



Impact Update for Tuesday, April 21



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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“Never give up! Failure and rejection are only the first step to succeeding.”

– Jim Valvano

Local Resources.

- Visit these pages for the most critical local health and government updates:
 - [City of Orlando](#)
 - [Orange County](#)
 - [Osceola County](#)
 - [Lake County](#)
 - [Seminole County](#)
- Officials are working on ways to safely re-open the economy. **Orange County Mayor Jerry Demings** sat down with **WKMG's Justin Warmoth** to [discuss the county's response to the pandemic so far and what needs to happen](#) before residents can go back to work.
- **Orange County Mayor Jerry L. Demings** announced the creation of the 'Orange County Economic Recovery Task Force,' [to work on a measured approach to restarting the local economy](#). It will be co-chaired by **Visit Orlando President George Aguel** and **Tim Giuliani, President of the Orlando Economic Partnership**.
- A reminder on the updated **CDC** criteria of those eligible to be tested for COVID-19. Testing is available to **1)** individuals with respiratory symptoms and pre-existing medical conditions, regardless of age, **2)** all first responders and healthcare workers, regardless of symptoms, and **3)** anyone who has had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, regardless of symptoms. Greater Orlando has three drive-up testing sites available:
 - **Orange County Convention Center:** Opens at 9am and supports up to 750 tests daily. Additional information [here](#). Directions and map [here](#).
 - **UCF's Garage A:** Opens at 9am on weekdays, by appointment only. More information [here](#).
 - **Mall at Millenia:** Open seven days a week from 9am-2pm. Click [here](#) for more information. Click [here](#) to register.
 - ***New* Seminole Towne Center:** Open Monday-Friday from 9am-2pm. Click [here](#) for more information. Click [here](#) to register.
- The **Florida Department of Health in Orange County** is partnering with **Orange County Government** and the **City of Orlando** to offer free, mobile testing at

multiple sites throughout the county. Starting Monday, April 20, the Florida Department of Health in Orange County will offer free COVID-19 testing to residents of Orange County, Florida. **There is no criteria for Orange County residents to be tested at these sites - **ANY** resident can be tested.** The sites are open during weekdays only. Residents may drive or walk-up for testing, but official appointments are required and individuals must be 18 years and older. Testing activities will sustain as long as supplies last. [Click here for additional information](#), including addresses and hours for all five testing sites, and to schedule an appointment.

- Starting Monday, April 20, **Orange County Public Schools** 'Grab-and-Go Meals' for students are being bundled to pick-up on three days of the week. On Mondays and Wednesdays, two days of meals will be distributed; and on Fridays, three days of meals will be distributed. **There will be no longer be meal pick-ups on Tuesdays and Thursdays.** For more information on these updates, [click here](#).
- **Orlando Economic Partnership (OEP)** offers small businesses access to its [Business Recovery Assistance & Collaborative Engagement \(BRACE\) program](#). **BRACE** is a free service available to small businesses in the 7-county Orlando region.
- **Hire Day Orlando**, Orlando's largest annual career fair from **OrlandoJobs.com**, has been extended through Thursday, April 30. [Click here](#) to search through more than 1,300 available job postings from 70+ Central Florida employers who are actively hiring, or will be hiring once the crisis passes.

"Families know that in times like this, they can turn to Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida and their more than 550 partner food agencies across our community."
See Second Harvest story below...

Stay Engaged.

- We hope you will join us in supporting the **WESH 2 Project Community Day of Giving**, benefiting **Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida**. Second Harvest has been working non-stop to meet the need for food, which has increased in Central Florida by 90 percent. They are now delivering 300,000 meals each day to neighbors in our community. Your \$1 gift will provide 4 meals. Your gift on

Tuesday, April 21 will be matched by the owners of **Amerifactors**, up to \$100,000. Click [here](#) to learn more. [Click here to donate now](#).

- **Special Olympics Florida** launched a new challenge: **Fit 5 Like a Pro**, in partnership with world-class athletes, is offering 30 days of inclusive Fit 5 exercises that are appropriate for a variety of skill levels. Follow along on social media - they'll post a new video every day at 11 a.m. on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#).
- Join the **First Tee of Central Florida** for a series of [free 30 minute Virtual Sessions, beginning Tuesday, April 21 at 4:30pm](#). Participants will learn about the game of golf, rules and etiquette along with The First Tee Code of Conduct and The First Tee Nine Core Values. No Clubs? No Problem. They will provide alternatives to activities that do not need clubs.
- Let's be honest - you're either playing **Animal Crossing**, or you know someone who is. Upgrade your experience with artwork from the **J. Paul Getty Museum's** collection - [more than 70,000 artworks can now be imported into Animal Crossing](#), thanks to an open-source online tool and the museum's open-access collection.
- **Orange County Animal Services** is 'unleashing' virtual pet adoptions for select pets. All of the [animals pictured here are candidates for the program](#) - they have been spayed or neutered, vaccinated and microchipped, and are eligible for immediate adoption. More information can be found on the [OCAS Facebook page](#).
- **Orange County** students (Grades 4 – 7) are invited to write a poem to promote recycling right! Top entries will win a prize. Send an email to Solid.Waste@ocfl.net for the contest rules and an entry form.
- The **Downtown Development Board** has [curated a list of fun activities](#) you can do from the comfort of your home, from cooking with **Orlando City** and **Orlando Pride** soccer players to online classes through **Orange County Regional History Center**.
- Learn about how Floridians contributed to the war effort at home and abroad during World War II in [this online exhibit](#) on **FloridaMemory.com**.
- **Orlando City's** new Kids Corner [has activities available to download](#), from coloring pages to word searches.
- **Planet Fitness** is making it easy to stay in shape from home, even if you aren't a member. Tune into [Facebook Live](#) for daily "Home Work-Ins" at 7pm featuring Planet Fitness trainers and special guests. Each workout is also available to view on the [Planet Fitness Facebook page](#) and [YouTube channel](#) after the broadcast is over.

Around The Horn.

- **Shaquem and Shaquill Griffin**, former **UCF Football** stars and current **Seattle Seahawks**, [will be the commencement speakers at UCF's spring 2020 virtual commencement ceremonies](#) scheduled for May 2.
- The **Buccaneers** are bringing fans together (online) to share in the excitement of the **2020 NFL Draft** with a **Virtual Draft Party** presented by Miller Lite this **Thursday, April 23**. Hosted by team reporter Casey Phillips and Scott Smith, the virtual event will feature interviews, draft analysis, giveaways and more! [Attend the Virtual Draft Party by joining the Official Fans Group on Facebook](#).
- On Thursday, April 23, **Full Sail University** is hosting the **FS Open Charity Tournament**, a public **Rocket League** [tournament open to anyone in North America](#). Participants who enter won't just be competing for glory and sweet gear, as all proceeds will go directly to **Feeding America**. And if you're curious about esports or Rocket League but aren't quite ready to show off your skills, you can watch the **Armada** - Full Sail's collegiate esports team - compete [live on Twitch!](#)
- Following **Governor DeSantis'** announcement mandating schools continue distance learning for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year, [FHSAA state series and championship events for spring sports have been cancelled](#).
- The **Orlando Magic** and its partners have launched a [COVID-19 resource site](#) to provide additional aid to Central Florida.
- **Orlando City coach Oscar Pareja** wants his players to focus on one thing during the **MLS** shutdown — gratitude. During the past four weeks of the **MLS** training moratorium, Pareja has coordinated a [weekly series of motivational speakers to help his players focus on their mental and spiritual health off the pitch](#).
- A number of youth sports industry leaders, including the **AAU's Roger Goudy** and **US Youth Soccer CEO Skip Gilbert**, spoke to the **Associated Press** about [the future of youth sports coming out of the pandemic](#).
- The **NCAA** is expected to take a giant step toward [establishing a groundbreaking name, image and likeness marketplace](#) this week when college leaders meet on April 24 to discuss NIL parameters.
- The world slowing down doesn't mean your training has to. **Major League Soccer** collected the best at-home training drills from around the league to get you ready to dominate when we all get back on the field. [STAY HOME. LACE UP. LET'S GO.](#)
- Last week, the **PGA Tour** announced plans to return to action in mid-June. [Here are the latest updates](#) on the revised event schedule.
- Despite the disruption to the spring regatta schedule, **USRowing** will be creating [virtual versions of their races in coming weeks](#), including allowing regional qualifiers to compete in a "virtual" youth national championship regatta.
- **US Soccer's #USMNTClassics** takes you back to the USA's 4-3 come-from-behind victory against the **Netherlands** on June 5, 2015. Join Danny Williams, Deandre

Yedlin and host John Champion for a pregame chat at 7:30pm ET before #NEDvUSA at 8pm ET. Watch on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), or [USSoccer.com](#).

- From the **Orlando Sentinel's Mike Bianchi**: Happy 75th birthday, **Steve Spurrier!** [Thanks for decades of funning, gunning, cunning football.](#)
- **BMW** is revving up its **esports** presence today, as the automaker [announced that it has signed global partnerships with five top esports organizations](#), spanning more than five countries and three continents.

In The News.

- **Track Shack owners Jon and Betsy Hughes** spoke to the **Orlando Sentinel** about the measures they are taking - including a new virtual race series - [to keep their business of 40 years up and running](#) during the pandemic.
- **Fanatics** is partnering with pro leagues and sports teams to sell branded cloth face coverings, with 100 percent of all proceeds being donated to various organizations. The **Orlando Magic** [branded cloth face coverings](#) will benefit **Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida**. The **Orlando City** [branded cloth face coverings](#) (along with all **MLS** branded coverings) will benefit **Feeding America** and **Food Banks Canada**.
- **Seminole State College** is proud to share the stories of several former softball student-athletes who are now part of medical teams working on the front lines in their communities. Learn more about [Dreya Monayarij](#) and [Sam Forsberg](#).
- During times of uncertainty, you may find yourself feeling a little more anxious or stressed out. **Orlando Health** clinical dietitian **Michael Arp** explains [how a well-balanced diet can offer both proper nutrition and an elevated mood](#) overall.
- From the **Orlando Sentinel**: [Orlando charities offer lots of ways to help during coronavirus crisis.](#)
- From the **Orlando Business Journal**: Child care, hotel program & more. How **AdventHealth** [prepped for coronavirus as it faces losing millions](#) of dollars in revenue.

Fun & Games.

- Orange County Sheriff's K-9 unit says Stay (Home). [Don't make them beg.](#)
- Who doesn't love a good [UCF Football sideline dance?](#)
- What's your Solar Bears [nickname?](#)
- Keep [working those basketball skills](#) with the Magic and the Jr. NBA.
- Disney's Animal Kingdom [has a new baby zebra!](#)
- A view that's [out of this world.](#)

- [Front line workers thanking front line workers.](#) Thanks OPD & OFD!
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