with a reminder that our 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. It's a simple measure - but it can save lives.

Over the last few months, our Department of Planning and Economic Development has been working with businesses to create several grant programs to distribute funding to thousands of local organizations. Using federal CARES act dollars, we are on the ground providing support to those affected by COVID-19 and the shutdown.

**Our most recent grant program is aimed at businesses with more than 50 employees and we recently extended the deadline to apply to August 5.** Let me be clear - these are grants, not loans. If you receive these funds, you do NOT have to pay them back. This is a stimulus for our local economy. So if your business had to lay off employees recently and you need to hire them back, this grant is for you. Or, if your business had to spend money on PPE or other protective measures related to COVID, this grant is also for you. To put it simply, if you lost any revenue or are struggling to return to pre-COVID profits, you should apply for this grant. We have a significant amount of funding from the federal government to give away, there is enough to help everyone. Please visit [MacombBusiness.com](https://MacombBusiness.com) to learn more. Our team is standing by to assist you.

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Macomb County Executive

Macomb County is offering COVID-19 testing for all residents. To make an appointment for yourself or a group of employees, call the Macomb County Health Department 586-463-3750 Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The drive-thru, minimal contact site in Mount

Clemens is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The test is free, no prescription is needed and you need not have symptoms to be tested.

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](https://www.mcombcbusiness.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](https://www.mcombcgov.org).

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## Important Things to Know

- To combat the rise in COVID-19 cases, it is important to wear a mask and get tested for the virus. Macomb County is offering free testing to residents. No prescriptions or symptoms are required. Call the Macomb County Health Department at 586-463-3750 Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. to make an appointment.



# COVID-19 DRIVE THROUGH TESTING

- Any Macomb County resident, business, or organization
- You do not have to have symptoms of COVID-19
- There is no cost
- No prescription needed

**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY 586-463-3750**  
Call Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
For businesses and organizations, call to schedule a block of time for your employees or members.

**LOCATION: 380 North Rose  
Mount Clemens, MI 48043  
(between Groesbeck & Dunham)  
Watch for signs**



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Department

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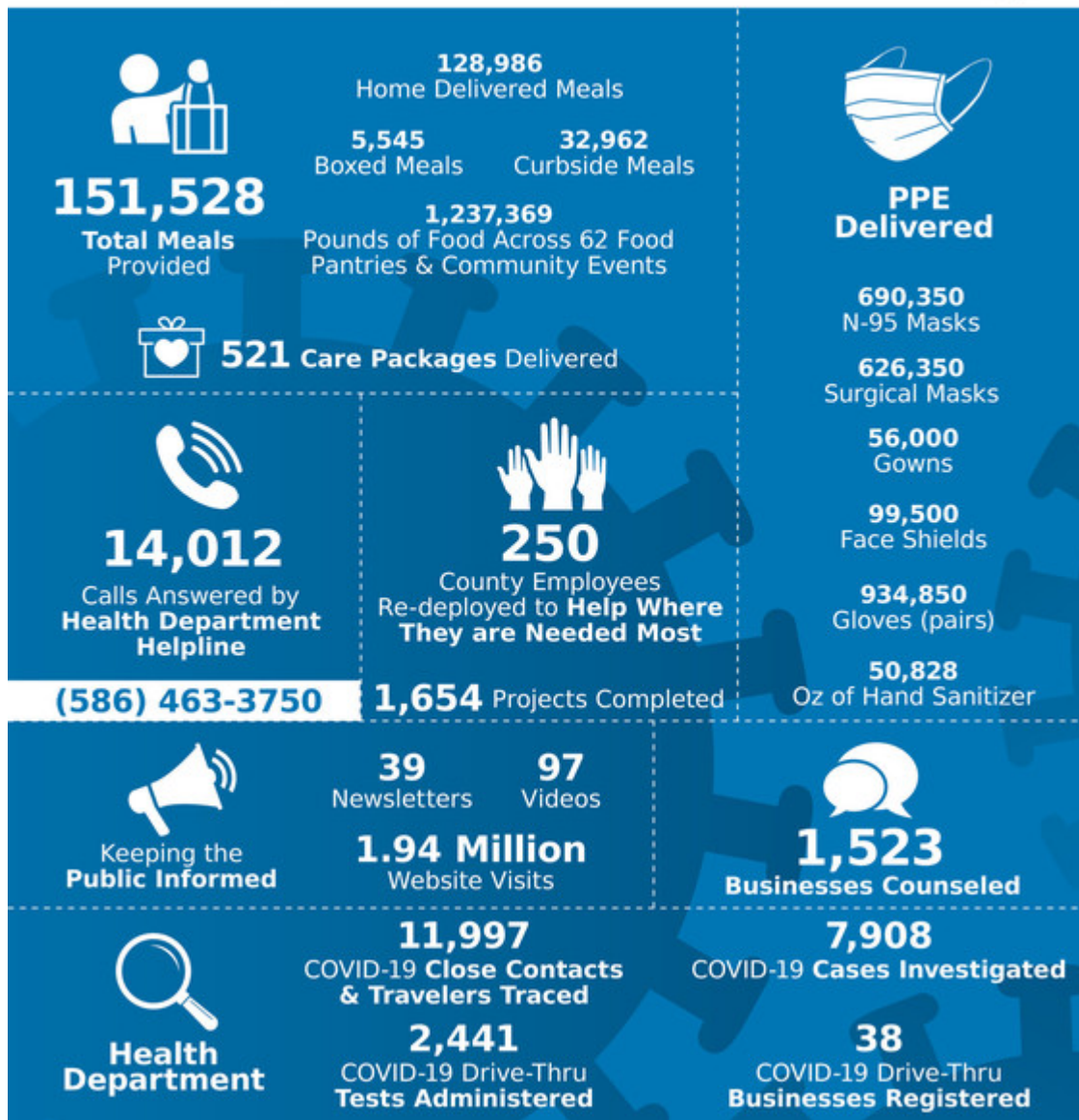
- The Michigan Economic Development Corporation is now accepting applications for the MEDC Small Farm Safety Grant program at [michiganbusiness.org/agsafety](https://michiganbusiness.org/agsafety).

Modeled after the [Michigan Agricultural Safety Grant](#) program, the MEDC Small Farm Safety Grant program will award \$1.25 million in grants to farms with less than 10 employees to fund COVID-19 mitigation costs. These include but are not limited to testing costs, personal protection equipment, facility needs, increased sanitation costs, employee training, and upgraded safety procedures for farm-provided housing. [Learn more.](#)

- Welcoming a child into the world can be an exciting experience. Watching them grow, learn and become independent individuals can be even more joyful. But for some families, this can be complicated. Especially when they have children with a serious illness or disability. Fortunately, programs like the Macomb County Health Department's Children's Special Health Care Services can provide relief for those dealing with a challenging diagnosis. Learn more about the program and eligibility in today's MMYH blog. [Read more.](#)
- Under normal circumstances, municipalities throughout the county make their public buildings available for people to escape the heat. Due to COVID-19, many of these are not open. However, some locations have confirmed their ability to offer relief from the heat during the pandemic. These cooling centers are air-conditioned public facilities where people may go for relief during temporary periods of extreme heat; these centers provide shade, water and restrooms. [Find locations.](#)
- 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.





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 20](#)
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## In the News

- Free dental services available for Macomb County veterans. [Read more.](#)
  - Michigan launches Eviction Diversion Program for renters, landlords: How it works. [Read more.](#)
  - Coronavirus in Michigan: Here's what to know July 22, 2020. [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).

