Fairfax City ReConnected

Business Reopening
Resources and Guidance

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- Grant
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- Pledge
- Outdoor Dining
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**Grant**

- Program funded through allocations of CAREs Act.
- Awards will between $5,000 and $10,000.
- Provide assistance throughout the *ReConnected* period.
- Support efforts to transform businesses responding to COVID-19 closures and reopening.
- Applications and more details available in late June.
- Eligible expenses reimbursed after qualified businesses enter into an agreement with the EDA.
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State Guidelines

COVID-19 Guidance
Brick and Mortar Retail

Virginia Department of Health Requirements
The Governor has established prioritized guidelines for the opening of retail businesses. Phase I allows certain retail businesses to reopen.

COVID-19 Guidance
Fitness and Exercise Facilities

Virginia Department of Health Requirements
Fitness and exercise facilities, including Phase I fitness centers, offer fitness and exercise services. These may be used for outdoor activities and should be scheduled to ensure a safe and healthy environment. Visitors are encouraged to wear face coverings whenever possible, and to wash their hands frequently.

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Signage

**DO YOUR PART**
KEEP 6 FEET APART

**FACE COVERINGS**
Customers are required to wear face coverings at all times.

**HAVE A FEVER? OR COVID-19 SYMPTOMS?**
No one with a fever or symptoms of COVID-19, or known exposure to a COVID-19 case in the prior 14 days is permitted in the establishment.

WELCOME

MANDATORY WHEN ENTERING
- Everyone must wear a face covering.
- A minimum of 6ft distance from others.

DO NOT ENTER IF YOU...
- Have traveled in the past 14 days.
- Been in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- Are in a 14-day period of self-isolation.
- Have a fever.
- Have a cough.
- Have shortness of breath.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Do not touch your face.
- Keep your distance.

IF QUESTIONS CONTACT
EDOCOVId19@fairfaxva.gov
Fairfax City ReConnected Pledge

- Requiring use of face coverings
- Communicating safety protocols and training with managers and staff
- Working only when healthy
- Promoting social distancing and limited capacity
- Cleaning and disinfecting frequently
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Outdoors (FCRO) – Outdoor Dining Key Objectives

1. Streamlined process with regulatory flexibility
2. Ensure health & safety guidelines for staff and customers
3. Support Fairfax City restaurants
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FCRO – Types of Outdoor Dining

- **Parking Lots**
- **Expansion of Existing Outdoor Seating**
- **Use of Parking Lanes**
- **Use of Sidewalks**
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FCRO – Application & Approval Process

- Only required for new and/or expanding outdoor dining areas.
- FCRO website for process, guidelines, and downloadable fillable PDF
- **NO FEES ASSOCIATED WITH PERMIT**

1. Application

2. Guidelines & Attachments
   - **MUST** abide by all Virginia Department of Health and Virginia ABC requirements
   - Read FCRO’s guidelines and requirements
   - Attach diagram of proposed outdoor dining area, letter from property manager (if applicable), and copy of certificate of insurance (if applicable)

3. Submission
   - Email completed application to EDOCovid19@fairfaxva.gov
   - Incomplete applications will be returned

4. Approval
   - FCRO program manager will notify you once approved
   - COVID-19 temporary outdoor dining permit will be emailed
   - Letter for VABC will be provided
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FCRO – Code Compliance

- Egress for outdoor dining area and restaurant building (if adjacent) exists and are continuously free from obstructions
- ADA requirements maintained
- Walkways and sidewalks used by the public are maintained
- Fire and emergency vehicle access roads are unobstructed
- Adequate vehicle impact protection (subject to vehicle movement)
- Lighting is properly supported; power cords adequately sized and protected
- Tables and chairs spaced a minimum of 6ft apart
- Tents
  - Commercial grade
  - Structurally sound
  - Anchored to prevent movement during inclement weather
- No cooking, warming, or other open flame devices
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Communication Channels

Dedicated Online Sites:
• fairfaxcityconnected.com/COVID19
• fairfaxcityconnected.com/reconnected

COVID-19 Resource Roundup

Social Media:
• @fairfaxcityeda
  • Facebook & Instagram
• @fairfaxcity_eda
  • Twitter
Free face coverings.
While supplies last.

“Grab & Go” banners for restaurants.

“We’re Open” banners for other business sectors.

COVID-19 Business Chats Series.
Fairfax City Resources

- Fairfax City ReConnected
  - Grant
  - Outdoors
    - Application
      - Email EDOCOVID19@fairfaxva.gov
  - Pledge
  - State Guidelines
  - Signage
- Fairfax City COVID-19 Hub
- Business Bulletin email
- Social Media Channels
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
- Business Support Programs (email Economic Development at EconomicDevelopment@fairfaxva.gov)
  - Face Coverings
  - Grab & Go Banners
  - Yes, We’re Open Banners
Safely Reopening and Operating Facilities in a COVID-19 Environment

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Overview

• This presentation describes approaches to protect your workforce, facilities and customers

• Because each facility is different, knowing how the virus spreads allows you to best come up with approaches that are feasible and effective in your setting

• There still is a lot we don’t know so stay informed as science and experience expand
Overview of Health Department Response

• Incident Management Team activated 1/21/20
• Redeployment of 400 Health Department staff
  • Call center
  • Case and Contact Investigation Teams
  • Rapid Response and Prevention Teams
  • Point Prevalence Survey Team
• Laboratory Services
• Community Outreach
• Medical Reserve Corps
Forward Virginia - Criteria for Easing Restrictions

- Downward trend of percentage of positive test results over a period of 14 days
- Downward trend of hospitalizations over a period of 14 days
- Sufficient hospital beds and intensive care capacity
- Increasing and sustainable supply of personal protective equipment such as masks, respirators, gloves and gowns
- Increased testing and contact tracing
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<td>Restaurants and Beverage Services</td>
<td>Takeout and delivery; outdoor seating at 50 percent capacity</td>
<td>Indoor and outdoor seating at 50 percent capacity</td>
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<td>Recreation and Entertainment Venues</td>
<td>Closed</td>
<td>Low-contact indoor and outdoor open; high-contact closed</td>
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<td>Fitness and Exercise</td>
<td>Closed (limited to outdoor fitness classes)</td>
<td>Open with 30 percent capacity</td>
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<td>Beaches</td>
<td>Exercise and fishing only</td>
<td>Open</td>
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<td>Gatherings</td>
<td>10-person limit</td>
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<td>Teleworking</td>
<td>Strongly encouraged</td>
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<td>Face Coverings</td>
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<td>Childcare</td>
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Executive Order 63 - Face Coverings

- Effective May 29th
- Patrons 10 years and older
- Required while entering, exiting, or traveling through business settings
- Required for essential retail employees when working in customer facing areas
- Exceptions
  - Eating or drinking
  - Difficulty breathing; medical conditions
  - Exercising or using exercise equipment
- Compliance or Enforcement Questions?
  Call 877-ASK-VDH3
What steps can employers take to reduce the risk of COVID-19 being introduced into and spreading at a workplace?
Protecting Workplaces when They Reopen: Key Points

1. There is no such thing as a fully protected “open” workplace (i.e., you’re not alone on an island)

2. Risk in the workplace depends, in part, on what happens in the community – are people maintaining social distancing, wearing face covers, etc.?

3. Modifications of the workplace can significantly increase safety – but it takes more than counting on good infection prevention behaviors by workers and the public

4. A layered approach will be most effective
CDC COVID-19 Site for Businesses

Businesses and Workplaces

Plan, Prepare, and Respond

Other Languages  Print Page

Ongoing Mitigation Guidance

Guidance to plan, prepare, and respond to COVID-19

Businesses and employers
Small businesses and employees
General business FAQs
Guidance for meat and poultry processors

Prevention and Support

Cleaning and disinfecting
Possible exposure of critical workers
Preventive steps for grocery and food retail workers
Cleaning and disinfecting public spaces: everyday steps and when someone is sick
Strategies for respirator shortages in non-healthcare sectors

Fairfax County COVID-19 Site for Businesses

https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/covid19/information-businesses-impacted-coronavirus
Layer 1: Reducing Risk of Infected Persons Entering the Facility

- The public
  - Include messages on your website and phone about COVID-19 precautions at your facility
  - Post signs: 1) advise people who are sick to not visit; 2) remind people of good infection prevention behaviors
  - Limit number of people in the facility at any time
- Employees
  - Remind and **enable** workers who are sick to stay home (and if positive, follow organization’s return to work guidelines)
  - Remind workers about infection prevention behaviors that should be used all the time – at home, in the community and at work
  - Check temperatures at entry to work and send staff email reminders
Layer 2: Modify the Workplace to Reduce Risk of COVID-19

“Hierarchy of Controls”

- **Engineering controls**
  - Eliminate hazards
  - Implement safe processes
- **Administrative controls**
  - Enable and support risk reducing behaviors
- **Safe work practices**
  - Adopt protective practices
Workplace modification: “Engineering Controls” (1)

- Throughout the facility, apply knowledge of how the virus spreads to guide modifications
  - Respiratory droplets $\rightarrow$ install plastic barriers, increase ventilation air exchanges
  - Contaminated surfaces $\rightarrow$ increase disinfection of frequently touched surfaces
  - Identify higher risk areas and make changes specific to that setting
Workplace modification: “Engineering Controls” (2)

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| Check out lines      | • Close some registers to socially distance staff  
                        • Mark 6 feet distance between people in line  
                        • Install barriers to protect cashier  
                        • Have hand sanitizer for staff & customer use  
                        • Encourage cashless payment |
| Bathrooms            | • Post handwashing signs  
                        • Implement more frequent disinfection |
| Staff break rooms    | • Post signage  
                        • Remove chairs to increase social distancing  
                        • Use visible markers (sticky dots) where to sit (6 ft apart)  
                        • Implement more frequent disinfection |
Workplace Modification: “Administrative Controls” and “PPE”

• **Administrative controls**
  • Encourage workers to avoid public transportation and car pooling if possible
  • Restock at night when customers are not present
  • Stagger shifts and break times
  • Provide paid sick (and quarantine) leave
  • Screen workers for fever

• **Safe work practices and PPE**
  • Provide & encourage use of cloth face coverings
  • Educate & support workers on infection prevention measures
Conclusions

- Risk at facilities is a result of what is done to mitigate disease spread in families, communities and the workplace

- Implementing layered interventions using a Hierarchy of Controls strategy can significantly improve facility safety for workers and customers

- With most of the population susceptible and ongoing transmission of COVID-19 in communities, maintaining protective measures is the “new normal” and remains critical to mitigate disease
The Future of the Pandemic

• We are still learning
  • New clinical syndrome - Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C)
  • Research into new treatment and vaccines
• Upcoming course of the pandemic in Fairfax County is unclear
  • Will continued protective behaviors and the impact of public health interventions offset the additional exposures that occur with reopening?
  • Impact of summer heat and humidity
  • Additional wave(s)
• Stay the course! And keep learning and responding to the epidemiology in our community
Thank You!

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