



# Press Release

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## **COVID-19 - Chambers County, TX – March 16, 2020**

The following is a summary of current actions that Chambers County is taking to curtail the spread of COVID-19. These actions are being taken upon the recommendations of the CDC and the Chambers County Local Health Authority:

### **County Closures**

- All County-owned rental facilities (community centers, arenas, etc.) are closed until April 28<sup>th</sup>. Parks are currently still open.
- All County libraries will be closed until April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The 344<sup>th</sup> District Court is closed for two-weeks.
- No County Court judicial proceedings until April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- County Solid Waste Permit renewals (dump stickers) are suspended until April 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have a sticker that has expired, you will be allowed to dump. If you need a new sticker you will have to purchase one as normal.

### **Recommendations for the Community**

- Local places of assembly (restaurants, churches, places where people gather) are encouraged to follow current CDC guidance, which recommends not to have gatherings of more than 50 people. This guidance is voluntary at this time.
- The current recommendation is no unnecessary gatherings.
- Persons with chronic respiratory issues, those with compromised immunity, underlying medical conditions, and those 65 years of age or older are encouraged not to visit public places where people gather.

At this time, these actions are necessary to protect the public and prevent the spread of COVID-19. Currently no cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Chambers County. We know this guidance may be inconvenient for many, but is necessary during this very serious situation. Should a case occur within Chambers County, protective actions and recommendations may change.

### **Guidance Links:**

[www.cdc.gov/COVID19](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19)

[www.co.chambers.tx.us/page/coronavirus](http://www.co.chambers.tx.us/page/coronavirus)

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