



Municipal Corp. of Cape Charles

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Notice to all residents and business owners:

As April comes to a close and a beautiful Cape Charles May begins, it can be increasingly difficult for many of us to stay the course and adhere to all the restrictions and safety precautions COVID-19 has forced upon us. So the Town of Cape Charles wants to recognize all those sacrifices and to take a moment to remind everyone that we're not out of the woods just yet.

The longer this situation drags on, the greater the pressure will be for people to get out and about and for businesses to start pressing the envelope to open. But the Governor's executive orders are still in effect; the Town derives its authority from, and strictly follows all mandates of these executive orders.

Under these EO's, business activity and travel remain restricted. The stay-at-home order ([EO55](#)) is still in effect until June 10. The business restrictions ([EO53](#)) have been extended to May 8; and we are awaiting additional guidance from the Commonwealth for what happens next.

For now, [EO53](#) closures remain in effect and all businesses must continue to practice social distancing and enhanced sanitizing practices; non-essential retail businesses must limit in-person shopping to no more than 10 patrons while ensuring social distancing; and professional services should continue to utilize telework.

Short-term rentals may not operate within Cape Charles until the stay-at-home order is lifted, and most public facilities will remain closed. The beach is closed to all but exercise and fishing (exercise generally means walking or running - chairs, coolers, and umbrellas are not consistent with such activities).

We know it's been tough, and so we want to thank everyone, residents and businesses alike, who have sacrificed much to do their part to help keep our community safe. Hang in there for just a while longer.

We'll get through this!

John Hozey
Town Manager