



## Impact Update for Tuesday, April 28



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, families, and small business owners who may be able to take advantage of the resources and programming options listed below.

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“Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.”

– John Wooden  
Hall of Fame College Basketball Coach

## 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](#)
- **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** said [an announcement about when he would be reopening the state would be coming on Wednesday, April 29](#). His current stay-at-home order expires Thursday, April 30.
- The **Orange County Economic Recovery Task Force** held its second meeting this afternoon. More information, including video recordings of past meetings and copies of presentations, [can be found here](#). The task force was established to develop a phased approach to reopening business in **Orange County**.
- The below COVID-19 testing sites are open to anyone who meets the **CDC's** criteria, including **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.
  - **Orange County Convention Center:** Additional info [here](#). Directions [here](#).
  - **UCF's Garage A:** By appointment only. More information [here](#).
  - **Mall at Millenia:** By appointment only. Click [here](#) for more information. Click [here](#) to register.
  - **Seminole Towne Center:** By appointment only. Click [here](#) for more information. Click [here](#) to register.
  - **\*NEW\* Osceola Heritage Park:** By appointment only. Click [here](#) for more information. Click [here](#) to register.
  - **\*NEW\* Lake Sumter State College:** By appointment only. Click [here](#) for more information. Click [here](#) to register.

- The **Florida Department of Health in Orange County** announced [a second round of free, mobile COVID-19 Testing in Orange County from April 27-May 1](#). Orange County residents can secure an appointment by calling DOH-Orange's COVID-19 Call Center at 407-723-5004. The Call Center is open Monday-Friday, 8am - 5pm each day. There is no criteria for testing, but appointments are required and individuals must be 18+.
- **THIS WEEK ONLY:** To better serve **Orange County** residents in zip codes that have been identified as "hot zones" for COVID-19, **Orange County Health Services** will offer free testing sites within **32824** and **32822** zip codes for this week only. There is no criteria for testing, but online appointments are required and individuals must be 18+ and an Orange County resident. [Click here for more information and to make your appointment.](#)
- As of Monday, April 27 at 10:30am ET, the **Small Business Administration** has [resumed accepting Payroll Protection Plan \(PPP\) loan applications](#) from approved lenders on behalf of any eligible borrower.
- **Hire Day Orlando**, Orlando's largest annual career fair from **OrlandoJobs.com**, will conclude this 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.
- Wondering if you are wearing your face mask correctly? **Dr. Rachel Prete** from **Orlando Health** [shared safe mask practices](#) with **WESH2 News**.
- In most cases, people with coronavirus have mild to moderate symptoms and can recover safely at home. But what does that process look like? **AdventHealth** recently shared a [blog to help people understand diagnosis and recovery](#).
- **Career Source of Central Florida** is continuing to provide a [variety of community and business resources online](#), for both employers and job seekers.

"Our first priority has always been the safety of our guests and Team Members. Hilton CleanStay builds on the best practices and protocols we've developed over the last several months..."

**-Hilton President & CEO Christopher J. Nassetta**

*See story below.*

**Stay Engaged.**

- **Track Shack** launched a new online store and is excited to be able to provide this new shopping experience to their customers - they even have virtual fittings available by request. [Check it out!](#)
- Squinching, placemaking, Newton's Laws of Motion, and vector paths. These are just a few of the tools and techniques the **Universal Creative** team uses to bring to life the many attractions and worlds you can experience at **Universal Orlando Resort**. [Take a peak behind the curtain and learn the science behind some of your favorite rides](#) with **#UniversalAtHome**.
- If you've never participated in a **Special Olympics** Dance Party, you're missing out! [Join their athletes on Wednesday, April 29 in celebration of International Dance Day](#). Just put your favorite song on, jam out, and tag **@SpecialOlympics** and **#InternationalDanceDay** in your posts!
- Did you know that the laws for fertilizer are different in **Orange, Volusia and Seminole Counties**? Growing plants and turf can be challenging in Florida's sandy soils! Attend a virtual workshop on May 11, co-hosted by the **University of Florida Institute of Food & Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)** extension program in partnership with Seminole County, to [learn the science behind having a beautiful yard](#).
- Here's a quick [20 minute HIIT workout](#) from our friends at **Orlando Health National Training Center**, guaranteed to get you sweating in a short amount of time! Keep an eye on their [Facebook page](#) for new workouts posted regularly.
- **Orlando City's** **#StayAtHome** HQ provides [access to many resources while we're all at home](#), from community updates, to the Kids Corner, to cooking videos.
- **Orlando Science Center** is here to help you learn something new, combat boredom and chase away the blues during these challenging times. [Explore and enjoy videos, blogs, activities, and more!](#)
- **Red Bull, Riot Games and Battlefy** have united to bring you the all-new League of Legends gaming series, **Red Bull Power Spike**. US players can log on to the official **League of Legends Discord channel** to compete in daily 1v1 tournaments for a chance to win awesome prizes, gear and the exclusive Discord role title of "Red Bull Power Strike Winner." [Learn more and register now](#).
- Today's **#DisneyMagicMoment** is [a special pre-recorded viewing of the "Happily Ever After" nighttime spectacular](#) at **Magic Kingdom Park**, and you have the best seat in the house! Watch as the castle you know so well becomes a canvas for the heart-tugging story of the importance of chasing your dreams.

## Around The Horn.

- **Orlando Magic CEO Alex Martins** recently sat down for an interview with the **Orlando Sentinel**. Martins credits his days as a student in **Villanova's** sports information office for [sparking his love for working in sports](#).
- The **NFL Draft** [attracted a record 8.4 million viewers over all three days](#), according to the **NFL** and **Nielsen** (the previous high was 6.2 million last year). Thursday's first round averaged 15.6 million viewers, with [a peak of 19.6 million](#) - that's a 37% increase compared to last year.
- Former **UCF receiver Gabriel Davis** saw his lifelong dream of playing in the **NFL** become a reality. The **Buffalo Bills** [selected Davis with the No. 128 overall pick](#) in the fourth round of the draft. Three more Knights have also reportedly [signed undrafted free agent deals to begin their professional careers](#).
- The **Ultimate Fighting Championship** [will make its Jacksonville debut next month](#) - albeit without fans - with the promotion's **UFC 249** coming to town on May 9, with the potential for more events after that. The events will be held with only essential personnel, but will be streamed and televised on **ESPN** and **ESPN+**.
- The **NBA** shared that [it is targeting no earlier than May 8 to allow limited, individual workouts](#) in cities not subject to government restrictions, and that it may push this timing back if developments warrant.
- **FIFA** announced it is [releasing around \\$150M to its national associations whose finances have been badly affected](#) by the coronavirus pandemic. **FIFA president Gianni Infantino** described it as the "first step" in a wider plan to assist those struggling due to the COVID-19 outbreak.
- Commentary from the **Orlando Sentinel's Mike Bianchi**: [Saluting spring sports seniors and the entire high school class of 2020](#).
- **Florida high school football programs** were supposed to huddle up under sunny skies for the first day of spring practices on Monday afternoon. Instead, many coaches and players in the Orlando area [will log onto online platforms from home](#).
- As the **Solar Bears** representative for the **Professional Hockey Players' Association**, **Alexander Kuqali** is [assisting in the development of a league-wide relief fund](#) for players and their families.
- **Churchill Downs** announced plans to celebrate the first Saturday in May, the traditional date of the annual **Kentucky Derby**, by [hosting a day-long at-home Kentucky Derby party to raise \\$2 million for COVID-19 emergency relief efforts](#). Fans can tune in to the special broadcast on **NBC** on **May 2, from 3 to 6 p.m. ET**, which will include **Churchill Downs'** first ever virtual horse race. The computer-simulated version of a race will feature the **13 past Triple Crown winners** and use data algorithms to determine the probability of their potential finishing positions.
- [Get your #AllforORL t-shirt](#) in **Orlando City** and **Orlando Pride** colors today - all proceeds will be donated to the **Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida**.

## In The News.

- **Hilton** announced [a new program to deliver an industry-defining standard of cleanliness and disinfection](#) in **Hilton** properties around the world. In a first for the hospitality business, **Hilton** will collaborate with **RB**, maker of **Lysol**, and consult with **Mayo Clinic** to develop elevated processes and Team Member training.
- **Tijuana Flats** announced the launch of “Restaurant Partners Helping Heroes,” a program to [bring restaurants in Florida together in a coordinated effort to raise funds to purchase and deliver food](#) to front-line medical and emergency workers across the state.
- As part of the ongoing **I-4 Ultimate** project, the eastbound **State Road (S.R.) 408 exit ramp to Orange Avenue (Exit 10C)** is [closing for approximately six months to allow crews to demolish the current exit ramp and rebuild a new one](#) to accommodate a wider eastbound S.R. 408.
- Since the temporary closure of its parks and resorts, **Walt Disney World** has [continued to focus on helping communities](#). Food donations and deliveries of medical-related supplies for hospitals and humanitarian groups, rain ponchos for nurses, Easter Lilies for seniors and even Disney treats for medical heroes.
- The **Orlando City Council** [signed off on changes to make dollars available](#) to the city’s **Main Street Districts**, such as **College Park** and **Mills 50**.
- **Universal Orlando** is [using 3D Printers to make much needed face-shields for healthcare workers](#). The 3D printers are normally used in a variety of ways, from prototyping models to making small components like **Volcano Bay’s** Tapu Tapu wristbands.
- **JetBlue** announced that it will become the first U.S. airline to require that its passengers wear face masks. [The new policy will go into effect on May 4](#), with every **JetBlue** passenger being required to cover their nose and mouth during check-in, boarding, in-flight and while deplaning. **American Airlines** and **Delta Air Lines** both announced that they will provide masks for passengers, though they won’t make it a requirement.

## Fun & Games.

- An epic [driveway baseball showdown](#) between Husband and Wife
- Worth a listen: [The first time TMac met Michael Jordan](#)
- Zoom backgrounds from [Downtown Orlando & Monster Jam](#)
- [Solar Bears Word Find](#)
- Loews Portofino Bay Hotel shares their [recipe for White & Green pizza](#)
- Vote for the Orlando City game [you want to see replayed on May 9](#)

- [It's time to have a little chat...](#) (about this cute dog)
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