



## City of Helotes

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### **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update – March 24, 2020**

#### *Bexar County executive order outlines Stay Home, Work Safe measures*

On March 23, 2020, Bexar County Judge Nelson W. Wolff issued Executive Order NW-03 that will become effective at 11:59 p.m. tonight, March 24, 2020 and continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 9, 2020 unless terminated on an earlier date. This executive order directs all persons residing in Bexar County, Texas to stay at home with a “Stay Home, Work Safe Measures” mindset. This summary explains the general content of and exceptions to the executive order as well as a link to the full document.

#### **Who is required to stay at home?**

All persons residing within the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Bexar County are directed to stay at home during this period, including residents of the City of Helotes, except for allowable activities and exempt businesses.

All businesses within the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Bexar County are required to cease all operations during this period, except for exempt business.

#### **What are allowable activities?**

Individuals may leave their homes to perform the following essential activities:

- Visit a healthcare professional, obtain medication, or pickup medical supplies
- To obtain food (such as visiting a grocery store or visiting a drive-thru or pickup at a restaurant), household supplies, or pet supplies
- To care for a family member or pet
- Engage in outdoor activities where social distancing measures may be followed, including walking, biking, hiking, etc.
- Activities necessary to work at an exempted business.

#### **Which businesses are exempt?**

The following businesses are exempt from the Executive Order. These operations will continue during this period:

- Healthcare operations
- Government functions
- Critical infrastructure
- Transportation (automotive suppliers and repair shops)
- Retail (grocery stores, gas stations, warehouse stores, laundry services, etc.)
- Restaurants (drive thru, pickup, or delivery only, dining in remains prohibited)
- Childcare services

- Funeral service providers

For a complete list, review the Bexar County Executive Order by [clicking here](#).

### **How will these measures be enforced?**

These measures are in place for the health and safety of our community. Reports of noncompliance will be investigated by the Helotes Police Department as necessary. Noncompliance with the Bexar County Executive Order will be enforced to the full extent of the law.

### **Helotes City Hall Operations**

The City of Helotes is committed to continuing service to our citizens. Access to City Hall will be limited to comply with the Executive Order, so residents are encouraged to use the website at [www.helotes-tx.gov](http://www.helotes-tx.gov) for business that can be conducted online. City Hall staff are available by phone at (210) 695-8877.

### **Questions?**

General questions may be emailed to the City of Helotes at [publicrelations@helotes-tx.gov](mailto:publicrelations@helotes-tx.gov). All residents are encouraged to visit the City website at [www.helotes-tx.gov](http://www.helotes-tx.gov) for updates and follow us on social media, including Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor.