

COVID-19
CITIZEN UPDATE



**Calvert County Board of County Commissioners
Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Citizen Update**

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is committed to being transparent and keeping our community informed. Please see below for the latest updates:

- **Heartfelt condolences:** The BOCC announces the first known COVID-19 death of a Calvert County resident. This is a tragic loss and we ask all county residents to join us in sharing our heartfelt condolences and prayers with the family.
- **Stay-at-home directive:** This week, Governor Hogan issued a stay-at-home directive for all Maryland residents. The directive states that no Maryland resident should leave their home unless it is for an essential job or for an essential reason, such as obtaining food or medicine, seeking urgent medical attention or for other necessary purposes.
- **County government operations:** Calvert County Government offices will close effective today at 5 p.m. until April 17, as a measure to slow the spread of COVID-19. Closure length is subject to change. Essential personnel will continue to maintain government operations in support of our citizens. A complete list of services affected by the closure is located on Calvert County's virtual resource center at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Coronavirus.

- **COVID-19 testing:** According to the Calvert County Health Department, testing is currently very limited due to the nationwide shortage of test kits and the current capacity of laboratories to process specimens. Anyone who is concerned that they are infected with the coronavirus should contact their primary care provider. For more information, please contact the Health Department at 410-535-5400.
- **Community resources:** While a number of locations are closed, Calvert County Government's Department of Community Resources reminds residents there are still vital resources in place. Visit [online](#) for a list of local resources for citizens such as healthcare, housing and shelter and financial assistance.
- **Community drive for medical supplies:** Calvert County and CalvertHealth Medical Center are looking to increase supplies and take proactive measures against the COVID-19 pandemic. Community members and local businesses can assist by donating medical materials and supplies and blood. If you would like to donate, visit [online](#) for more information.
- **Where to buy local:** The Calvert County Department of Economic Development would like to remind citizens there are [local restaurants, food trucks, breweries and wineries that are open for service](#) and [farms who have produce available](#).
- **County parks:** Calvert County parks are open to Calvert County residents for passive recreation only, such as walking, biking, running and hiking. Visit the [Calvert County Government website](#) for locations that have remained open with adjusted operational hours.
- **Census 2020:** As our community confronts COVID-19, the importance of the 2020 Census is becoming even more clear. Census data informs decisions about critical health care services – including the future allocation of vaccines and funding for emergency services. It's important, easy, safe and confidential – and only takes a few minutes. Complete the 2020 Census today online or by phone. Learn more at <https://2020census.gov>.

Calvert County Government continues to share the latest updates surrounding our county's response to COVID-19 including any precautionary measures, guidance and closures through a virtual resource center at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Coronavirus. You can also receive updates on the county's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CalvertCountyMd and Comcast Channel 6.

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