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NEWSLETTER

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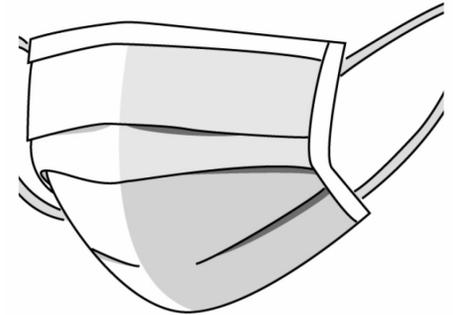
Stay “Safer at Home” or “Stay at Home?”

On Sunday, April 26th, 2020 Governor Jared Polis issued a “safer at home” executive order which allows the gradual reopening phase of some businesses. Most of the state will move to the safer at home guidelines starting Monday, April 27th. However, the San Luis Board of Trustees are extending their “Stay at Home” orders through May 15th before waiting to move to the State of Colorado’s next phase of “Safer at Home.”

The San Luis Board of Trustees would like all people who are 65 or older, have a lung disease, asthma, or heart condition, have compromised immune issues or are deemed to be high risk by their medical providers to stay at home except when absolutely necessary. This is for your safety and the public’s safety as four new cases of Coronavirus have been identified in the San Luis Valley this past week.

It is important for anyone who is sick or has tested positive for COVID-19 to stay at home unless to seek medical care. The Board continues to require our citizens to wear cloth face coverings or masks if they are in public places and local stores. Wearing masks in public places and business is still in effect in San Luis until further notice.

According to Costilla County Public Health and the State of Colorado, gatherings of ten (10) people or more will remain prohibited in San Luis public spaces and private



commercial spaces. Citizens are also to limit their social interactions as much as possible as well as limit their essential travel within their county and for recreational travel.

After Friday, May 15th, in San Luis, some businesses can phase-in public openings if they are following the state orders and can keep measures in place to increase physical distancing between customers and employees and must protect employees by following cleaning and safety protocols.

On Monday, May 15th, some-businesses, as identified by the State order, will be able to reopen to employees if they can keep staffing levels below 50% in the building at one time. Our San Luis restaurants can continue with window and curbside delivery or walk- or drive-through food service.

The current “Stay at Home” for San Luis residents order will expire May 15th, 2020 unless the Board of Trustees extends it due to safety reasons. If not extended, the Town of San Luis will move to the state’s “Safer at Home” order on May 15th.



35 FUN THINGS TO DO WHEN 'STUCK' AT HOME

There are times when all of us find ourselves stuck at home. Being 'stuck' can make you feel like there is nothing to do. In moments like these, we are also more susceptible to feeling isolated and lonely, which can cause a self-perpetuating cycle of defeat and lead to unhealthy habits. We are here to help with simple ideas to do at home when you are feeling 'stuck.'

1. Read a book for yourself
2. Read a chapter book aloud with your kids
3. Go for a walk, run, or bike ride
4. Watch new or old movies and TV shows
5. Plan a 'camp out' in the living room
6. Do a puzzle
7. Play board or card games
8. Catch up on sleep
9. Draw or sketch
10. Catch up with friends on the phone or video chat
11. Meditate
12. Dance to your favorite music
13. Yoga
14. People or bird watch
15. Play a musical instrument
16. Clean your room and/or house
17. Organize your clothing, kitchen, storage, or just about anything
18. Write in a journal or begin a new journal
19. Listen to an audiobook or podcast
20. Cook a new or favorite meal
21. Test out your baking skills
22. Build a tower with block toys
23. Paint a portrait
24. Build a fort out of pillows, blankets, and furniture
25. Set up an indoor obstacle course
26. Do a crossword
27. Get rid of old photos and files by cleaning up your computer's hard drive
28. Create a scavenger hunt for your kids
29. Take a walk down memory lane by telling stories
30. Plan a vacation or day-trip for the future
31. Teleconference with your therapist
32. Spend one-on-one time with your family
33. Have a picnic in the family room
34. Make 'breakfast for dinner'
35. Write a letter and send it to a family member or friend

Costilla County Public Health Update

San Luis Valley—Over the past week there has been news of four (4) additional positive cases in the San Luis Valley. It is important to keep this in mind as we prepare to transition to the Safer at Home phase of reopening for the Town of San Luis on May 15th.

The virus remains present in our community and while we begin to prepare for reopening businesses, it is important that we all follow the guidelines to protect our San Luis community with masks and consistent washing of your hands.

When the stay at home order expires, it is important that we remember it is still safer at home and everyone is encouraged to stay home as much as possible except for necessary activities, jobs and government functions. (COVID-19).

Virus Information

Colorado HELP line
1-877-462-2911

(English and Spanish) for Colorado general information.

Colorado updates and guidance:

<https://covid19.colorado.gov>

CDC updates and guidance: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

Small Business

www.choosecolorado.com

Volunteer or Donate

www.helpcoloradonow.org

The San Luis Park is Closed to Public



In an effort to keep our citizens safe, the San Luis Community Park continues to be closed to the public until further notice. Bike rides, walks, and hikes are great alternatives to going to the park – as long as you stay six-feet away from others.

The good news is a major upgrade will be taking place in the park within a few months. The old gym will be demolished opening more play space in the park and a quarter mile walking and biking path will be installed, plus, a new addition of a bike playground for the children. The Board of Trustees is eager to move some great projects forward for our youth and children in the park.



Questions about COVID-19?
INFORMATION LINE 719-480-8719
If you are experiencing symptoms, please call the nurse line.

SLV COVID-19 INFORMATION LINE & NURSE LINE

SLV Health Nurse Line: 719-589-2511 ext 9
Rio Grande Hospital: 719-657-4990

DO NOT DIAL 911 with questions.
ONLY dial 911 if you are experiencing an emergency.

San Luis Board of Trustees Vacancies

The Town of San Luis has two open positions on the Board of Trustees. The Board meets the 1st and 2nd Tuesdays of every month. There will be special meetings as well. You must be a San Luis resident for no less than 12 consecutive months, live within the town limits, be a registered voter, and be a minimum of 18 years of age.

The Board is looking for energetic folks who are ready to roll up their sleeves and desire to make a positive difference in our community. If selected as a Trustee, the position serves a two-year term until April 2022. If interested please send a letter of intent listing your qualifications, vision for the Town of San Luis and why you would like to become a Town Trustee to Town of San Luis, P.O. Box 200, San Luis, CO 81423. You can also deliver it to the town hall located at 408 Main Street; or email your letter of intent to townclerk@townofsanluisco.org.

Town Hall Meetings

Will be held by conference call until further notice.

If you would like to attend by phone please email townclerk@townofsanluisco.org

**Town Hall Meeting
6:00 pm**

The 2nd Tuesday of each month

**Work Sessions
6:00 pm**

The 1st Tuesday of each month

Home Ownership?



Are you tired of renting? Have you thought about homeownership? Community Resources and Housing Development Corporation (CRHDC) can help! We help you with your path to home ownership!

CRHDC is currently accepting applications for Luz del Cielo subdivision located on Pedro and Salazar Street in San Luis. Construction is being planned for the next grant cycle which begins September 2020. The San Luis project plan is to build three bedroom homes with a garage. Homes range in size from 1,100 to 1,086 square feet.

CRHDC encourages first time homebuyers and other eligible individuals who want to live in San Luis to apply now.

Self-help eligibility income, from all sources is: 1-4 persons very low income, \$34,050; low income for 1-4 persons not to exceed \$54,500; 5-8 person very low income; \$44,950 and low income 5-8 person not to exceed \$71,950.00.

Our staff will assist you every step of the way, from the application process through the construction phase, to move in. Use your own hands to help build your own home. Become part of a neighborhood that thrives in our community of San Luis. Please call (719) 589-1680 for more information.

Support San Luis Businesses

- ASC Electronics** 672-0362
- BeLeaf Wellness** 206-3361
- Family Dollar** 672-0377
- Carson Construction** 298-0727
- Central Oil** 672-3840
- Ernie's Barbershop** 588-9942
- GT's Trash Service** 672-3601
- Gus's Liquor Store** 672-3331
- Jacales Art Gallery** 588- 6831
- J&J Self Storage** 672-3660
- La Casa Canna Bis** 672-4220
- Mondragon's Tire** 672-3325
- Mrs. Rio's Restaurant Thai Kitchen** 672-0211
- Painted Sage** (303) 919-9937
- Piccadilly Pizza** 672-0340
- R&R Market** 672-3346
- Romero Funeral** 589- 9200
- San Luis Inn** 673-3399
- San Luis Music** 680-3933
- San Luis Propane** 672-4204
- Sonia's Convenience** 672-4461
- Speedway Garage** 672-9903