



## **NEWS RELEASE - COVID-19 (Coronavirus) #22**

### **City of Lauderhill Encourages Each Home to Participate in Census While Sheltering in Place**

**Lauderhill, FL – April 17, 2020 – 6:00 PM** – The City of Lauderhill staff and City Commission remind all residents, while sheltering in place, to participate in the [2020 Census Count](#). For every member of the Lauderhill community who does NOT get counted, the City of Lauderhill will lose \$1,600 in federal funding per person, per year for the next ten years. Federal funds provide for crucial infrastructure and programs that positively benefit every Lauderhill resident. Please log on to [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov) and help Lauderhill...help you!

#### **Limited Virtual Office Hours and Doing Business in Lauderhill**

City buildings and offices remain closed; however, we have been answering calls during the *Limited Virtual Office Hours, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday through Thursday*. You can reach staff by calling 954-739-0100.

The following offices must be dialed directly: Police Department (non-emergency) at 954-497-4700, the Fire Department (non-emergency) at 954-730-2950, Parks and Leisure Services (all parks) at 954-730-3080, and Public Works/Utilities at 954-730-4224.

#### **Virtual Commission Workshop Cancelled**

The City of Lauderhill's Commission Workshop scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2020 has been cancelled. For more information on City Commission Meetings and Workshops, please call the City Clerk's Office at 954-730-3010, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM or [visit their webpage](#).

#### **COVID-19 Testing Locations**

*Walk-up Testing* will open at the *Urban League of Broward County*, located at 560 NW 27 Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311, beginning Saturday, April 18, 2020. This location will be open Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Call 954-412-7300 to schedule an appointment.

*Drive-through Testing* is ongoing at Central Broward Park and Broward Stadium. Prospective patients must be pre-screened and meet CDC and DOH testing guidelines, have a prescription and be preregistered for an appointment through the Broward Health call center at 954-320-5730.

To learn more about COVID-19 and other available testing sites, visit [www.broward.org/coronavirus](http://www.broward.org/coronavirus).

#### **Stimulus Checks**

If you did not file tax returns for the last two years, [go to the IRS website](#) to find information for Non-Filers and to input your information to get your stimulus check. You can also visit the IRS website ([www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment](http://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment)) to view information about your eligibility, payment status, payment type, and if they need more information from you to process your payment, including bank account information.

#### **Unemployment**

To apply for unemployment, please go to the [Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Reemployment Assistance webpage](#) here:

[https://fldeo-flwork-prod1.pegacloud.net/prweb/app/default/tHGV\\_g6FQZMSYakWUervaQ%28%28\\*/!STANDARD](https://fldeo-flwork-prod1.pegacloud.net/prweb/app/default/tHGV_g6FQZMSYakWUervaQ%28%28*/!STANDARD)

In an effort to cut down on the number of people visiting the website, [Executive Order \(EO\) #20-104](#) was enacted yesterday. The EO suspends the requirement for residents to recertify their unemployment status every two weeks.

The Staff, Mayor, and City Commissioners still strongly encourage everyone in the City of Lauderhill to stay safe and stay home, as we continue to fight the spread of [COVID-19 in our City](#). Please wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), to include items like gloves and masks, when completing essential tasks. Finally, remember all PPE should be disposed of properly in trash containers.