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Coronavirus and April 13th Storm Information

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Jasper County Emergency Services continues its diligent work in response to COVID-19 and maintaining daily contacts with our partner agencies.

As of today, The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control reports 6841 citizens infected throughout the state, resulting in 296 deaths. Twenty one cases have been confirmed within Jasper County, and one death. We encourage our citizens and visitors to continue practicing social distancing and follow CDC guidelines.

We remain under a Local State of Emergency. All Local government offices, including the County Courthouse and Probate Judge remain closed to the public. Business with your County Department staff can still be conducted by telephone, email, or website. If you have any questions about County Department operations, please contact them by phone regarding their status. All Department contact information is located on the County's website. Due to the increase in trash received, collection site hours are remaining temporarily 7 AM to 5 PM. The swap shops remain closed.

Governor Henry McMaster announced that the statewide "Work-or-Home" order was lifted and returned to voluntary status on Monday, May 4th. The governor also announced that beginning on May 4th, restaurants throughout South Carolina may provide outdoor customer dining service in addition to existing take out, curbside, and delivery services.

The governor also announced that he has lifted [Executive Order 2020-19](#) because CDC guidance identifying "hotspots" throughout the country, which constituted the basis upon which short term rental companies were to deny reservations, has since lapsed and was not renewed. The governor has also lifted [Executive Order 2020-14](#), which required individuals entering the state from the same "hotspots" to self-quarantine for two weeks.

Governor McMaster and state epidemiologist Dr. Linda Bell strongly urged anyone considered to be "at-risk" based on CDC guidance to limit exposure to others and for all South Carolinians to continue prioritizing their travels between home and work, when possible. Anybody who is sick or is showing symptoms of COVID-19 should immediately contact a healthcare provider and self-quarantine for a minimum of 14 days.

The Small Business Administration issued a press release on May 4, 2020. SBA disaster loans are available to South Carolina businesses, private nonprofit organizations and residents affected by severe storms, tornadoes and straight-line winds on April 12-13, 2020. The SBA process is virtual. The Virtual Disaster Loan Outreach Center/Business Recovery Center (VDLOC/VBRC) is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday. They can be reached at FOCE-Help@sba.gov, or by phone at 470-363-5611, 202-803-3307, 404-909-1549 and 470-363-5936.

Governor McMasters orders can be found at
<https://governor.sc.gov/executive-branch/executive-orders>

Information on temporary seating guidance can be found at
<https://governor.sc.gov/sites/default/files/Documents/Outdoor%20Seating%20Guidance.pdf>

Information on Parks and Recreation reopening guidance can be found at
https://www.sccounties.org/sites/default/files/uploads/resources/s.c._recreation_and_parks_association_reopening_guidance.pdf

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