



UPDATE COVID-19

3/16/2020

Graham County Government is working hard to make sure our families and community are as safe and healthy as possible. We are coordinating with local and state officials. We will be providing regular updates to the Graham County Local Government Facebook Page and will begin announcing updates via scanner at 1pm daily.

- To **reduce risk to our community**, the following activities are **CANCELLED or MODIFIED**:
 - ALL NC PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSED until **MARCH 30, 2020**.
 - All SPORTS (schools & rec league) are CANCELLED until further notice.
 - Graham County LIBRARY is CLOSED until **MARCH 31, 2020**.
 - Graham County SENIOR CENTER is CLOSED. MEALS can still be picked up curbside at the Senior Center. Arrangements can be made for seniors who normally come to the center to participate in daily meals to temporarily get meals through Meals on Wheels by calling 828-479-7977 after 8am.
 - GRAHAM COUNTY GOVT BUILDINGS are CLOSED to the public. ALL ESSENTIAL SERVICES REMAIN UP & OPERATIONAL. If you need the Health Department, DSS, Sheriff's Office, Transit, or EMS we ask that you please call ahead before coming to these buildings.
 - TAX PAYMENTS can be made by calling the tax office. Cash payments: please call ahead for details **828-479-7963**.
 - TRANSIT has suspended all non-medical trips outside of Graham County until further notice.
 - ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS will remain available by phone or email. Please visit www.grahamcounty.org for department phone numbers & email addresses.
 - If you are **65+ or older**, or you are **immunocompromised** please consider staying at home unless it is absolutely necessary. Please contact your doctor to ask about regular medical appointments.
 - If you have **respiratory or flu like symptoms**, please **contact your Doctor**. If you do not have a doctor, please contact an **Urgent Care facility**.
 - Doctors now have the ability to order testing if a person has a fever with respiratory issues and test negative for the flu.
 - **WASH YOUR HANDS and use hand sanitizer Avoid touching your face.**
 - Practice **Social Distancing**
 - Avoid being within **6 ft. of others for more than 10 minutes.**
 - Avoid gatherings, meetings, events.
 - **CALL & CHECK ON YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS**. Many of our elderly, disabled, high-risk residents may need assistance getting groceries, prescriptions, and supplies as they work to avoid being in public. Together, we will get through this.
- Doing what we can now will help to slow & stop the spread of this virus across the US will help with the health and economic effects of COVID-19. For the most up to date information visit www.ncdhhs.gov or call 866-462-3821.**


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