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LIVERMORE AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT – COVID-19 UPDATE

LIVERMORE, Ca - Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) is working together with our community partners including the City of Livermore and Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District to ensure the health and safety of the Livermore community and LARPD employees. On March 13, 2020, Livermore City Manager Marc Roberts declared a local emergency to strengthen the City of Livermore's ability to respond to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). The Alameda County Public Health Department issued a joint statement on March 16, 2020, with six other Bay Area counties, ordering residents to shelter in place at home until April 7, 2020. This decision was made in an effort to "flatten the curve" and slow the spread of the outbreak.

LARPD has made the decision to close all District facilities and cancel all classes and programs until April 13, 2020. Facility rentals (both indoor and outdoor) will be cancelled until April 7, 2020 in accordance with public health emergency guidelines. Keep in mind that this is an ongoing event and dates are subject to change. District staff will contact rental applicants and program participants to communicate the cancellation of these services and to process refunds. The Robert Livermore Community Center will have staff available to answer phone calls Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Summer registration begins on Wednesday, March 18 and will be available to the community through online registration or by contacting the Robert Livermore Community Center at 925-373-5700; the District will not be holding in person registration.

The LARPD Extended Student Services (ESS) elementary school program, PAL middle school program, and all preschool programs are closed and will resume regular program hours of operation on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 in coordination with the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District student dismissal plan.

The Open Heart Kitchen "Good Thyme Café" senior lunch program will continue offering lunches on a to-go basis only. All lunch orders must be ordered in advance from the Open Heart Kitchen website at <https://www.openheartkitchen.org/hot-meals/> for pick up at the Robert Livermore Community Center. This to-go service will continue until further notice.

All LARPD parks and open spaces are open to the public. We encourage social distancing, a distance of at least six feet between you and other park visitors. For a listing of all LARPD parks and open spaces visit <https://www.larpd.org/departments/parks>. We will continue to offer basic



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services to the parks such as trash pick-up, but please help keep the parks clean and adopt a “pack-in, pack-out” mind set as normal service levels may be impacted due to restrictions put in place by the ACPHD order.

View the Alameda County Public Health Department’s Frequently Asked questions about the shelter at home order here. <http://www.acphd.org/media/559828/faqs-order-shelter-in-place-20200316.pdf>.

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