



TOWN OF WICKENBURG

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“Our community always comes together in a time of need and I am confident this event will be no different. These are unprecedented times, the information changes every hour. We must remain calm and make decisions based on facts from credible sources.”

~ Mayor Rui Pereira

Today Mayor Pereira signed a Proclamation Declaration of Local Emergency for the Town of Wickenburg. The purpose of this proclamation is to allow a rapid response to maintain continuity of government during these uncertain times. This proclamation reinforces that we will follow Federal, State and County guidelines for the safety of our community.

The Town of Wickenburg strives to provide a clean, safe and vibrant western community for the benefit of all. During this swiftly evolving “COVID 19”, the management team has put the following measures into place, effective immediately.

Town Management

The Town will continue to follow declared orders and the recommendations from government public health agencies.

The Town will continue to hold board and commission meetings on a needs and necessity basis. All meetings will follow the recommendations relating to mass gatherings from public health agencies.

Regular Council Meetings will continue through technological access in order to serve the public purpose of assisting with the minimization of the potential spread of COVID-19. Council members will participate in the meeting via telephone, as authorized by A.R.S. Section 38-431(4), or in-person, in the Town Hall Council Chambers. A public audience will not be allowed to attend in-person.

The Town Council will not hear public comments at the meeting other than for the limited purpose of allowing public comment on public hearing items, if applicable. Call in procedures will be posted on the agenda in accordance with state law.

Members of the public may attend by watching Channel 11, Town Facebook Live or Wickenburg Sun Facebook Live. As always, recordings are made available.

Public Library

Effective Wednesday, March 18, 2020, the library will be closed until further notice.

Parks & Recreation

At this time Town parks will remain open to the public, however; the restrooms will be closed.

All Parks & Recreation classes and programs have been suspended; this includes facility rentals and scheduled events that have a gathering of 10 or more people. If you have individual questions regarding a previously scheduled event or facility rental, contact Pamela Green at pgreen@wickenburgaz.org.

All public events, with a gathering of 10 or more people, are currently postponed or canceled.

Public Safety

All public outreach events and programs such as Explorer's, Coffee with a Cop and public fingerprinting, have been suspended.

At this time, only citizens experiencing an emergency health situation will be permitted in the Fire Station. All other service requests will be scheduled at a later date or referred to the appropriate agency.

The Town's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has opened to closely monitor Town personnel, daily operations and public interest activities. Daily Incident Action Plans are developed. Public Safety personnel are in contact with the Maricopa County Department of Emergency Management 24/7 through the EOC.

We continue to encourage the Wickenburg Community to continue to take everyday precautions to prevent illness, including colds and flu.

If you'd like additional information, please utilize the following sources:

Wickenburg Community Hospital:

<https://www.wickhosp.com/coronavirus-public-health-education-and-infection-prevention/>

Maricopa County Dept of Health:

<https://www.maricopa.gov/5460/Coronavirus-Disease-2019>

Arizona Dept of Health:

<https://azdhs.gov/>

Center for Disease Control:

<https://www.cdc.gov/>

If you need help in identifying resources throughout the Town, please feel free to contact the Town of Wickenburg at 928-684-5451. We can also be reached through Facebook and other Social Media outlets as well as our web page, <https://www.ci.wickenburg.az.us/>.