

## **GREENE COUNTY ANNOUNCES SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19**

Stanardsville, VA – March 19, 2020: The County of Greene declared a local emergency in response to the threat of public health and safety from the Coronavirus (COVID-19) on Friday, March 13, 2020. Governor Northam declared a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia on March 12, 2020 and President Trump declared a national state of emergency on March 13, 2020.

The County continues to actively monitor the updates and recommendations concerning COVID-19 from local and state health officials. Based on state and federal guidance, the County has made the following changes and closures:

### **County Administration Building**

The County has cancelled public use of the building as a meeting space for community groups and organizations until further notice.

At this time, government business-related meetings will continue as scheduled. Citizens are encouraged to refrain from attending meetings, especially if they are not well and/or experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 infection regardless of our communities' current COVID-19. The County is asking that the audience self-limit to no more than 10 people.

Access to the County Administration Building should be limited to only essential/time-critical business that cannot be accomplished on-line, over the telephone, and through the mail. We ask members of the public to call 434-985-5201 with any questions regarding your business needs before making a trip to the County Administration Building.

### **Treasurer's Office**

The Greene County Treasurer's Office is closed to the public through April 3, 2020. Staff remains on site to answer telephone calls, provide balances, accept payments, and answer questions. Payments can continue to be made online, by telephone, mail and drop box. The Treasurer's Office can be reached at 434-985-1456 or 4434-985-5214.

### **Parks and Recreation**

All county-sponsored programs have been postponed. The Greene County Community Park is closed through March 27, 2020 with re-evaluation taking place at that point.

### **Building Inspections**

Building permit information and applications can be found on the website. Applications can be emailed to the Building Department at [ksamuels@gcva.us](mailto:ksamuels@gcva.us) or mailed to the Building Department at P.O. Box 358, Stanardsville, VA 22973

### **Planning and Zoning**

Zoning permit information can be found on the website. Specific questions or requests for an application can be emailed to [planning@gcva.us](mailto:planning@gcva.us) or call 434-985-5282.

**Greene County Circuit Court Clerk**

Access to the Clerk's Office will be limited. Please contact the office by telephone 434-985-5208 or email [sbirckhead@vacourts.gov](mailto:sbirckhead@vacourts.gov) for assistance rather than coming into the Clerk's Office.

**Greene County Transit**

Closed on Saturday, March 21, 2020 and Saturday, March 28, 2020 for an extensive cleaning of all transit vehicles. Transit will offer free fare from March 20, 2020 through April 3, 2020. Please contact the office by telephone 434-985-5205 if you have questions.

**Jefferson-Madison Regional Library / Greene County Library**

Closed for the remainder of March. For a list of links to resources and more information, visit <https://jmrlblog.com/2020/03/14/available-online-resources/>

**Virginia Cooperative Extension**

Access to the Extension Office will be limited. Please contact the office by telephone at 434-985-5236 to make an appointment to conduct business by phone.

Offices not mentioned on this release are operating normally.

If you have any questions, please contact County Administration at 434-985-5201.