



## News from Livingston County, NY

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### **Livingston County Officials Taking Precautions amid COVID-19**

**Geneseo, NY, March 12, 2020** — Livingston County officials are taking precautionary measures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Livingston County Administrator Ian M. Coyle stated, “We are exercising caution and taking preventative actions to harden our defenses to the virus and its promotion and spread – with an acute focus on the potential impacts to our most vulnerable populations.” He would like to stress to residents that these measures are preventative and that Livingston County has yet to experience a positive case of the virus.

“By all accounts, the question is ‘when’ not ‘if’ we will see the spread of COVID-19 into the geographic borders of the County,” Coyle said. He continued, “We will be focused on containment and mitigation strategies when that happens. For now, we will remain vigilant and prepared. We are focused on getting public information to our residents; promoting hand-washing and social distancing; and, finally and importantly, stressing the adherence to Health Department guidelines on treatment should symptoms arise.”

Please note the following changes to Livingston County operations, which are effective until further notice:

- In line with the Governor’s directive today, all visits to the *Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation*, located on Murray Hill Drive in Mount Morris, are prohibited starting at 4PM on Thursday, March 12, 2020. In the event that a loved one has an acute condition and is nearing end of life, visitation will be individually approved.

- Effective immediately, all inmate visitations and non-essential service related contact visits at the Livingston County Jail on Court Street in Geneseo are cancelled amid the growing number of COVID-19 cases throughout New York State and globally.
- The Office for the Aging (OFA) will suspend its senior nutrition program at the following congregate dining sites beginning on Monday, March 16, 2020:
  - Avon Senior Nutrition Program, Village Building, 74 Genesee Street, Avon
  - Dansville Senior Nutrition Program, Dansville United Methodist Church, 5 Chestnut Avenue, Dansville
  - Mount Morris Senior Nutrition Program, Boyd & Parker VFW Post 547, 3 Elm Street, Mount Morris
  - Wildbriar Estates, 17 Wildbriar Drive, Livonia

The OFA Nutrition staff will continue to serve its home delivered meal clients. In addition, they will be delivering meals to any congregate site participants that need them and keeping in contact with them throughout the period of suspended operation.

Coyle stated, "County government will continue to function. For now, we are opting to err on the side of caution by implementing preventative measures in an attempt to curb the spread of COVID-19 in our region. In the interim, it is important for residents not to panic. We encourage everyone to use caution, stay informed, and take care of themselves and their loved ones."

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