

## Multnomah County Emergency Operations Center

- ➤ The Mt. Scott Community Center will open tomorrow as a homeless shelter with 60 beds. The opening will make a total of 375 additional shelter beds across Multnomah County created to allow improved social distancing for existing shelter guests.
- Two Medical Motels with a capacity of 120 people are currently operating to separate guests of existing homeless shelters with undiagnosed respiratory illness symptoms from shelter guests with no symptoms.
- ➤ Multnomah County is creating a grounding space for Emergency Operations Center employees to reduce stress and anxiety.
- ➤ The Emergency Operations Center Equity Officer is hosting a grounding space for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) employees to share, heal, connect, and get grounded in a space that is not dominated by whiteness.
- ➤ Multnomah County Emergency Operation Center's Public Information Office (PIO) is monitoring traditional and social media in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese for COVID-19 related trends and themes to understand community information needs and be aware of potential misinformation.
- ➤ Stone Soup PDX has partnered with Multnomah County to assist providing meals at shelters for those experiencing homelessness. Stone Soup PDX has partnered with restaurant groups across the community to create meal boxes. ([KATU](#))
- ➤ Multnomah County is working with Oregon Health Authority and Oregon Department of Human Services on long term care facility outbreaks.
- Planning has begun for a Multnomah County Family Assistance Center which will support families experiencing the loss of a loved one during COVID-19.
- Electric and Gas utilities are curtailing certain non-safety activities, including non-emergency service calls, meter changes, meter relocates, public work, etc. to keep employees available for critical functions.
- The Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) provided clarification on the temporary suspension on Oregon's ban on self-service gas stations:
  - Temporary suspension is in effect until April 11th, 2020
  - The temporary suspension does not make self-service mandatory
  - Change allows gas station attendants to help customers while applying physical distancing practices
  - Attendants will sanitize equipment and fuel nozzles and assist customers as needed
- Portland Fire and Multnomah County are collaborating on a symptom checker tool called [c19oregon.com](http://c19oregon.com) to support community-based triage in advance of and during a surge of COVID-19 cases.
- The [Multnomah County COVID19 website home page](#) has been redesigned based on use analytics to prioritize the most-searched information and resources.
- [Multnomah County WIC is open to families for telehealth appointments](#). This is an important resource especially for people who are pregnant and breastfeeding, or with young children who