

CALVERT COUNTY *Maryland*

COVID-19 CITIZEN UPDATE



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

Gov. Larry Hogan announced this week that certain outdoor dining, pools and other activities may be permitted at the discretion of local jurisdictions. While the State of Maryland has developed meaningful and useful guidelines and documents to help residents slowly return to normal, it is incumbent upon us to be responsible and take every precaution to protect your health and our community. The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is moving toward easing restrictions due to the pandemic, but we want to do so safely. Without continued vigilance, we put ourselves in danger of recreating the conditions that led us to where we are today. As you venture out, please remember to enact safety measures such as social distancing and the wearing of masks.

Please see below for the latest updates from your Board:

- **No BOCC meeting next week:** The BOCC meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 2, 2020, is canceled to help slow the spread of COVID-19 and limit the number of people infected. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, June 9, 2020.
- **Restaurants and bars cleared for outdoor seating:** Following Gov. Larry Hogan's Roadmap to Recovery, the BOCC announces that the county will allow temporary outdoor seating for restaurants and bars beginning at 5 p.m. today. Citizens are reminded that it remains important to stay at home as much as possible, avoid crowds and continue practicing physical distancing and wearing

masks in public areas. Visit the Calvert County Government website for [requirements and guidance](#).

- **Expanding services provided by breweries, wineries and distilleries:** Gov. Hogan has issued an [emergency order](#) expanding services by state-licensed manufacturers of alcohol, including breweries, wineries and distilleries. The order allows the service of alcoholic beverages in outdoor seating areas, consistent with the same Department of Health directives for restaurants and bars. Additionally, the order allows for third-party shipment to consumers by common carriers such as FedEx or UPS.
- **Summer recreation:** The Calvert County Department of Parks & Recreation is working closely with the Calvert County Health Department to safely reopen pools and begin offering youth recreation programs and sports in compliance with state social distancing guidelines. Traditional summer camps have been canceled for the year and pool re-openings have been postponed. Visit online for a [complete list of open facilities and to take a survey](#) voicing your opinion on desired Parks & Recreation activities and services.
- **Caregiver Services Corps (CSC):** The Maryland Department of Aging has implemented a new statewide CSC for seniors aged 65 and above. The service is designed to quickly deploy volunteers to the homes of seniors who need urgent assistance with everyday tasks when their typical caregiver is temporarily unable to help them due to COVID-19 exposure, illness or other challenges. For more information about the [CSC program](#), visit the Maryland Department of Aging website.
- **Getting Back to Business - A Virtual Town Hall:** Learn about Calvert County Health Officer Dr. Laurence Polsky's latest guidance on keeping your employees and customers safe. Also, hear about new programs, services and grant programs available through the Calvert County Department of Economic Development from Director Kelly Robertson-Slagle. The town hall will be held Monday, June 8 from noon-1:15 p.m. You must [register](#) at least an hour before the program in order to receive a link to the Zoom webinar.
- **Navigating Our Recovery:** The Calvert County Chamber of Commerce and the Department of Economic Development have teamed up to help get our businesses and our economy back to good. For information on recovery efforts and resources, visit online: <https://www.ecalvert.com/303/Navigating-Our-Recovery> or <https://www.calvertchamber.org/covid-19-information--resources-for-businesses.html>.
- **Take the “Maryland Strong” Back-to-Business Pledge:** We want to ensure our employees and customers return to business feeling safe and secure. Business owners, take the pledge to show your commitment and reinforce your dedication by posting a signed [copy of the pledge](#) in your business.

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](#). You can also receive updates on the [county's Facebook page](#) and Comcast Channel 6.





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