



Message from the City Council

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An Open Letter from Chino Hills Mayor Art Bennett
and the Chino Hills City Council

Vice Mayor Brian Johsz, Council Member Ray Marquez,
Council Member Cynthia Moran, and Council Member Peter Rogers

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COVID-19

The health and well-being of the Chino Hills community is our highest priority. The Chino Hills City Council, our executive team, and staff are working diligently with our partners at the federal, state, county, and local levels to coordinate our response to COVID-19. Our City staff are hard at work ensuring your safe water supply, and providing City services in a different way, because our buildings are closed to the public to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Follow Health Guidelines

The Governor issued a Stay at Home Order at the end of the day on March 19, 2020, which means that everyone is required to stay home except to get food, care for a relative/friend, get necessary health care, or go to an essential job. When you go out to take care of your essential needs, keep at least six feet of distance from other people and practice good hygiene. To learn more about the Governor's order, visit [covid19.ca.gov](https://www.covid19.ca.gov).

There is nothing more important for each and every one of us to do, than to follow the CDC guidelines to maintain our health and prevent the spread of the virus. The most important factor is to limit your interaction with people. Right now, there are people in the community that have the virus and don't know they have it. Please treat everyone, even your family, neighbors, and friends, as if either you, or they have coronavirus. Limiting your contact with people is very important. Limit your circle of interaction, and that includes play dates for your kids. Keep your distance, wash your hands often for at least 20 seconds, clean your high-touch areas and then disinfect them by following directions on the product label. If you are part of a vulnerable population, or over 65, stay home and ask for help getting what you need. You can find everything you need on the Internet, but make sure you are getting information from a good source.

Help Your Neighbors

We are facing unprecedented times. Together, we will get through this. Help your neighbors. Check on the elderly and vulnerable populations and make sure they have what they need. There are efforts underway to find ways to work together to help these neighbors, including the Chino Valley Fire District and Fire Foundation's recently

launched SOS Chino Valley. If we learn of new programs, we will be sure to share that information on our website. And, while you are helping one another - use social distancing and good hygiene practices, and stay home if you are sick. We have been asked about donations and want to let you know that the City is not seeking donations, but you might check with local food banks or churches. We have provided a list of local businesses that are providing special shopping hours for our vulnerable populations. Visit www.chinohills.org/CoronaVirus for the list.

Regulations

Please remember that response to the coronavirus is a fluid situation. On Friday, March 20, the City posted signs to close playgrounds and exercise equipment in parks to reduce the spread of the virus. Public Health and government officials are reviewing and updating regulations 24/7 in order to best respond to limit the spread of the virus. We are sure that our residents, businesses, and restaurants have a desire to join us in that effort. San Bernardino County is working closely with all 24 cities as we all have a common goal to help our communities understand what is expected.

Do Your Best

Right now, resources are not being committed to review and stop all potential violations of the orders that have been issued. It takes time for compliance. Please make the best decisions you can for yourself and your family. Please do not call 911 to report what you may think is a violation. Use 911 for medical emergencies, life safety situations, and to report crimes.

Primary Source for Official Information from the City of Chino Hills

Please visit our COVID-19 website page at www.chinohills.org/CoronaVirus. You will find our latest actions, helpful information, and important phone numbers. In addition, you may provide your COVID-19-related questions to the City via email to ChinoHillsCovid19@chinohills.org, or by calling 909-364-2610.

As always, your Mayor and City Council Members remain committed to serving you. Please feel free to contact us via email with any concerns.

Sincerely,

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