

City of North Miami

# Coronavirus UPDATE



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Dear North Miami Residents:

I am connecting with all of you to provide an update on the latest measure taken by the city of North Miami to preserve the health of our community during the COVID-19 Pandemic. The city of North Miami is emphatically urging all of our City's residents, business owners and guests to wear masks or face coverings while performing day-to-day activities. While North Miami residents are still encouraged to stay at home, use of face coverings is required when visiting grocery stores, pharmacies, take-out restaurants and any activities that call for in-person engagement with others.

This decision comes after several thoughtful discussions between North Miami's Mayor and Council, the NMPD Command Staff, our Emergency Management Division and City Administration. Recently, the CDC advised that wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where maintaining social distancing practices is challenging can slow the spread of COVID-19. This is especially useful in slowing virus transmission from individuals who are unaware that they are infected.

As of 7 p.m. on April 8, Miami-Dade County reported 5,354 COVID-19 cases, including 68 cases in North Miami and 90 related deaths countywide. Sadly, the County's first fatal case claimed the life of a North Miami resident.

As stated previously, to succeed in this effort, we as a community must all work together. As your Interim City Manager, I have full confidence in the people of North Miami. Please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html> for the CDC's additional resources on proper use of face coverings.

Remember, if you are not feeling well and are concerned you may have the virus, please call your doctor or the Florida Department of Health (866-779-6121) before driving to a medical facility or testing center.

The dedicated City of North Miami employees and I, are available to enthusiastically serve you during this health emergency. Many of the customer services and resources sought at City Hall and other City facilities are available at [www.northmiamifl.gov](http://www.northmiamifl.gov). For the City of North Miami's latest COVID-19 updates and resources, please visit us online at [www.NorthMiamiFL.gov/coronavirus](http://www.NorthMiamiFL.gov/coronavirus). You may also follow @NorthMiamiFL.

Let's continue being good neighbors to one another. Stay healthy; and stay at home. When this is all over, our community will come out of this situation, still #NoMiStrong!

In Your Service,  
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Interim City Manager