Dear Friends,

The County has unveiled a new Dashboard layout for COVID-19 data to provide more information, including charts, to help us navigate through the numbers that are compiled every day.

At the top of the page, the redesigned site provides a snapshot of new cases, new deaths and new hospitalized patients with COVID-19. Then, the viewer can dive deeper into the details on separate pages, including cases broken down by city and zip code.

The new testing dashboard accounts for the number of total tests as opposed to just the number of individuals tested. The redesigned hospital dashboard will now provide data on hospitalized patients from internal polling and not from the California Department of Public Health. Hospital counts now separate COVID-19 positive cases from suspected cases. Numbers on a screen don’t tell the whole story, but keeping track of who is becoming infected and where they live is the most important tool we have to stop the virus from spreading. And it’s important that this data be available to the public.

For example, an analysis of the numbers drew attention to the County Public Health Department that residents who live in four zip codes in East San Jose and an area in Gilroy were becoming infected at a higher rate than residents of other neighborhoods. The County placed more testing sites in these areas and, at my request, is stepping up direct communications to families who need to know what to do to fight COVID-19 and where they can be tested.

In counties across the state, when numbers go up, public health officials try to determine the cause and remind residents to follow the Shelter in Place guidelines. State data can be found at covid19.ca.gov.

Let’s never forget that behind each number is a person, a family, and a community. That’s why we continue to practice physical distancing, wear face coverings, stay home as much as we can and wash our hands.

When people say we’re all in this together, it’s not a cliché. What we do in our neighborhoods has an impact on all neighborhoods. Keeping the virus from spreading everywhere will help our fellow community members, many of whom are on the frontlines as essential workers.

**County Coronavirus Dashboards Update**

As of Monday, there were 4,265 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the County and 156 deaths. There are currently 78 people hospitalized in the County who are confirmed to have COVID-19. So far, 180,134 people in Santa Clara County have been tested, with a 2.6% positive rate. The dashboards are updated daily.
Statewide, as of Thursday, there were 216,550 cases, and 5,936 deaths; 4.7 million have been tested, with an average 5.5% positive rate over the past 14 days. For more statewide data, click here.

In the U.S. there are 2.6 million cases, with 128,103 deaths.

Globally, 10.3 million cases and 505,518 deaths.

**Join My Webinar on Wildfire Protection**

Learn about how to protect your home and your family from wildfire at a webinar I am hosting with State Assemblymember Evan Low and the Santa Clara County Fire Department.

The webinar will be from 5 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 2, and you can register at this link: tinyurl.com/scwildfire.

**New Free Mobile Testing Sites Open This Week**

Free COVID-19 diagnostic tests are available at these locations starting from Tuesday, June 30, through Thursday, July 2. No appointments are necessary. Click here for a list of all the testing sites in Santa Clara County.

- Vietnamese American Community Center, **2072 Lucretia Ave, San Jose**, 1 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- Silver Creek High School, **3434 Silver Creek Road, San Jose**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- Murphy Park, **194 N. Sunnyvale Ave., Sunnyvale**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday.
- Roots Clinic at Antioch Baptist Church, **268 East Julian Street, San Jose**, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday.

**Town Halls on Saturday in July**

The Saturday Town Halls on COVID-19 will take a break on Saturday, July 4, and then resume on July 11.

If you missed the June 27 Town Hall with our special guest, James Williams, County Counsel, you can watch it on my Facebook page: davecortesegov.

Thank you to all of you who called in, texted or posted questions during the hourlong Town Hall. If your questions weren’t answered, please call my office at 408-299-5030.
D3 Website Hosts COVID-19 Resources and Updates

My website hosts a dedicated section, updated regularly, that is focused on COVID-19. Here, you can view all of our previous newsletters, recordings of our town halls, and learn about resources and recommendations around the current public health emergency. We hope you, your family and friends find this information useful during this time.

D3 COVID-19 Informational Flyer

My staff and I have been working hard to supply the public with as many resources and as much knowledge as possible. These resources are vital to many, but reaching everyone who may need them is difficult. Please partner with me in getting the word out by sharing our COVID-19 Informational Flyer with your neighbors, family and friends. Together, we can ensure that every family has access to the help they need to stay healthy and safe during this pandemic.

As always, you can reach my office at 408-299-5030, email me at dave.cortese@bos.sccgov.org or visit the District 3 webpage at supervisorcortese.org.

Stay safe,

Dave Cortese
County Supervisor, Third District

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