



Impact Update for Thursday, April 2



As our community continues to navigate through the many challenges being faced at this time, we will be sharing regular updates and resources through twice-weekly email newsletters. We encourage you to share this information with any friends, individuals, families, and small business owners who may be able to take advantage of the resources and programming options listed below.

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“Obstacles don’t have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don’t turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it.” – Michael Jordan

Local Resources.

- **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** issued a [state-wide Stay At Home executive order](#) that goes into effect at midnight on Thursday, April 2.
- Visit these pages for the most critical local health and government updates:
 - [City of Orlando](#)
 - [Orange County](#)
 - [Osceola County](#)
 - [Lake County](#)
 - [Seminole County](#)
- The age limit restriction has been lifted at the drive-thru testing site at the **Orange County Convention Center**. As of April 1, testing is available to anyone exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms AND anyone with a pre-existing medical condition (including cardiovascular disease, diabetes, hypertension, chronic lung disease, cancer and chronic kidney disease). First responders and healthcare workers are also able to get tested, regardless of symptoms. The full update from **Orange County** can be found [here](#). Testing site directions and map are [here](#).
- From the **Orlando Economic Partnership**: Find insight on how the CARES Act, the \$377 billion federal stimulus package to provide in emergency relief to small businesses in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, [affects businesses and how to take advantage of its funding opportunities](#).
- Friday, April 3 is the last day to take advantage of the virtual job fair from **OrlandoJobs.com**, with more than 40 employers participating. Job seekers can find more information about this free event on [Facebook](#).
- If you or a family member have been impacted by COVID-19, you may be eligible to receive re-employment assistance. Visit [FloridaJobs.org](#). Workers needing unemployment insurance can get more information and sign up [here](#).
- Don't forget to complete the **2020 Census**. Census results help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities each year. Respond today and help shape the future of your community at [2020census.gov](#).
- The **Restaurant Employee Relief Fund** will provide grants to restaurant industry employees who have been adversely impacted by COVID-19, financially, whether through a decrease in wages or loss of employment. Check eligibility requirements and apply for the one-time grant of \$500 [here](#).

"The idea came from nurses who found that rain ponchos can protect their clothing and prolong the use of personal protective equipment (PPE)." ...see Disney story below

Stay Engaged.

- Interest in virtual experiences is at an all-time high, and **Visit Orlando** has compiled a list of 20+ virtual thrills. Soar down a 200-foot roller coaster, watch fireworks over the famous Cinderella Castle at Walt Disney World® Resort, zipline over alligators and even learn from experts how to draw Mickey Mouse - all from the comfort of your home! [Dive in and enjoy.](#)
- Has your exercise routine moved outdoors? **Track Shack** can get the running or walking shoes you want delivered straight to your door! Email your shoe request to storeinfo@trackshack.com and include your phone number, or call 407.898.1313 (ext 140) to order by phone.
- **Creative City Project** just launched a "Stimulate the Arts" campaign as a way to infuse creativity into your life, and support artists in three simple steps! First, visit creativecityproject.com and select an experience or product offered by an artist. Next, pay them today to help provide through this time when many are out of work. Lastly, when it's safe to do so, coordinate with the artist to deliver the product or experience.
- The **Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens** is bringing the zoo to you! Visit their [Facebook page](#) every weekday at 2 pm for live streams featuring different animals.
- Join **Orlando Regional History Center's** chief curator, Pam Schwartz, for a [Facebook Live](#) Lunch & Learn on Friday, April 3 from 12-1pm EST to hear about Central Florida's culinary prowess of yesteryear.
- **Orlando Science Center** "At Home" is a collection of [activities, and resources and science experiments](#) you can do at home.

Around The Horn.

- **MLS** announced the launch of **MLS Unites**, a [program that will capture and amplify the efforts of the league, teams, players and fans](#) during the coronavirus pandemic.
- **WrestleMania 36** will mark [Fox's first foray](#) into the business of **WWE** pay-per-views. When you add in replays of the 2020 Royal Rumble, free WrestleMania kick-off shows, as well as condensed versions of previous WrestleManias, **FS1** is airing 22 hours of WWE content this week.
- **UCF** signee Isaiah Adams is [first Knight to earn Florida Mr. Basketball honors.](#)
- Like Michael Jordan and the 1997-98 Chicago Bulls, **ESPN's** "The Last Dance" cannot be held back. Years in the making and originally scheduled to launch in June, the [long-awaited 10-part documentary](#) about the Jordan-led team's pursuit

of its sixth and final championship instead will run on five successive Sunday nights, beginning on April 19.

- Head to **Orlando City Soccer Club**'s twitter page and [snag some new wallpaper](#) for your favorite mobile device.
- The **Orlando Magic** shared several [essential new backgrounds](#) to spice up your next Zoom meeting.
- The 2020 **Wimbledon** Championships [has been cancelled](#) due to public health concerns linked to the coronavirus. The 134th Championships will instead be staged from June 28 - July 11, 2021.

In The News.

- **Disney Parks** [donated 150,000 rain ponchos to MedShare](#), a humanitarian aid organization, for distribution to hospitals in need.
- **Puff 'n Stuff Catering** is now offering Family Meal Kits for 4! Bonus: Now through April 30, for every family meal that is purchased, they will donate one to a team member. [View the Orlando menu options here.](#)
- The **Orlando Economic Partnership** launched the **#PickUpOrlando** [social media campaign to support local businesses](#), large and small, who continue to provide essential services during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Uber** committed to [providing 300,000 free meals on Uber Eats](#) to first responders and healthcare workers in the US and Canada.

Fun & Games.

- [Staying sharp while staying home](#)
- [Fun STUFF](#)
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