**March 30, 2020 Wyandot County Public Health COVID-19 Update:**

According to the CDC, those 65 years and older are high-risk for contracting COVID-19.  In fact 8 out of 10 deaths reported in the U.S. have been adults 65 years and older.  In an effort to protect this most vulnerable population, stores are creating special hours for this age group.  Following is a list of Wyandot County stores and their senior shopping hours:

·        A&A Grocery, Upper Sandusky:  every day, 6:30-7:00 a.m.

·        Discount Drug Mart, Upper Sandusky:  Seniors and immune compromised; every day, 9:00-10:00 am

·        Dollar General, Carey:  Seniors; every day, 7:00-8:00 am

·        Dollar General, Upper Sandusky:  every day, 9:00-10:00 am

·        Dollar Tree, Upper Sandusky:  every day, 9:00-10:00 am

·        Family Dollar, Upper Sandusky:  every day, 9:00-10:00 am

·        H&G IGA, Sycamore:  Call ahead “Curbside Secret Shopper” service

·        Hometown Market, Carey:  every day, 7:00-8:00 pm

·        Save A Lot, Upper Sandusky:  every day, 9:00-10:00 am

·        Walmart, Upper Sandusky:  Seniors; every Tuesday 6:00-7:00 am

Remember, during the COVID-19 crisis, shopping is not a family affair or a social outing.  If you need something at the store, only send one person to shop to minimize the possibility of contact with the coronavirus and lessen the chance of spreading the disease.

As of 8:30 AM today, we are reporting one total positive COVID-19 test result in Wyandot County, and community transmission is suspected.

In the State of Ohio, the Ohio Department of Health is reporting 1933 confirmed cases, 475 hospitalization and 39 deaths.  For additional statewide case information visit: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>

The Ohio Department of Health has created a new dashboard at <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/home/dashboard> .

This interactive dashboard will provide you both local and regional data.

Protect yourself and others from COVID-19 by taking these precautions:

* Stay home
* Practice Social Distancing
* Get adequate sleep and eat well-balanced meals
* Wash hands often with water and soap (20 seconds or longer)
* Dry hands with a clean towel or air dry your hands
* Cover your mouth with a tissue or sleeve when coughing or sneezing
* Avoid touching your eyes, nose, mouth with unwashed hands or after touching surfaces
* Clean and disinfect "High-Touch" surfaces often
* Call before visiting your doctor
* Practice good hygiene habits

As we continue to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak, it is important that we rely on good information. Currently Wyandot County Public Health recommends the following resources:

ODH Information Line (833) 4 ASK ODH

State- [https://coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/)

Federal- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Ritchey RS                                                              Please tell us how we are doing.

Director of Environmental Health                                      <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KLWF93Y>

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