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Stuff to Do at Home

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Dear Friends,

The Santa Clara County Library District has expanded free online library services and programs to help residents access resources during the Shelter in Place Order.

Visit scclld.org to be connected to activities and programs for children and teens as well as help for adults in finding jobs.

Be sure to check out [Storytime Online](#) for a schedule of story times and songs from your local librarians, including bilingual offerings. They're all streamed on Facebook Live (@SCCLD).

SCCLD has teamed up with SCORE to host a virtual workshop series on how to start your own business. Sessions will be from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays in May. Registration is required. Another online tool for job seekers is JobNow, which offers free live resume and cover letter assistance and skill matching to identify different career options based on skill sets.

SCCLD also offers free resources for students who are distance learning from home. Brainfuse HelpNow provides homework and writing assistance and live one-on-one tutoring in a wide variety of subjects. The Library has study resources for students of all ages, including adult learners.

And, of course, the traditional regular library services are available 24/7, providing eBooks, Digital Magazines and Newspapers, Streaming Video and Music, Online Classes and Tutors and more.

COVID-19 Update in Santa Clara County

As of today, there are 2,341 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the County. There have been 128 COVID-associated deaths in the County. (Please refer to the [Data Dashboards](#) for detailed County information.) There are 4.17 million confirmed COVID-19 cases worldwide and 1.35 million confirmed cases in the United States. At least 285,000 people have died with COVID-19 globally, including 80,000 in the United States.

TONIGHT --Discussion with Congressman Ro Khanna and NAACP

Join me and Congressman Ro Khanna from 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12, for a virtual discussion with the San Jose/Silicon Valley NAACP regarding COVID-19 and its

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COVID-19 and Its Impact on the African American Community


Tuesday, May 12 | 6:00PM-7:00PM

Join the Discussion at this Link:
[tinyurl.com/SVNAACP](https://www.tinyurl.com/SVNAACP)


Meeting ID: 811 8244 5488
 Password: 917325



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impact on the African American Community.

To access the virtual event, visit www.tinyurl.com/SVNAACP and enter the password 917325. We will be joined by special guests including our frontline healthcare heroes.

Updated Guidance from the County EOC

The County Emergency Operations Centers has updated guidance and information on a number of areas that effect residents and business.

Agricultural Industry Guidance: Information in multiple languages has been sent out to agricultural operators in the County via the Farm Bureau. Guidance includes a [letter](#) from the Consumer and Environmental Protection Agency outlining the effects of the Order on the agricultural industry and a list of [safety measures](#) for agricultural industry workers and worker housing.

Essential Workers: Updated guidance includes topics such as how to protect oneself when going to work, while at work, and after one gets home from work. It also explains what to do when home with one's family and how to plan for the possibility of falling ill.

Graduation: Joint guidance from the County Office of Education and the Public Health Department describes options for students to be recognized and receive a diploma/certificate at school campuses.

Contact Tracing: A new, dedicated webpage explains what contact tracing is, why it is important, what the County is doing to expand its efforts in this area, and opportunities to assist the County with this important work.

Special Hearing on Coronavirus Testing

The County of Santa Clara Health and Hospital Committee is holding a special hearing at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 14, about the current status and future development of coronavirus testing in Santa Clara County. The hearing will happen on [Zoom](#) (link goes live when the meeting starts). More information is available [here](#).

The hearing will include a panel discussion relating to the medical and clinical aspects of Coronavirus testing, including discussion regarding the epidemiological and economic necessities/benefits of widespread testing.

Another panel will focus on operational aspects of Coronavirus testing, including strategies for increasing testing capacity, availability, and access for residents of Santa

Clara County. The discussion will also include the practical or logistical challenges that may exist and the economic impact of increased testing.

Grant Opportunities for Nonprofits

Destination: Home released a Request for Qualifications to identify qualified nonprofit organizations to provide direct financial assistance to vulnerable and hard to reach extremely low-income households in Santa Clara County who are experiencing additional economic hardship due to COVID-19.

Qualified organizations will be eligible to receive support ranging from \$10,000 to \$40,000 to directly enroll and distribute assistance to vulnerable families and individuals. Submissions are due by 5 p.m. on May 15, 2020. For more information about eligibility and requirements, download a PDF the full [RFQ](#).

SLAM Youth Conference Starts This Week

The Sports, Leadership, Arts & Media (SLAM) [Youth Conference](#) is a free virtual conference open to all high school youth from 13 to 18 years of age. Youth will have a chance to explore the sports industry, leadership development, the arts and media world. This conference will include three workshops in May along with six keynote performances by local Bay Area musicians.

The Virtual SLAM Youth Conference is brought to you by AACI Youth Programs [AMPLIFY](#) and [Santa Clara County Friday Night Live](#). The conference runs from May 14-29. Workshops are held Thursdays at 3 p.m., and performances are Fridays at 5 p.m. All youth interested in this free opportunity can RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/slamyouth>.

Courts Expanding Court Operations in May

This month, the Santa Clara County Superior Court [announced](#) it will be adding additional judicial proceedings to its current limited operations. The Court has updated its [Judicial Proceedings / Court Hearings](#) information to reflect the addition of these new calendars in Civil, Criminal, Family, and Juvenile divisions. Information regarding changes to court operations will be updated frequently on the [Changes to Court Operations](#) section of their website. The Public Health Department will also continue to consult with the Courts to make their local operations as safe as possible. For more information, visit the Court's [COVID-19 Response Page](#).

Silicon Valley Strong Grants for Small Businesses

The [Silicon Valley Strong](#) Small Business Grant Program will accept applications through Sunday, May 17 at 11:59 p.m. The grant program will provide working capital grants of \$10,000 to 142 eligible small businesses in San Jose that have suffered financial loss due to the COVID-19 crisis.

The grant can be used for payroll, rent, and other overhead costs. [The Opportunity Fund](#), a Non-Profit Financial Institution, will be responsible for managing the fund. Due to the short deadline to apply, this is an online application process only. Please read through the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) on the Opportunity Fund website, before you [apply](#).

Please don't hesitate to call my office to ask questions or express your concerns during this challenging time. You can call 408-299-5030, email me at dave.cortese@bos.sccgov.org or visit my website at supervisorcortese.org.

Stay safe,



Dave Cortese
County Supervisor, Third District



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