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County Continues Executive Order to Shelter at Home

San Luis Obispo—In partnership with all seven incorporated cities in San Luis Obispo County, County Emergency Services Director Wade Horton today announced that the County's [executive order to Shelter at Home](#) remains in effect.

The emergency order went into effect on March 19, 2020, and calls for review every 14 days to evaluate the need to continue the order. Today's announcement marks the first 14-day review.

"As of today, our community has been sheltering at home for two weeks—and we need to stay the course," said Mr. Horton. "We must slow the spread of COVID-19 so we don't overwhelm our hospitals. It's important to remember that we are staying home to save lives."

The intent of the order is to slow the spread of COVID-19 in San Luis Obispo County by ensuring that the maximum number of people self-quarantine in their places of residence to the maximum extent possible, while enabling essential services to continue. The executive order aligns with state guidance and similar orders for counties across California.

"The actions we take today will protect our most vulnerable neighbors and help us get back to normal as soon as possible," Horton said. "The most important thing you can do is stay home and keep six feet of physical distance from others if you leave the home for essential activities."

The County is working to increase capacity in the local health care system, in part by developing an Alternate Care Site at Cal Poly with more than 900 beds if needed. The County is also working to supply local health care workers and first responders with the personal protective equipment they need to care for the sick.

For updates on COVID-19 in SLO County, visit [ReadySLO.org](https://www.ready.slo.org) or call the recorded Public Health Information Line at (805) 788-2903. A staffed phone assistance center at (805) 543-2444 is available seven (7) days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for questions related to COVID-19. To report a business violating the Shelter at Home order, call (805) 788-2222. For a daily live video stream of updates from the County every afternoon, visit www.slocounty.ca.gov.

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