



MIMA's Weekly Update COVID-19

Baltimore City Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs



Keeping You Informed

During the response period to COVID19, MIMA will be providing weekly updates and information related to public services and resources available for communities via its GovDelivery list. **To subscribe to the listserv, please contact mima@baltimorecity.gov**. The following is a list of services and resources that have been impacted by COVID-19. We encourage you to verify information with the source.

What's New This Week?

Baltimore City's Stay at Home Order is still in effect! Mayor Young signed an executive order requiring residents to stay at home unless they are

completing essential jobs or tasks. As of Tuesday, May 26, Mayor Young is allowing retail businesses to have curbside pick-up, but customers and staff must maintain social distancing and use facial coverings. Outdoor gym classes of 10 or fewer people will be allowed. All gatherings of 10 or more people are still banned. Baltimore City has NOT seen a sustained decrease of COVID-19 fatalities or new cases, both of which are needed to safely lift the stay-at-home.

Stay safe at work by wearing a mask, washing your hands frequently, disinfecting commonly used equipment and surfaces and keeping 6 feet of distance between you and others. If an employer requires certain employees to continue performing job functions without providing personal protective equipment (PPE), but does not require this of other employees, or provides PPE for other employees, this may be discrimination. If you, or someone you know, has been subjected to unfair treatment by an employer, please contact the **Baltimore City Office of Equity and Civil Rights** to speak with an intake officer at (410) 396-3141. Check out <u>MIMA's website</u> for more information on staying safe at work in multiple languages.

All public events held in Baltimore City of more than 250 people have been cancelled through August 31st, 2020. This includes Artscape, the Fourth of July celebration, Caribbean Carnival and AFRAM.

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Are you homebound due to COVID-19 and unable to get food?



Baltimore City is partnering with **amazon** to deliver grocery boxes starting in May.

Who Qualifies?*

- Can't leave your home because you're at increased medical risk, sick or in quarantine
- Don't have family, friends or neighbors who can get food for you
- Don't receive food delivery through other programs
- Can't afford paid meal or grocery delivery
- Have somebody at home who is able to prepare you meals

How do I enroll?

Adults 60 and older: call (410) 396-2273

What should qualifying households expect?

May receive 30 lbs. of non-perishable food 1 x week—*while supplies last*

Will receive boxes within 3-4 days of ordering

*If you don't qualify for a grocery box home delivery, you can still get food assistance. Visit: coronavirus.baltimorecity.gov/ food-distribution-sites

Residents 59 & younger: call 2-1-1



Contact tracing is how public health workers stop the spread of diseases. It is an important tool for reducing the spread of COVID-19. When someone tests positive for COVID-19. their doctor notifies the health department. Contact tracers call the person who tested positive for COVID-19 to see who else might have been exposed. They do not ask for your social security number, credit card or immigration status. If you get a call from the Baltimore City Health Department about COVID-19, take it seriously and follow the instructions they provide. Check out the graphic on the last page of this update for more info!

Baltimore City is partnering with Amazon to deliver grocery boxes to residents who cannot leave their homes and/or afford paid meal or grocery delivery.

Residents 60 and older should call 410-396-2273, residents 59 and younger should call 211 to sign up.

Do you speak Spanish? Have you been impacted by COVID-19? Do you care about the health and safety of the Latino community? Record a 30 second video in Spanish about the importance of staying safe during the pandemic

and send it to us at <u>mima@baltimorecity.gov</u>! Your video may be used in a PSA. Read the instructions in <u>English</u> and <u>Spanish</u> before you get started!

Please see <u>MIMA's website</u> for multilingual information on economic relief, health and human services, food distribution and city services.

Community Spotlight

Volunteer translators from Johns Hopkins Medical School and School of Public Health have translated numerous documents into the city's top five languages- Spanish, French, Mandarin, Korean and Arabic. Their tireless work has made it possible to quickly get graphics and announcements out on MIMA's Facebook. Another pool of volunteers spent hours helping multilingual business owners complete the

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Baltimore Development Corporation Small Business Grant applications. Over 20 business owners were able to get translation assistance and submit their applications for grant relief to help them get by during this difficult time. Thank you to these volunteers who have played a pivotal role in advancing language access during the COVID-19 pandemic!



Here's how it works...





When someone tests positive for COVID-19, their doctor notifies the Health Department who else might have

We call the person who tested positive for COVID-19 to see been exposed

Once we know who else might have been exposed, we contact those people

Everyone is asked to self-isolate for at least two weeks

to stop the spread

of COVID-19

If you get a call from the Baltimore City Health Department about COVID-19, take it seriously.

What we ask for:

- Where you've been for the last few days
- The names and contact information of people you've had close contact with so we can call them. We will NOT tell them who potentially exposed them without permission

For free COVID-19 (Coronavirus) assistance, call 2-1-1. For more information, visit coronavirus.baltimorecity.gov

What we DON'T ask for:

X Social Security number X Credit card X Immigration status



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