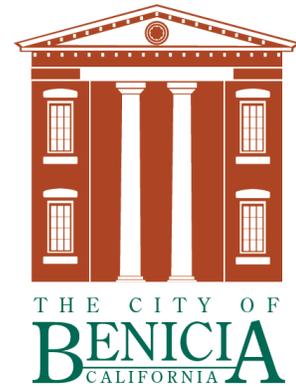


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**CITY OF BENICIA UPDATE ON COVID-19  
FOR MARCH 23, 2020  
Community Services Phone Line Announced**

**Benicia, CA** (March 24, 2020) — City Manager Lorie Tinfow announces the new Community Services phone line through the Parks and Community Services Department. Staff are available to answer questions and provide resources and referrals for calls received on the Community Services phone line, (707) 746-4285, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

For seniors, staff are available to make referrals to recognized local and Solano County non-profit organizations that have set up special services for seniors during the COVID-19 emergency.

Community member are encouraged to call (707) 746-4285 or email [pcs@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:pcs@ci.benicia.ca.us) with questions. Staff will be standing by to make referrals to the appropriate city departments or organization.

In other Parks & Community Services news, the new Virtual Recreation Center is available at <https://www.ci.benicia.ca.us/virtualrec>. As a resource to stay healthy, happy and connected, the site has ideas and links for indoor and outdoor activities. The site also shares nutrition information and links for kids, seniors, and community assistance. If you have a great resource that should be included, email details to [pcs@ci.benicia.ca.us](mailto:pcs@ci.benicia.ca.us).

In support of the Governor's shelter-at-home order and to encourage social distancing, most Benicia Parks and Community Services facilities are closed. They include the bocce ball and tennis courts at Civic Center Park, the Skate Park, all playgrounds, all park restrooms except City Park and the First Street Pier, the James Lemos Swim Center, the Clock Tower, the Benicia Community Center, the Benicia Senior Center and the City Gym.

Addition closure and cancellation information is available at [www.ci.benicia.ca.us/coronavirus](http://www.ci.benicia.ca.us/coronavirus), along with up-to-date information on the City's response to COVID-19.

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