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"Very much thank Kurt and Restobar. We're extremely appreciative of what they did," said Siuslaw School Board President Guy Rosinbaum. "I would encourage any restaurant that's thinking of closing to bring [food] by the school or our local food shares, as they have had a bit of a run and they're really low on food, too."

Florence Food Share experienced an increase of clients since the outbreak of COVID-19, and as a result, the "food pantry needs more food than ever," the organization said in a press release. "Florence Food Share would appreciate any donations the public can provide."

Needed items included canned meat, canned soup, canned vegetables, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, flour, oats, potatoes, onions, milk and eggs.

Mapleton Food Share is also seeking donations with a nearly

Siuslaw School District has decided to support local businesses by ordering lunch for district staff several times a week. This both keeps staff motivated as they prepare lessons for students working from home, sanitize district buildings and prepare and deliver food deliveries to district families.

identical list of supplies, adding canned fruit to the list.

As the district is receiving help from restaurants that have closed, they are attempting to help those restaurants that are trying to stay open.

"To take pressure off of our food service staff and try to help local businesses, the district will be buying takeout meals from local restaurants to feed staff and volunteers assisting on days we do food distribution," Grzeskowiak said.

Once or twice a week, the district will buy lunch for its volunteers from local restaurants that have closed their doors to diners, but still deliver food or have it available for takeout. On Wednesday, Homegrown Public House came to the district with a van filled with

food for the school volunteers.

"We know that these times are tight for them, and they've got people to pay as well," Rosinbaum said. "This is one way that maybe we can help that a little bit and give back to those businesses in need."

There is now a public Facebook group where restaurants and community members are posting food resources called "Florence Foods To Go!" People are posting hours and menu options, as well as indicating how they can help.

The page's "about" section states, "This group is meant to make it easier to see all of our local restaurants and how they are dealing with the covid-19. ...Let's all come together to support our local business and make it easier to do just that!"



What's happening in the Siuslaw region as of March 21, 2020

On March 16, Oregon Gov. Kate Brown announced an executive order that requires social distancing. Statewide, all gatherings of more than 25 people have been cancelled, with Brown requesting that people limit their meetings to less than 10.

The following businesses, organizations and groups are experiencing changes while the state prepares for the novel coronavirus COVID-19. This list was compiled by Coast Radio and Siuslaw News.

Important Services:

- **PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Hospital** – visitors will not be allowed within the medical center until further notice, with a few exemptions. People experiencing fever or respiratory infection symptoms (e.g. cough), must call their provider's office prior to scheduling an appointment.
- **Lane County** – Visit www.lanecounty.or.gov/coronavirus for more info. The Non-Emergency Call Center, which can be reached at 541-682-1380, will be open daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- **City of Florence** – Florence City Hall is closed to the public and has cancelled all public meetings. People should view ci.florence.or.us/em/covid-19-informational-resources for complete information.
- **Dunes City Hall** – front window closed, but people can still contact dunescityhall.com.
- **Florence Police Department** – the Florence Justice Center is closed to the public. Call the non-emergency line at 541-997-3515 to make arrangements.
- **Siuslaw Public Library** – closed until further notice in both Florence and Mapleton. Visit www.siuslawlibrary.info to check out e-books and audio books.
- **Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue and Western Lane Ambulance District** – have closed public access to their offices. Contact them at svfr.org or www.westernlaneambulance.com.

Area Schools:

- **Siuslaw School District** – cancelled all classes and sporting events until at least April 28. The district will utilize bus routes for schoolwork and food delivery. Visit www.siuslaw.k12.or.us for further information.
- **Mapleton School District** – cancelled all classes and sporting events until at least April 28. The district will be providing nutrition services. More info is at www.mapleton.k12.or.us.

Restaurants Offering Services:

- **A&W** – Orders available to go through drive up area
- **Abby's Pizza** – Orders available to go and delivery available

- **Bay St Grille** – Orders available to go
- **Bay View at Best Western** – Orders available to go
- **Best Thai** – Orders available to go
- **Bridgeport Market** – Orders available to go
- **Burrito Amigos** – Orders available to go
- **Chen's Family Dish** – Orders available to go
- **Clawson's Wheelhouse** – Orders available to go
- **Darlings Marina & RV Resort** – Orders available to go
- **Dunes Cafe** – Orders available to go and delivery available
- **Eatwell Organic Noodle** – Orders available to go from food truck at the main location
- **Firehouse** – Orders available to go
- **Florence Dairy Queen** – Drive-through open
- **Fresh Harvest** – Orders available to go
- **Homegrown** – Orders available to go and delivery available plus growlers
- **Hukilau** – Orders available to go
- **Ichiban** – Orders available to go
- **Jerry's Place / What's Cha Brewing** – offers meals to go curbside service plus growlers
- **Kathleen & Nina's** – Orders available to go
- **Lovejoy's Restaurant & Tearoom** – Orders available to go
- **Mo's Seafood & Chowder** – Orders available to go and delivery available
- **Nosh Eatery** – offers take home meals and curbside service Thursday through Monday
- **Off Bay Street Bistro** – Orders available to go
- **Old Town Coffee** – Orders available to go
- **Rosa's Mexican Restaurant** – Orders available to go
- **Surfside Restaurant** – Orders available to go until Sunday night only
- **The Grill at Florence Golf Links** – Orders available to go
- **Waterfront Depot** – Orders available to go
- **Additional food resources through the "Florence Foods To Go!" public Facebook group.**

Local Services & Business:

- **37th Street Laundry** – Local pick up and drop off laundry service. Public showers for small fee and all surfaces sanitized.
- **Barbara Martin, EA, LTC** – "While we are not currently taking new clients, repeat clients may just drop off or mail their information to us. We will try to accommodate our clients in any way we can, including curbside pickup."
- **BeauxArts Fine Art Materials &**

- **Gallery** – open by appointment only and offering delivery of art supplies. Call 541-991-8213.
- **Coast Radio KCST/KCFM** – continues to work on local news. Follow on Facebook and at kcfmradio.com.
- **Edward Jones Investments** – lobby closed to public, available by phone and email
- **Florence Dental Clinic** – Dr. Justin Linton & Dr. Brian Holmes are following the American Dental Association's recommendations that dentists nationwide postpone electric procedures for the next three weeks. Concentrating on emergency dental care will allow us to care for our patients and alleviate the burden that dental emergencies would place on hospital emergency departments.
- **Florence Food Share** – open with 80 new clients this week. Offering curbside service for those with health issues, but you need to call ahead. In addition, seeking food and money donations.
- **Florence Habitat for Humanity** – Open by appointment only
- **Florence Habitat Restore** – remaining open at this time
- **Frames of Florence** – regular office hours. Bring a can of food to donate to Food Share and receive 10% off your project total
- **Fred Meyer** – shopping and side door pick up
- **Goodman's Floor Covering** – appointment only. Call 541-997-1080 or email goodmansfc@gmail.com.
- **H&R Block** – Drive up service
- **HYAK** is offering free doorstep pick up of computer repairs
- **Insta-cart** – offers shopping and delivery service for those who can't get out
- **Kitchen Klutter** – limited hours
- **Laurel Bay Gardens** – regular hours as spring continues to blossom in the region. New veggies have arrived.
- **Mapleton Food Share** – seeking food and money donations.
- **Oregon Pacific Bank** – Closed to Walk-In Traffic. Visit www.opbc.com.
- **Shervin's** – regular hours as crew keeps disinfecting the shop and keeping things clean. "We also want you to know if you are not comfortable with bringing in your car for mechanical work or tires, that we will come pick your car up from your home and return it after we have serviced it." Shervin's will donate \$1 per oil change and \$10 per set of 4 tires purchased to entities that support those most affected by COVID-19.
- **Siuslaw News** – staff is working remotely as they continue to work on local news. Follow on Facebook. Contact them through thesiuslawnews.com/contact.
- **Spectrum / Charter** – offering free internet for students

- **State Farm** – Closed to the public – available by phone
- **Stitch & Sole** – regular hours as well as curbside pick-up and free local delivery.
- **Windermere Real Estate** – regular office hours

Local Churches:

- **Crossroads Assembly of God** – livestreaming services from Facebook at 10 a.m. Sundays. Visit www.florencecrossroadag.org/church-online. A live service will be streamed Sunday, March 22, at 11 a.m. on 106.9 fm KCST.
- **First Baptist Church of Florence** – Services on Sunday, 11 a.m., and Wednesday, 6 p.m., will be on Facebook. Visit www.firstbaptistflorence.org for info.
- **Florence Christian Church** – services suspended this week, with updates to follow. Visit www.florencechurch.com for info.
- **Florence Church of the Nazarene** – services will be streamed from www.florence-naz.church, including Sunday services.
- **Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship** – service will be available on YouTube. More info is at FlorenceUUF.com.
- **Florence United Methodist Church** – services cancelled for at least two weeks. Check florenceunitedmethodist.org for updates.
- **New Life Lutheran Church** – services cancelled through the end of April. Sermons are on YouTube.
- **Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw** – services and all group meetings cancelled through the end of March. Sunday services at 10 a.m. will be available via Zoom using your phone, tablet or computer. Visit florencepresb.org.

Businesses Closed Until Further Notice:

- **1285 Restobar**
- **Artefacts**
- **Backstreet Gallery**
- **Beachcomber Pub**
- **Bodega Wine Parlor**
- **Bridgewater**
- **City Lights Cinemas**
- **Coastal Fitness** – "We are putting all memberships on hold until further notice. We encourage all to keep moving! Exercise will increase your capacity to fight illness. We hope that it won't be long before we can be a part of your health and fitness."
- **Driftwood Shores Resort and Conference Center** – will temporarily close beginning on Monday, March 23. Surfside Restaurant's final day will be March 22.
- **Dunesday Gaming**
- **Florence Area Chamber of Commerce Visitor's Center** – visit florencechamber.com for more updates.

- **Florence Regional Arts Alliance** – The FRAA Art Center will be temporarily closed. All workshops, classes and events are also cancelled.
- **Florence Senior Center** – For info on the Senior Meals Program, call 541-682-3353 or go online to lcoq.org/160/Senior-Meals.
- **La Pomodori**
- **Little Brown Hen Cafe**
- **Mari's Kitchen**
- **Oregon Coast Military Museum**
- **Florence Pregnancy & Parenting Center**
- **Sea Lion Caves**
- **Siuslaw Public Library**
- **Three Rivers Casino Resort**
- **Waterlily Studios**

Meeting & Event Cancellations:

- **Children's Repertory of Oregon Workshops (CROW)** – cancelled all dance classes and play rehearsals. Performance dates of "Mary Poppins" have been moved to July. Visit crowkids.com for updates.
- **City Club of Florence** – cancelled meetings until further notice. See more at www.florencearecc.org.
- **Florence Events Center** – no events and meetings are scheduled through April. Visit eventcenter.org.
- **Florence Kiwanis Club** – cancelled meetings until further notice. See more at www.florencekiwanis.org.
- **Florence Rotary Club** – cancelled events and meetings until further notice. See more at www.theflorence Rotary.org.
- **Friends of the Florence Events Center** – Curtis Salgado concert postponed.
- **Oregon Coast Humane Society** – has cancelled its volunteer and membership meetings. The shelter is currently open for adoptions by appointment only. Read more at www.oregoncoasthumanesociety.org/.
- **Oregon Youth Authority** – has cancelled visitations at all camps including Camp Florence. Read more at insideoia.com/2020/03/16/coronavirus.
- **Recycling** – Master Recyclers, EMAC and United Methodist Church's recycling event planned for April 18 has been cancelled.
- **Siuslaw Watershed Council** – all planned events are cancelled through April and the district office is closed to the public. Contact staff through Siuslaw.org.
- **Soroptimist International of Florence** – meetings are cancelled until further notice

This list will continue to be updated in the coming weeks. Email information to PRESS RELEASES@THESIUSLAW NEWS.COM and RADIO-WAVES@KCST.COM.

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• Plastic milk jugs and transparent drinking bottles (rinse - no lids)
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