

## September 3 City of Eugene Community Update - COVID-19

This update provides information on the latest City activities and links to more information. For health and safety information about COVID-19 including confirmed cases and testing data, please visit [Lane County Public Health](#) or [Oregon Health Authority's](#) websites.

With the Labor Day holiday weekend upon us, many are planning to celebrate at home or be on the move. Wherever you're planning to enjoy the long weekend, please do so responsibly. Avoid groups and gatherings, stay home as much as possible, and follow face covering guidance if outside the home.

Our cases in Eugene and Lane County continue to rise. We know that past holiday weekends have led to outbreaks in Oregon, in part because of the risky ways people celebrate. Please help protect your family, friends and neighbors by celebrating safely and remind those in your bubble to do the same.

### IF YOU HOST OR ATTEND A GET TOGETHER CONSIDER:



If you'll be spending time in close contact with people from outside of your household, Lane County Public Health recommends a self-quarantine for 14 days upon your return home to reduce the likelihood of spreading of COVID-19 throughout our community. Questions about COVID-19 can be directed to the Non-Emergency COVID-19 Call Center. The call center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 541-682-1380.

## Eugene Community Recovery



Eugene Community Recovery is using information from the community to inform how the City of Eugene can help increase overall community wellbeing. The local impacts we have experienced are severe, wide-reaching, and ever-changing. They have informed the focal areas of Eugene Community Recovery. Within these focal areas the City is looking to establish efforts, create partnerships, and move the needle towards community wellbeing.

Learn more about the impacts and what each of these [Eugene Community Recovery](#) focus areas include.

### Library Expands Services

On August 24, Eugene Public Library opened its doors to begin providing indoor services designed to meet the needs of community members who don't have easy online access. All locations now offer computers, internet access, and printing. At the Downtown Library, people can also borrow print books, DVDs, and CDs with same day, staff-assisted counter service. Library staff report these services have been greatly appreciated. Meantime, cardholders with online access continue to enjoy eBooks, online audiobooks, and streaming movies, as well as borrowing physical items by placing requests for later pick up. Learn more about [current library services](#).

### Return Your Books, Please

Eugene Public Library is asking for a favor. An unusually large number of loaned items share the same due date: September 14. If possible, please return them sooner.

Library Director Will O'Hearn explains, "When we had to close the buildings and book returns, we didn't know just when we'd be able to reopen them. We extended all due dates to September 14 to make sure everyone would have plenty of time to return items without stress. But now that date is coming up! And if everything comes back on the same day, it'll cause a different kind of stress. So our thanks go out in advance to everyone who can drop by and return items earlier."



Outside book returns are open at all Eugene Public Library locations:

- **Downtown Library:** Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Bethel and Sheldon:** Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## The Latest from Mayor Vinis

Watch [Mayor Vinis' most recent video update](#) which includes a reminder that we must still be vigilant over the Labor Day weekend – especially as children prepare to head back to school. Learn more about the [City's response to COVID-19](#).

## More resources

See a list of [Community Resources](#) for physical and mental health, food, housing, businesses, employees, schools and children, as well as information in Spanish. Also learn how you can help.

Our partners have a significant amount of information available online. Please visit these resources for the most up to date information:

- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [State of Oregon](#)
- [Oregon Health Authority](#)
- [Lane County Public Health](#)
- **Lane County Call Center:** Open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., 541-682-1380

## Previous Community Update

- [COVID-19 Community Update](#) (August 20, 2020)