



COVID-19 LEGISLATION

The disease, now commonly known as COVID-19, has spread globally, resulting in the 2019–2020 Coronavirus Pandemic. The first case in the United States was announced on January 21, 2020 and Santa Clara County, specifically, has been disproportionately impacted when compared to other California regions. There has been much effort at the local, state and federal levels of government to stop the spread of the disease. Additionally, the state and federal have been working to provide economic relief to individuals, businesses, and local and state governments that have been impacted by COVID-19-related disruptions.

The City of Santa Clara declared a local state of emergency on March 11, 2020 and is closely monitoring county, state and federal orders and legislation to see how they apply to Santa Clara. City resources and personnel are working to continue to provide essential governmental functions to residents and businesses, while navigating the response necessary to contain the COVID-19 outbreak and complying with the requirements for social distancing and self-quarantining. In order to adequately protect the public health and safety in the midst of the COVID-19 outbreak, the City of Santa Clara supports continued efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19, provide direct relief funding to local jurisdictions, especially small and medium-sized cities, and the temporary suspension of certain time-specific statutory requirements.