

Situation Report Number: 2020-OERS - 03.19.20	
Incident Name: COVID-19 - MultCo Coordination	
OERS Number: 2020-0279	
EOC: Activated	Incident Commanders: Kim Toevs, Multnomah County Health Department Alice Busch, Multnomah County Emergency Management
Date: 03.19.2020	Please review the Multnomah County Coronavirus FAQs or call 211 . If you can't find an answer, submit your questions to Multnomah County.
Time: 1800	Situation Reports will be released daily at approximately 6:00 pm. > Purple text reflects new or updated information

General

- **Regional health press conferences** are now scheduled every Monday and Thursday at 2pm to provide COVID-19 updates.
- **EOC Liaison officer** holds weekly check-ins with stakeholders to address questions and concerns, as well as share guidance as it is released.
- The EOC is guided by the equity considerations created by the Multnomah County Office of Diversity and Equity.
- The County Website continues to be updated: <https://multco.us/novel-coronavirus-covid-19>

COUNTY RESPONSE ACTIONS

- Multnomah County is working with local hotels to establish alternate medical care locations. These locations are an attempt to prevent the spread of illness by increasing social distancing for people living in group housing and who are currently experiencing acute respiratory symptoms. Multnomah County is also establishing a location for those who have a positive test for COVID-19 but do not need hospitalization.
- **> Charles Jordan Community Center opened as a shelter today with a 125 bed capacity. An additional capacity of 100 or more will be created when the Convention Center is opened as a shelter. These shelters will be serving people experiencing homelessness in a continuing effort to help accomplish social distancing designed to help [flatten the curve](#).**
- **> A call center will begin operation to manage overflow calls currently being received 211 info and the health department and other information and referral lines currently receiving calls from the public related to COVID-19.**
- **> All requests received for personal protective equipment (PPE) have been processed as of 3/19/2020.**

- ➤ A collaborative volunteer and donations management unit is being established between the City of Portland and Multnomah County to coordinate COVID-19-related donations and volunteers. Offers of assistance and needs can be communicated through the Liaisons (page 3) or by emailing esf15.volunteerdonations@multco.us
- ➤ The Public Information team has established messaging, please share widely these simple strategies for coping with COVID-19:
 - Stay Connected While We Stay Apart,
 - Call Somebody
 - Get Some Fresh Air
 - Offer to Help
- ➤ A news conference was held to discuss strategies to create and maintain physical distancing. ([Facebook Video](#)).

Important Updates

- Portland Public Schools ([PPS](#)) has posted a list of sites where they will be distributing breakfast and lunch.
- ➤ Governor Kate Brown today announced an executive order directing Oregon's higher education institutions to move their curriculum to online learning, prohibiting in-person classroom interactions through April 28 as a way to prevent transmission of COVID-19. ([MyOregon.Gov](#))
- ➤ The Oregon Health Authority, together with the Oregon Military Department, is assembling the Oregon Medical Station (OMS) beginning Friday, March 20, at the Salem Fairgrounds. The OMS is a temporary mobile facility dedicated for emergency use in situations like the COVID-19 pandemic. The mobile facility will provide an alternate site for 250 patients currently in nursing home care.
- ➤ Several federal services have limited operations, including passport services, the Veteran Benefits Administration, and HUD headquarters and all field locations
- ➤ Saturday Market is closing through the end of March. ([Portland Saturday Market](#))

Liaisons with subject-matter expertise have been identified to support community organizations, businesses, and agencies and are meeting weekly. Liaisons are listed below and are available to members of their respective sectors. Requests for additional sectors to be created that are not covered by the established liaisons can be sent to the Liaison Group Supervisor. Sectors with no liaison named are not yet filled. **If you are interested in serving as a liaison, please contact the Liaison Group Supervisor.** Please note that the cost for non-county staff interested and able to fill vacant roles will be the responsibility of their organization.

➤ Table Updated 3/19/20

LIAISON GROUP CONTACTS

Multnomah County Emergency Operations Center

Liaison Unit Leader	Taylor Pinsent	eoc.liaisonofficer@multco.us	503-988-0071
Deputy Liaison Unit Co-Leader	Sophia Grimm	eoc.liaisonofficer@multco.us	503-988-0071
Deputy Liaison Unit Co-Leader	Tiffany Colburn	eoc.liaisonofficer@multco.us	503-988-0071
Deputy Liaison Unit Co-Leader	Shalynn Robinette	eoc.liaisonofficer@multco.us	503-988-0071
Schools Liaison (K-12, Childcare, Universities)	Molly Franks	eoc.liaisonschools@multco.us	503-988-0061
Aging & Disabilities	Erin Grahek	advsd.covid@multco.us	503-988-0057
Homeless Congregate Housing	Celeste Duvall	JOHS-em-duty@multco.us	503-349-9946
Law Enforcement	Harry Smith	LawEnforce.covid19@multco.us	503-988-8943
Fire Departments	Scott Lewis	Fire.covid19@multco.us	503-988-0059
Emergency Medical Services	Jan Acebo	EMS.covid19@multco.us	503-988-8936
Hospitals	Kathryn Richer	hospitals.covid19@multco.us	503-988-8385
Faith-Based/Community Organizations	Pilar Montejo	fbccocovid19@multco.us	503-988-0067
Neighborhood Emergency Teams	Jeremy Van Keuren	net@portlandoregon.gov	503-988-9429
Federal, State, Local, and Tribal Governments & Served Agencies	Taylor Steenblock	taylor.steenblock@multco.us	503-988-0063
Licensed Residential Facilities	Leticia Sainz	BehavioralHlth.covid19@multco.us	503-988-9956
Affordable Housing	Carolina Gomez	affordhousing.covid19@multco.us	503-988-0056
Event Venues	Chris Oxley	eventvenues.covid19@multco.us	503-988-0074
County Clinics (ICS)	Dawn Shatzel	outpatientclinic@multco.us	503-988-6546
	Ryan Linskey		
Outpatient Clinics	Christine Bernsten	outpatientclinic@multco.us	503-988-6475
Culturally Specific Communities	Regina Ingabire	community.covid19@multco.us	503-988-7352
Culturally Specific Communities-Community Health Workers	Beth Poteet		
Food, pool, lodging, and hospitality	Jeff Martin	FPLH.COVID19@multco.us	503-988-9317
Pharmacies	James Slater	pharm.covid19@multco.us	503-988-9126
HIV Services	Amanda Hurley	LGBTQ.COVID19info@multco.us	503-988-5926
LGBTQ +	Tyler TerMeer	HIVsvc.COVID19info@multco.us	503-988-5942

Situational News Outside Oregon

- ➤ Cases in Washington State jump to 1,376 with 74 reported deaths ([CSSE at JHU](#))
- ➤ President Donald Trump said Wednesday the Department of Housing and Urban Development will suspend foreclosures and evictions for mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration until the end of April. ([Politico](#))
- ➤ ICE to temporarily halt enforcement across the United States, except for its efforts to deport foreign nationals who have committed crimes or who pose a threat to public safety. ([Washington Post](#))

Emergency Support Function 8: Health & Medical

- This is a dynamic situation. Information and case counts are changing rapidly and the incident is on-going.

- The Oregon Health Authority has changed the personal protective equipment recommendation for COVID-19 testing. Once testing is offered by commercial labs, standard outpatient and hospital facilities should be able to perform testing without specialized equipment.

Epidemiology Updates

> **Global Cases*** ([click here for source: World Health Organization Situation Report 59 - 3/19/20](#))

- > 209,839 confirmed cases (16,556 new in the last 24 hours at time of report) and 8,778 confirmed deaths (828 new) worldwide.

> **United States** ([as of 03/19/20 4:45 PM, click here for source](#))

- > Total United States cases: 13,680
- > Total United States deaths: 200

> **Situation in Oregon** ([click here for source](#))

Oregon Test Results as of 3/19/2020, 8:00 a.m.	
Positive	88
Negative	1,329
Pending	437
Total (<i>Cumulative since January 24, 2020</i>)	1,854

County	Number of cases	Deaths
Benton	2	0
Clackamas	6	0
Deschutes	6	0
Douglas	1	0
Jackson	2	0
Klamath	1	0

Multnomah County Emergency Operations Center

Lane	2	1
Linn	18	0
Marion	13	0
Multnomah	7	1
Polk	1	0
Umatilla	2	0
Washington	25	1
Yamhill	2	0
Total	88	3

Age group	Number of cases
17 or younger	4
18 to 24	4
25 to 34	3
35 to 54	23
55 +	54
Total	88

Emergency Support Function 14: Public Information

For media inquiries related to COVID-19 please contact: Julie Sullivan-Springhetti, Public Information Media Coordinator: 503-502-2741

Social Media Sites

- [Multnomah County Facebook](#)
- [Multnomah County Twitter](#)
- [Multnomah County Health Department Facebook](#)
- [Multnomah County Health Department Twitter](#)
- [Multnomah County Emergency Management Facebook](#)
- [Multnomah County Emergency Management Twitter](#)

Resources:

- [Main Multnomah County website for COVID-19](#): Public-facing website containing FAQs, situation reports, poster links, and more resources.
 - [Multnomah County Coronavirus FAQs](#): Read FAQs related to COVID-19 topics, such as general health, traveler health, provider health, and animal health.
 - [Novel Coronavirus Questions Submittal Form](#): Still have a question about this virus? Ask our health experts through this online form.
 - [Public Health Alerts](#): Read current and past public health alerts.
- [Oregon Health Authority Crisis and Emergency Risk Communication](#): COVID-19 fact sheets, flyers, and templates in multiple languages.
- [Oregon Health Authority Novel Coronavirus Updates \(COVID-19\)](#): Latest updates, case reports and additional resources including informational videos
- [CDC Coronavirus Disease 2019 Information](#): Information for specific audiences, situation reports, and information about COVID-19.
- [CDC Myths and Facts Page](#): Simple key facts about coronavirus disease 2019
- [WHO Coronavirus Disease 2019 Information](#): Information about protecting yourself, Q&A's, travel advice, situation reports, technical guidance, and global research.
- [Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Global Map](#): John Hopkins University Center for Systems Science and Engineering map of the global outbreak (updated daily).
- [OEM Oregon Coronavirus Map](#): Oregon Office of Emergency Management's web map of Coronavirus cases in Oregon. Data and information in this dashboard updates every 5 minutes.
- [COVID-19 GIS Hub](#): A catalog of GIS applications and data related to COVID-19.
- [Oregon Live Coronavirus at a glance](#): The latest numbers, maps and headlines from the Oregonian.
- [Portland Emergency Hygiene Stations Map](#): The Portland Homeless and Urban Camping Impact Reduction Program has placed portable toilets with interior handwashing stations and standalone handwashing stations with water and soap around the city. The interactive map shows hygiene station locations and will be updated as new locations are added.
- [TriMet Updates](#): TriMet is maintaining a web page with COVID-19 updates.
- [Portland State University Updates](#): Page updating Portland State University's response to and plans for COVID-19.
- [Port of Portland Updates](#): The Port of Portland is maintaining a web page with information about their response to COVID-19.
- [Greater Portland Inc.](#): Greater Portland is maintaining a page of resources for Portland-area businesses impacted by COVID-19.

Multnomah County Emergency Operations Center

- [FEMA National Business Emergency Operations Center \(NBEOC\) Dashboard](#): A two-way clearinghouse for public-sector and private-sector stakeholders to exchange information during an incident.
- [OSHA Coronavirus Resources](#): The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has resources to help employers and workers prepare for and respond to coronavirus in the workplace.
- [Oregon Food Finder](#): Oregon Food Bank’s interactive web application for finding food pantries and food assistance sites.
- [Multnomah County What’s Open](#): Which County offices and services are open and closed during the COVID-19 outbreak
- [Guidance for Public Health Professionals Managing People With COVID-19 in Home Care and Isolation Who Have Pets or Other Animals](#)
- [OEM Oregon COVID-19 Hub](#): Site that includes Oregon case counts, maps, GIS data, resources and social media updates.
- Many public facilities and events have been closed or cancelled. The Oregonian is maintaining a regularly updated list: Link to [website](#).
- [>Flattening the Curve](#): Article and visualization describing which countries are flattening their COVID-19 curves

Partner Updates

Partner departments, divisions, and any activated Branch/Group/Unit/Section **please submit updates/actions taken related to COVID-19 by 2:00pm**. Information submitted will be included in that afternoon’s Multnomah County COVID-19 Situation Report.

To submit updates/actions, email the Multnomah County EOC Situation Unit (eoc.situationunit@multco.us) with the subject line: *Partner Update for COVID-19 Situation Report*.

Declarations of Emergency

State of Oregon, March 8 (in effect for 60 days, could be extended if necessary)

Multnomah County, March 11 (declaration [executive rule #388](#))

City of Portland, March 12 ([declaration](#))

City of Gresham, March 12

City of Wood Village, March 13

City of Troutdale, March 16

City of Fairview, March 16

Activated EOCs/ICPs

Operations Center

Status of Activation

Oregon Health Authority

Enhanced

Multnomah County Emergency Operations Center

Oregon Emergency Management	ECC is open Monday through Friday 8:00am-5:00pm, virtually on weekends	
City of Portland	Full	
Clackamas County	Full	
Metro	Partial	
Washington County	Partial - Open 7 days a week 8:00am-5:00pm	
Clark County	To Be Terminated on 3/18/2020	
Clark Regional EOC	Unknown	
Columbia County	Monitoring	
Yamhill County	DOC	
Bonneville Power Administration, Pacific Power, Portland General Electric, NW Natural	Incident Management Teams	
US Army Corps of Engineers	Crisis Action Team	
FEMA National Business Emergency Operations Center (NBEOC)	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	
City of Gresham	Partial	
Portland Air National Guard Base Emergency Operations Center	Activated	
Activated Call Centers		
<i>Call Center</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>	<i>Hours</i>
COVID-19 Communicable Disease Health Care Provider Hotline	503-988-3406	24/7
Mental Health Call Center	503-988-4888	24/7
211	211	7 days a week 8am-11pm
Document Development Information		
Prepared By (Name & Position): Michael Eaves / Situation Unit		
Date / Time Approved: 03.19.20 / 1800		
Date / Time of Next Situation Report: 03.19.20 / 1800		