



# ORO VALLEY CHAMBER

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## Restrictions extended

### OV closing park facilities, waives sign enforcement

Late **Friday afternoon**, the **Town of Oro Valley** extended coronavirus-related **restrictions**, and **added** stipulations that **close** public **playgrounds**, ball **courts**, dog **parks** and **ramadas**.

Additionally, in his [proclamation of emergency](#), **Mayor Joe Winfield** suspended **regulation** of **temporary signs** in areas zoned for **commercial** use. The town will continue to enforce “**sight** distance and **safety** concerns” with temporary signs, **Town Manager Mary Jacobs** said.

**Mayor Winfield** recognizes “local businesses – along with related owners, employees, contractors, landlords and tenants – are **suffering tremendous** negative impacts” because of COVID-19 emergency recommendations and restrictions imposed by **all levels** of government.

The **original** declaration of emergency was scheduled to **end** Tuesday, **March 31**. However, “**new** information ... has necessitated the

### Pima County lengthens mandate to Friday, 4/10

On **Thursday**, the Pima County Board of Supervisors voted to **extend** the term of restrictions for some businesses in unincorporated Pima County to **Friday, April 10**, as part of the board’s effort to **mitigate** the effects of COVID-19 in the community.

The board, using its emergency powers **March 19**, ordered **all restaurants** in the unincorporated County to cease **on-premises dining** but **allowing take-out** service, and closed numerous types of businesses, including **bars**, **bowling alleys**, **yoga studios**, and **gyms** ([click here for a full list](#)). Thursday’s action extends that order to coincide with the term for [school closures set by Gov. Doug Ducey](#). The order would have expired **March 31**.

**Penalties** can apply to businesses that **violate** the order.

“The County Health Department is relying on business owners to **protect** their **employees** and the **public** by **following** these

enacting of continued restrictions for the Town of Oro Valley.”

Friday’s amendment **adds** the closure of “**playgrounds, basketball courts, volleyball courts, fenced dog parks and ramadas**” in town parks as of **8 p.m. Friday, March 27. Homeowners associations** in control of private recreation areas “are **urged** to take **similar** steps to preclude usage” of such facilities “to help **prevent** the **spread** of COVID-19 in the community.”

The proclamation “**strongly urged**” the **temporary** closure of personal hygiene businesses, such as **hair salons, barber shops, nail salons, massage establishments and day spas** in Oro Valley “until such time as other emergency business restrictions are lifted.”

restrictions and help **slow** the spread of COVID-19 in Pima County,” a release said. “The **purpose** of the penalties is to ensure **compliance** in case there are instances of businesses not fully following these **mitigation** efforts.”

Pima County is **closing** all park **ramadas** effective **Monday, March 30.**

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## Flowers bloom, amid the disrupted rhythms of life

**Brittlebush** are in bloom on Oro Valley’s hillsides. Riots of **yellow** flowers, dancing on the wind, pull the restless walker along the path that rims **Naranja Park**. While the flows of life and of work have been blown away, the desert’s rhythms **endure**.

In nearby **Tangerine Terrace**, a chalk artist gives **simple, powerful** direction to a jangled brain.

**Stand Tall**, one panel reads.

**Love Life**, with a heart drawn nearby.

And, in the driveway, **Just Believe**. Just Believe in your God, or in nature, or in the goodness of people, or in your personal faith, or your loved ones. **Just Believe** that this event has a beginning, a middle, and an **end**. We know it has **begun**. We do not know where we are along a uniquely difficult journey. But we know it will **end**. Life may not be the same afterward, but by definition **crises** become **less** critical.

This is a very **tough** moment. All week, we’ve been learning of business **closures** and **layoffs**. Folks on the **front lines**, the hourly **hospitality** and **restaurant** workers, are sustaining the **immediate** hit. We all feel the **pain**. **Federal help** is on the way, for them and for all of us, but it may be **weeks** out. Your **Chamber** and its **Foundation** are taking small steps to **help** those people put food on the table. We will soon ask for **your** help ... and we ask you now to support restaurants with **gift cards, take-out, delivery**, any way you can.

What can you do during times like these?

**Play golf**, if you enjoy the game. **Roxanne Harding**, at Chamber member **EI Conquistador Golf & Tennis**, reports the courses are in **great** shape, the weather’s **beautiful** and the price is **right**. Physical distancing is being practiced; on Thursday, along La Canada, I saw **4 golfers** ... and **4 golf carts**. **The Views Golf Club** and **Oro Valley Country Club** are Chamber members, too;

Don’t **worry** about **sign codes**. Whether it’s Oro Valley or elsewhere, any perceived



minor violations of sign rules are not on **anyone's** enforcement radar. Be **safe, smart** and **respectful** ... but use **banners, A-frames, roadside sign** holders, whatever you fancy to let people know you are **open for business**;

Meet **friends** for a **take-out** dinner. We've been part of and learned of several such parties, where couples **order** at a restaurant, then go to a **nice place** for physically distanced dining. Alas, as of Friday night Oro Valley **park** and **ramada** facilities may be closed. Don't let that **deter** you; even a meal shared in a parking lot is **welcome** these days;

**Take a hike.** Catalina State Park must have had record crowds last weekend. The **flowers** are **magnificent**;

**Give.** Plenty of people need **help**.

Stand Tall. Love Life. Just Believe.



This Week's

## Update

Friday, March 27,  
2020

Go this website for information on Arizona's plans to get through the coronavirus threat: <https://arizonatogether.org/>

[Resources from the Town of OV](#)

[Resources from your Chamber](#)

[Economic Injury Disaster](#)

[Loans](#) from the Small Business Administration

[Open for](#)

## Northwest Healthcare in need of personal protective equipment

As it prepares to respond to more cases of COVID-19 in the region, Chamber Silver member **Northwest Healthcare** is accepting donations of FDA-approved personal protective equipment and supplies.

Needed items are **surgical** masks, **N95 masks** (medical and construction grade), **gloves**, **gowns**, face **shields** and eye **protection**.

"While we have sufficient supplies on hand to treat the patients who are now in our care, we are **increasing** our **resources** so we are prepared for a **surge** in COVID-19 patients," a release said. "We **appreciate** the community's support for all of our caregivers during this time."

To **donate** supplies, please email [1730.NH.Feedback@northwestmedicalcenter.com](mailto:1730.NH.Feedback@northwestmedicalcenter.com) in the Supply Chain department.

## GRFD may need masks, gowns

**Golder Ranch Fire District** needs to buy more **N95** masks, **surgical** masks and **gowns**, it said in a Tuesday email request.

"We are **good** right now," community relations manager **Anne-Marie Braswell** said. "Our normal supply chains are starting to become taxed so we're looking for other **avenues** for **supplies** we may need in the **near future**."

If you can help our **Chamber** Copper member, contact Anne-Marie at [abraswell@grfdaz.gov](mailto:abraswell@grfdaz.gov).

[WalMart associates step up;](#)

**business? Let us know and we'll put you on our [website](#).**

**Check out this [list of member restaurants](#) still doing business!**

**Want to help a local restaurant?**

Buy a gift card. You can do so through the reservation service **Open Table**.

To find your favorite local restaurant, [click here](#).

**Be sure to be counted in Census, April 1**



Census data determines how more than **\$675 billion** are spent for **state, county and local programs and services**, so be sure you are counted **Wednesday, April 1**.

For the first time **ever**, you can take the census **online**. Get all

**OV store needs more workers**

For more than 2 weeks now, associates at **WalMart SuperCenter 3379**, Oro Valley Marketplace, have worked **long and hard** hours to handle the **blitz** of business accompanying the coronavirus threat.

Initially, Store Manager **Tanya Zepeda** admits, everyone was **shocked** by what was happening. Beyond toilet paper, hand sanitizer and laundry products, shoppers bought large volumes of non-perishable foodstuffs every day. It was **hard to keep up**.

Almost **immediately**, though, her team **responded**. It recognized that **adequate** food and household items are “a **comfort** for people, when we’re in a state of panic.

“They’ve been doing a **great job**,” **Zepeda** said of her **260**-person team. “I’ve been super-impressed with the way the whole team is handling it.”

**WalMart is hiring**; in fact, it has put in place expedited hiring practices. It needs as many as **50** temporary workers, and perhaps **more**, to **unload** trucks, **stock** shelves and do what’s **needed**. Temporary work would **likely** last several **months**, at least, and **could convert** into **permanent** positions. **Chronically**, the Oro Valley store has not had a full staff.

People can apply **online [here](#)**, on their mobile devices by texting **jobs** to **240240**, or in **person**.

**IMPACT in need of cash, donations of food, toiletries**

More than ever, Chamber member **IMPACT of Southern Arizona** needs **help** to stabilize **low-income families** and **seniors** with food.

**Groceries** are empty by day’s end, so **little** food is available for pick-ups, and **IMPACT** clients have no **money** to stock their pantries. The Catalina-based nonprofit is feeding more than **1,800** people, and buying fresh food from wholesalers every month. **Layoffs** are taking place, and **more** people are enrolling.

**Donations** are **needed**. For secure **online** donations, visit [www.impactsoaz.org](http://www.impactsoaz.org), or mail a **check** or **money order** to **IMPACT of Southern Arizona, 3535 E. Hawser, Catalina, Az., 85739**. **IMPACT** is also accepting **donations of toiletries** and **food** of any kind at that address.

For those in need, the **IMPACT Food Bank** is open **8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday**.



the details, including ADA accessibility and info for snowbirds and students, [here](#).

**Snowbirds:** your census residency should be wherever you spend a **majority** of the year. If your time is split **equally** between multiple homes, then use the residence you are in on **April 1, 2020**.

### Dream Dinners will make them for you to pick up

Chamber member **Dream Dinners**, Orange Grove and Thornydale, is making meals with **curbside pickup** for its clients.

**Dream Dinners** is **waiving** its “Made for You” service **fee** when guests use a coupon code, **MarchMFY** or **AprilMFY**, on its website.

Dream Dinners has adequate inventory to meet needs. The site can be found [here](#).

### Additional Resources:

Arizona Department of Education – [Guidance to Schools and Families on COVID-19](#)

Arizona Department of Economic Security – [Unemployment Insurance Benefits](#)

Arizona Food Bank Network – [Find a Food Bank Near You](#)

Arizona Department of Health Services –

IMPACT continues to **deliver** food to **homebound** seniors. Other non-essential programs are **closed**.

**IMPACT** is also reminding people that **donations** of up to **\$400** per Arizona resident before **April 15** do qualify for tax credits on **2019 income tax returns**. You can also make an **additional** tax credit donation for your **2020 taxes**. “You will make a **difference** in many peoples' lives by **investing** with us!” **IMPACT** said.

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## CBIZ creates a resource center for business use

Chamber member **CBIZ** has developed a **resource center**, hoping to keep **businesses updated** on the impacts of COVID-19 on their business practices.

“This has become a **popular resource** for our **clients** and we want to **extend** this resource to the **local business** community,” **CBIZ’s Oscar Diaz** said. “Content is added **daily**, and **upgrades** to the functionality are happening **constantly** as well. Because **CBIZ** is a multi-disciplinary company, we are able to provide **employment, HR, benefits, legal** and **tax** implications **guidance** so we are here to **help** during these challenging times.”

The site is <https://www.cbiz.com/insights-resources/covid-19-resource-center>

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## Webinar for employers at noon Monday, 3/30

Chamber member **Farhang & Medcoff** is presenting a **webinar** for **employers** regarding **COVID-19, remote working, layoffs, furloughs** and the **CARES Act** stimulus package this **Monday, March 30**.

**Farhang & Medcoff’s** COVID-19 task force is covering **legal** considerations for employers.

The event is set for noon. To register, [click here](#).

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## OV Eyecare now offering ‘telemed’ appointments

Chamber member **Oro Valley Eyecare** is now offering “**Telemed**” appointments, allowing

## [COVID-19 Response and Guidance](#)

US Housing and Urban Development – [Relief for homeowners](#)

Arizona Department of Housing – [Eviction and Foreclosure Assistance](#)

211arizona – [COVID-19 Resources](#) (or call 2-1-1)

## Thanks for reading



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President & CEO



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Director of Business Development

patients to be seen by a doctor **virtually**, and in the comfort of **home**. All that's needed is a **computer** with a **webcam** and **microphone**, **iPad** or **smartphone** to access the Telemed link. **Telemed** will **not** be used for routine eye exams or refractions, but is an option for **urgent** or eye related medical **evaluations**, an invitation said. "We hope this will be a **convenient** service that you will be able to **benefit** from," an invitation said. "We have already been able to take care of a few patients this week through **Telemed** and have had **positive** experiences and great feedback."

Call **(520) 229-2010** with any **questions** or to schedule a **Telemed** visit.

## One-Stop opens a hotline for dislocated employees

Chamber member **Pima County One-Stop Career Center** has set up a dislocated worker hotline at **520-724-5735** to handle the increase in unemployment due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The hotline opened **Thursday**, and will be staffed from **8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays**. Spanish-speakers will be available to callers. Leave a **message** if the call goes to voice mail, and your call will be **returned** as soon as possible.

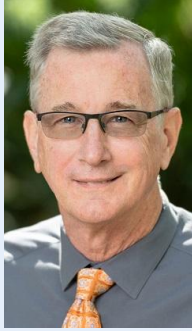
Specifically, the program's workforce development specialists will be able to **refer** job-seekers to **open** job listings that are coming in from One-Stop's business services team and can provide **guidance** on how to **navigate** the [online application](#) for Arizona unemployment **insurance benefits**.

**One-Stop** is also telling callers that due to COVID-19 disruptions:

- [Sun Tran bus service is free](#)
- Arizona governor Doug Ducey issued an executive order [delaying the enforcement of eviction action orders for renters](#) impacted by COVID-19
- [The Pima Community Action Agency](#) has information on local utilities not disconnecting services.

## Mountain View Retirement is in need of items for residents

**Mountain View Retirement Village** is in need



**Duane Macklin**  
Member Services  
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of adult diapers, disinfecting wipes or sprays, toilet paper, “to-go” containers with lids and plastic utensils.

**Residents** at the Magee and La Canada senior community are being served meals in their **rooms** to combat the spread of coronavirus. Employees have **shopped** far and wide for these items. **More are needed.**

“To **give**, simply **pull up** to the front door and our receptionist will be thrilled to accept any **donations** you can help us out with,” a request said.

The Chamber member is in the 2-story building slightly east of La Canada and south of Magee. “**Thank you and be safe!**”

## Here's a way to speak with a health care pro about COVID-19 concerns

Chamber Silver member **Northwest Healthcare** is offering an **easy-to-use screening** option specific to COVID-19.

Individuals with **concerns** or **mild to moderate** symptoms specific to **COVID-19** can use the **VirtualHealthConnect** app to speak with an **experienced** healthcare provider using a **smartphone** or **computer**. Because virtual visits can take place from home, they can help **reduce** the spread of COVID-19 in our community, a release said.

While COVID-19 **cannot** be **diagnosed** through a virtual visit, doctors can **evaluate** symptoms such as **fever, cough** and **shortness** of breath, discuss **known** risk factors, and answer **questions**. If testing is **indicated**, a **referral** can be **provided** to the right location for an in-person visit. Virtual visits are **\$40** and **not** covered by **insurance**. Visit

<https://www.healthiertucson.com/virtual-visits>

for information about how to **download** and use the **VirtualHealthConnect** app.

Frequently asked questions are also provided.

## Give blood at Golder Ranch Fire District on Tuesday, April 7

Chamber Copper member the **Golder Ranch Fire District** is hosting the American Red Cross Bloodmobile for a **blood drive Tuesday, April 7, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

The **Bloodmobile** will be located in the parking

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lot of **Golder Ranch Fire District Station 380**, located at **1175 W. Magee Rd.**

It's never been more important to donate blood than now, the American Red Cross emphasizes.

Appointments are **required**. Donors will need to bring **photo** identification, a **blood donor card** or **two** other forms of identification. To **schedule your appointment** or get more **information** please call **1-800- RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)** or visit the Red Cross [website](#) and use Sponsor Code: **grfdaz**.

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## What better time than now to write a personal journal?

There's no better time to protect your **brain health**. To do so, suggests Chamber Copper member **Splendido at Rancho Vistoso**, "keep a journal.

"Writing **regularly** in a journal was linked with a **53% reduction** in dementia risk," **Splendido** parent Mather Lifeways said in its **#agewell** tip. "And for even more benefits, challenge yourself to include a high percentage of words six letters or more."

**Splendido at Rancho Vistoso** is building new villa homes on its Oro Valley campus. For details, go to [splendidotucson.com](http://splendidotucson.com).



# 2020 Census Infogram

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MARCH 24, 2020

## Coming Your Way Every Tuesday

The 2020 Census is underway and households across America are responding every day. In light of recent developments, the U.S. Census Bureau has adjusted 2020 Census operations.

### STATUS OF CURRENT OPERATIONS

Activity/Operation	Planned Schedule	Adjustment	Revised Schedule
Self-Response Phase (online, phone, mail)	March 12-July 31	Extended	March 12-August 14
Update Leave	March 15-April 17	Delayed	March 29-May 1
Update Enumerate	March 16-April 30	Suspended and extended	March 16-May 14
Mobile Questionnaire Assistance	March 30-July 31	Delayed	April 13-August 14
Early Nonresponse Followup (NRFU)	April 9-July 31	Delayed	May 7-August 14
Nonresponse Followup (NRFU) and NRFU Reinterview	May 13-July 31	Delayed	May 28-August 14
Group Quarters Enumeration	April 2-June 5	Delayed	April 16-June 19
Service-Based Enumeration	March 30-April 1	Delayed	April 29-May 1
Census counts people experiencing homelessness outdoors	April 1	Delayed	May 1
Enumeration of Transitory Locations	April 9-May 4	Delayed	April 23-May 18
Deliver apportionment counts to the President	By December 31	On schedule	By December 31
Deliver redistricting counts to states	By April 1, 2021	On schedule	By April 1, 2021

### Counting College Students

We are adjusting operations to make sure college students are counted.

- College students living in on-campus housing are counted through their university as part of our Group Quarters Operation, which counts all students living in university owned housing. In addition to college dormitories, the Group Quarters Operation also includes places like nursing homes, group homes, halfway houses and prisons.
- During our recent 2020 Census Group Quarters Advance Contact operation we contacted college/university student housing administrators to get their input on the enumeration methods that will allow students to participate in the 2020 Census.

Watch: [Video about College Students](#)

### Denver Region Response Rates (as of March 24, 2020)

Arizona	23.5%
Colorado	24.1%
Kansas	27.9%
Montana	17.3%
Nebraska	30.2%
New Mexico	17.1%
North Dakota	23.2%
Oklahoma	21.5%
South Dakota	25.6%
Texas	19.9%
Utah	25.4%
Wyoming	17.7%
National	23.6%

### Current Ads Running

**Stuck at Home?**

It has never been easier to respond to the census on your own. You can respond:

- Online
- By phone
- Or by mail

...all without having to meet a census taker.

Respond today at [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov) or call **844-330-2020**

Shape your future. Start here. **2020 Census**

### Helpful Links

- [2020 Census Response Rate map](#)
  - [Dallas RCC Coronavirus Information Hub](#)
  - [Fact Sheet: 2020 Census Operational Adjustments Due to COVID-19 \(Long Version\)](#)
  - [Census Field Operations Suspended Until April 1](#)
  - [2020 Census FAQ](#)
  - [Census Newsroom](#)
  - [Statistics in Schools](#)
  - [Video about College Students](#)
  - [Census YouTube Channel](#)
- Follow the Census at @uscensus.gov

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### Get Out the Count Video Prize Challenge

Explain why the census matters in a short (30 seconds to 3 minutes) video, designed for a platform such as YouTube, that uses entertainment, emotion, creativity, and/or humor to motivate people to respond. Prizes will be allocated as follows:

- \$30,000 for a grand prize winner
- \$10,000 for a runner-up
- \$10,000 for a student prize

View the full eligibility rules on [challenge.gov](#).

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