

**Columbus County**  
**Novel Coronavirus**  
**Press Release**  
**March 24, 2020**

County Administration is closely monitoring information on COVID-19 for possible actions required to protect the health of county employees and citizens. Currently there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the county. We urge citizens to remain calm and take appropriate precautions. For more information and updates on COVID-19, please see the following press release from the Columbus County Health Department as well as other reputable websites: <http://www2.columbusco.org/health/coronavirus3.pdf>

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

<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/public-health/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19-response-north-carolina>

<http://columbusco.org>

**County Offices**

County Offices are currently operating on a regular or possibly modified schedule. We urge citizens to conduct their business with the county by telephone or email if possible. If you must come in person to county offices, please contact the office prior to arrival to be familiar with precautions that are in place to protect the public and county employees. Departments may be taking different precautionary measures based on the amount of foot traffic in each office. If you have a fever, cough, or difficulty breathing, do not enter county buildings. Please call the department you need to contact. Telephone numbers for each county department can be found at <http://columbusco.org>.

**Senior Centers**

Senior Centers will now be closed to the public. Delivery and curbside pickup of meals will continue. Please call ahead for instructions about Ensure purchases at the following locations:

Tabor City - 910-653-3063

Whiteville - 910-640-6602

East Columbus - 910-655-4754