

DISTRICT F DISPATCH

Commissioner Justin Jones' Newsletter



The past six weeks have been challenging for so many in our community, with thousands suffering the health effects of COVID-19 and tens of thousands out of work. Health care professionals, first responders, and grocery store workers are laboring under difficult circumstances to keep us safe and healthy. As we begin the process of reopening the economy, there will surely be more struggles ahead. But our community is resilient and will overcome these dark days. We'll show the world that we are, once again, #VegasStrong!

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Governor Sisolak Unveils Roadmap to Recovery *Most Businesses Can Reopen by May 15th, County to Play Key Role*

On April 30th, Governor Steve Sisolak unveiled his "Nevada United Roadmap to Recovery," a phased plan for reopening Nevada's economy as we continue to fight the COVID-19 pandemic. The core guiding principle of the Governor's plan is that the Nevada's efforts should be "federally supported, state managed, and locally executed." As part of the plan, the Clark County Commission will play a central role in collaborating with the Governor on how and when to phase in reopening.

CURRENT PHASE: Stay Home for Nevada

Summary: Implement aggressive community mitigation, increase access to diagnostic testing, increase public health and medical system capacities.

Potential Duration: Eased flexibility for recreation, retail establishments, and church services, likely lasting through May 15, 2020.



PHASE 1: Battle Born Beginning

Summary: May open 1) outdoor spaces, 2) small businesses, and 3) select retail, under strict social distancing measures, hygiene, and occupancy controls. No social events or public gatherings over 10. Strongly encourage improvised face coverings use by all.

Potential Duration: Anticipated evaluation period based upon metrics for an estimated 2-3 weeks.

PHASE 2: Silver State Stabilization

Summary: Broader opening of Commerce/Retail, services, and public life under extremely strict social distancing measures, hygiene, and occupancy controls.

Potential Duration: Minimum of 2-3 weeks needed to assess and evaluate data and trends throughout phase.

Additional phases of the Roadmap to Recovery plan will focus on limiting additional outbreaks of COVID-19 and longer-term economic recovery efforts.

A graphic featuring a red cloth face covering with a white elastic band, set against a background of blue and orange waves. In the top left corner are the Nevada state seal and the "NEVADA HEALTH RESPONSE" logo.

FACE COVERINGS HELP PREVENT SPREAD

While there is no consensus if masks can reduce individuals' risk for contracting COVID-19, it is well established that even improvised homemade face coverings can control and reduce the spread of the virus from infected individuals.

Since transmissions may occur prior to the development of symptoms, face coverings can serve as a source of control for an individual who may be infected, but there are no substitutes for handwashing and aggressive social distancing. For more information, visit NVHealthResponse.nv.gov.



Commissioner Jones Serves Health Care Workers, Food Bank

During the COVID-19 crisis, Commissioner Jones has been active serving those on the front lines, as well as those most in need. Jones joined Senator Marilyn Dondero Loop and Assemblyman Steve Yeager to deliver Capriotti's sandwiches to health care workers at 11 UMC facilities across the valley. Jones has also supported the Vegas Community Pantry, run by District F resident Annette Magnus out of her garage, with donations of food and supplies, as well as making deliveries to needy families.



Resources for Businesses



Clark County Business License/ Econ. Development

Our County Business License and Economic Development teams are working hard to ensure businesses can reopen quickly and safely, including waiving fees and penalties during the COVID-19 emergency. Please visit <https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/covid19/Pages/Doing-Business-During-Coronavirus.aspx> for more info.



Nevada Business Information Network

The Nevada Business Information Network is a collaboration of business, industry, trade and economic development organizations working together to share information and provide resources to Nevada businesses. Please visit <https://www.lvgea.org/covid19/> for more info.



Small Business Administration Nevada Office

Nevada's SBA office is working closely with businesses to apply for and troubleshoot federal COVID-19 relief loans. Please visit <https://www.sba.gov/offices/district/nv/las-vegas> for more info.

Have You Been Counted?

Census Critical to Ensure Nevada Gets Its Fair Share

Every ten years, the U.S. Census counts on our responses to a short questionnaire to calculate the distribution of federal funds to states. Every year, the federal government allocates more than **\$600 billion** to states based on these Census figures. This funding supports our schools, housing, health care and transportation services here in Southern Nevada.

For example, right now, the federal government is doling out billions of dollars in disaster relief and other funds to states due to the COVID-19 outbreak based on data from the 2010 Census. **A one percent undercount of our Nevada residents could cost us more than \$17 million in funding every year.**

WHO GETS COUNTED?

Everyone! That's right, every person who was living in the U.S. as of April 1st gets counted as part of the Census. So whether you were born and raised in Nevada, or you're from another country, if you are living in Nevada now, you are counted on the Census. And don't forget the kids – they get counted too!



HOW DO YOU GET COUNTED?

In 2020, for the first time ever, the Census is available online. It's only 9 questions and you can fill it out for you and your family in less than 10 minutes. More than 50% of Nevadans have already filled out their census forms online. So grab your laptop or phone and go to <https://2020census.gov/> and get counted so Nevada gets its fair share!

Commissioner Jones Speaks to KSNV About Importance of Participating in the Census

