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St. Mary's County Government COVID-19 Operational Update-March 13

LEONARDTOWN, MD – As of Friday, March 13, 2020, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in St. Mary's County but in the interest of public health, the following cancellations and changes are announced:

All St. Mary's County Government Administrative Offices will be open for regular operations until further notice. Employees should continue to report for regular duty.

All St. Mary's County Government meeting spaces will be closed March 16-20. This includes but is not limited to the Commissioners Meeting Room in the Chesapeake Building and the Room 14 Conference Room in the Potomac Building.

The Planning Commission Meeting scheduled for March 16 is canceled.

St. Mary's County Public School will be closed March 16-30, 2020.

Margaret Brent Middle School is closed Friday, March 13, 2020.

St. Mary's Transit System will continue regular operations until further notice.

St. Mary's County Regional Airport is open under normal operations.

The Airport Advisory Board Meeting scheduled for March 23, 2020 is canceled.

All Senior Activity Centers (Garvey, Loffler and Northern) will be closed beginning Friday, March 13, 2020 until further notice. Senior Information & Assistance appointments will not be conducted in person. Individuals are encouraged to conduct business by phone or email, or to reschedule appointments for a time when Senior Activity Centers have reopened. All programs and activities are canceled. The Patrick Henry LIFE trip on March 20 and the Charles County Churches LIFE trip on March 26 are canceled.

Home-Delivered Meals will continue as regularly scheduled

There will be no congregate meals at Senior Activity Centers, but meals will be provided to New Towne Village and Cedar Lane Senior Living Communities

Department of Recreation and Parks Operations: effective March 13, 2020 9:00 p.m. all recreation programs and facilities are cancelled through March 29, 2020.

All organized practices and games are canceled in St. Mary's County parks through March 29, 2020.

Maryland Day event at the St. Clements Island Museum on March 25, 2020 has been canceled.

The St. Clements Island and Piney Point Lighthouse and Museum will be open during normal operating hours until further notice.

St Marys County Libraries will be closed March 14-29. All library programming and events and are also canceled from March 14-29, 2020. Meeting rooms are also closed. No fines will be levied during library closure period. The Friends of the Library Book Sale scheduled for March 26-29 is canceled. The Library Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for Monday March 16, 2020 is canceled.

The six convenience centers and the St. Andrews Landfill will continue normal operations until

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County business meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2020 has been canceled.

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County Budget Work Session scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2020 has been canceled.

The College of Southern Maryland will move most classes online March 16-22. Spring Break is March 25-29. Classes will resume online March 30 through April 30.

MetCom is open under normal operations.

For more information, please call the community information line at 301-475-4911.

For accurate information on COVID-19 in St. Mary's County, please refer to the County Health Department website www.smchd.org/coronoavirus.

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