

COVID-19 Coronavirus Situation Analysis & Talking Points

The COVID-19 situation continues to rapidly evolve and Monterey County CVB is closely monitoring developments and distributing information. The following is distilled from a variety of resources including the United States Travel Association, Visit California and the CDC among others. This information will be updated each Friday or as developments warrant.

Monterey County:

- Monterey County has moved into the expanded Stage 2 of California's reopening plan. Stage 2 includes dine-in restaurants, hair salons and barbershops, retail stores and outdoor recreation with modifications. Residents are still encouraged to stay home when they can, and travel is limited to essential travel only. For details, go [here](#).
- Beginning on April 30, Monterey County Health Office issued a new order requiring members of the public and workers to wear face coverings. This includes when visiting essential businesses, providing essential services, seeking healthcare and waiting or riding on public transportation. The full order can be found [here](#).
- Many Monterey County park trails are [open for limited use](#) with social distancing. However, [some state parks](#) remain closed. Beaches remain open for active recreation and limited parking. If visitors cannot maintain safe distancing in any public outdoor space, they should leave.
- The Monterey County CVB Visitor Information Center will remain closed until further notice. Monterey County CVB will assist with visitor inquiries through its ticketing system at www.SeeMonterey.com and through email at: info@seemonterey.com.

California Office of Emergency Services:

- The next phase in the governor's [California's Resilience Roadmap](#) is Stage 3, which includes the return of leisure travel.
- The governor has directed bars, wineries, breweries and brewpubs to temporarily close unless they serve food and follow other safety protocols.

Centers For Disease Control:

- COVID-19 cases are being reported in all states and the situation is constantly changing. Travel increases your chance of getting infected and spreading COVID-19. See guidelines on the best way to protect yourself and others from getting sick [here](#).

Visit California:

- Visit California encourages tourism businesses to follow [recommendations from Cal/OSHA](#) and the [CDC](#) about the workplace and employees, including guidance on maintaining flexible sick leave policies, encouraging sick workers to stay home and implementing specific health checks for work-related travel.

For additional resources, please visit:

LOCAL RESOURCES:

[Monterey County Health Department](#)

[Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula](#) – Monterey, CA

[Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System](#) – Salinas, CA

[Mee Memorial Hospital](#) – King City, CA

[City of Monterey](#)

REOPENING RESOURCE GUIDANCE:

[California State Government Guidance for Industry](#)

[California Hotel & Lodging Association Guidance for Hoteliers](#)

[National Restaurant Association Guide for Restaurateurs](#)

[International Council for Shopping Centers for Retail Centers](#)

[National Association of RV Parks and Campgrounds](#)

[US Travel Association Guidance for Health and Safety of Travelers](#)

[Visit California](#)

NATIONAL RESOURCES:

[Centers for Disease Control](#)

[U.S. Travel Association](#)

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