



## City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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### For Immediate Release

## City of Gaithersburg Update: Facilities Closed, All But the Most Essential Services Suspended

**Gaithersburg, MD (March 17, 2020)** The City of Gaithersburg is committed to adhering to the stringent guidelines necessary to help slow the spread of infection. The following changes, cancellations and modifications are in place through at least April 30, 2020. The situation is being monitored daily. Updates will be made on the City's website at [www.gaithersburgmd.gov](http://www.gaithersburgmd.gov) and on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) @GburgMD.

This is certainly a trying time for all of us. Gaithersburg is a resilient community, and we know that together we will come out on the other side of this stronger and more compassionate than ever.

We urge you to continue to rely on trusted sources for the most up-to-date information about coronavirus, including what to do if you are experiencing symptoms. You'll find the most current information here [Montgomery County Health and Human Services website](#).

### **Facilities**

Effective March 17, the City of Gaithersburg is closing all buildings to public access and discontinuing all appointment services. Only City staff needed to perform important and/or timely functions will be allowed in buildings.

### **Services**

- All in-person services have been suspended through at least April 30, 2020. Visit the City's [website](#) for online services. Note that some services may not be available and response times may be delayed due to limited employee coverage. We appreciate your patience and understanding
- Report life-threatening animal control concerns to 301-279-8000 or 240-773-5230.
- Bulk pick up is cancelled. Recycling will be picked up on its regular schedule.
- Spring loose leaf collection will be rescheduled.

### **Events & Activities**

There will be no public events, programs, classes, sports, performances, or non-essential meetings through at least April 30, 2020.

### **Legislative Meetings**

Regular meetings of the Mayor and City Council, Planning Commission, Board of Appeals and Historic District Commission will be held only if necessary. They will be closed to the public. Content of the Mayor and City

Council meetings is [tweeted](#) in real time. All legislative meetings are aired live on the City's cable channel, Comcast 13 and RCN/FIOS 25, on [YouTube](#), and via the website at [www.gaithersburgmd.gov](http://www.gaithersburgmd.gov).

To comment on Mayor and Council matters, email [cityhall@gaitersburgmd.gov](mailto:cityhall@gaitersburgmd.gov). To comment on the matters of the other three legislative bodies, email [planning@gaitersburgmd.gov](mailto:planning@gaitersburgmd.gov).

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