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Get Tested to Reopen Merced County

MERCED COUNTY, CA – The Merced County Department of Public Health (Department) wants to emphasize the importance of testing to slow the spread of COVID-19, and thus ensure the reopening of Merced County. The more we test the faster Merced County can reopen. Through a collaborative effort with the California Department of Public Health, the Department secured an additional 500 tests per day administered at mobile testing sites. The mobile testing sites will be located at different areas throughout the county.

These new mobile options are in addition to other testing sites located throughout the County: www.countyofmerced.com/coronavirus. The non-mobile testing locations will continue to remain open if utilized, but underutilization could lead to the closure of various State-funded testing sites.

Tests are available to all Merced County residents free of charge. Pre-registration and same-day registration for the mobile sites can be made online at www.doineedacovid19test.com. Walk-in appointments are also welcome. Merced County Public Health Officials encourage residents to test for COVID-19 if they are experiencing any symptoms or have been potentially exposed to an individual who has tested positive. To receive a COVID-19 test, please visit one of the following locations, during the event date and time:

Testing Site Location	Address	Date	Time
Ed Park/Delhi High School	16881 Schendel Ave, Delhi, CA 95315	Tuesday, Sept. 15	8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Dollar General	1111 Elgin Ave. Dos Palos, CA 93620	Thursday Sept. 17	8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Los Banos Migrant Center	18926 W. Henry Miller Rd. Los Banos, CA 93635	Friday, Sept. 18	12:00 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Al Goman Center	745 Linden Avenue Gustine, CA 95322	Saturday, Sept.19	8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sacred Heart Church	9317 Amistad St., Planada, CA 95365	Sunday, Sept. 20	8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Human Services Agency- Merced	2135 Wardrobe Ave. Merced, CA 95341	Tuesday, Sept. 22	8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Atwater Migrant Center	9200 W. Westside Blvd. Atwater, CA 95301	Wednesday, Sept. 23	12:00 pm – 7 p.m.
Central Valley Opportunity Center (CVOC)	6838 Bridget Ct. Winton, CA 95388	Thursday, Sept. 24	8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

“The Department wants to ensure that all residents in Merced County have access to COVID-19 testing,” said Dr. Salvador Sandoval, the Department’s Health Officer. “We have increased our testing capacity to expand our reach and eliminate barriers to testing, such as accessibility. We hope that more individuals will receive testing to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and subsequently facilitate the reopening and recovery of our County.”

For information on COVID-19 and additional testing locations, visit the Department’s website at www.countyofmerced.com/coronavirus.

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