

PRESS RELEASE:

As the COVID-19 pandemic spreads across the world, the U.S., the State of Michigan, and into Wexford County, the people of our hometown will have questions, concerns, and complaints related to the Emergency Executive Orders. This is an unprecedented situation for not only our federal, state, and local leaders but also for our friends, families, and neighbors. As local community leaders and agencies, we know that it is our duty to continue to provide services. It is also our duty, where we can, to provide some coordinated assistance in providing information, coordinate the reporting of concerns, and direct citizens to the proper source of information. We cannot give legal advice. We can, however, seek to share information between local agencies and direct people to available resources.

In an effort to do so, Jason Elmore, the Wexford County Prosecutor, has established a phone line and email address for citizens to submit questions, concerns, and complaints. This is being done with the cooperation of local city, county, and state police agencies; city and county administration and emergency services; and District Health Department #10. In doing so, we ask that all businesses, employers, groups, and individuals, please be patient and cooperative as well. Resources are limited. Please keep in mind the intent of the orders, such as the stay-at-home order, are to preserve and protect the lives of all members of our community. We all love our hometowns. It is up to us all do to our part to survive this situation together as a community. Our success depends upon us all making good choices for ourselves, our families, our employees, and our community. It is in times of adversity in which we must come together the most.

Please note that the hotlines may not be able to answer every question or respond to every concern. It is, however, an effort that our team is making in order to address the evolving situation.

Emails, which are preferred, may be addressed to covid19@wexfordcounty.org.

Voicemails may also be left to 231-942-7651. A person will not answer the call directly. Staff will review the voicemail messages and return calls as time permits.

Please provide your name, return contact information, and question, concern, or complaint. These lines will be monitored throughout the day. The prosecutor's staff will do its best, within its ethical obligations, information, and resources to provide to responses.

Please note that each of the Emergency Executive Orders and related frequently asked questions and answers are available at www.michigan.gov/coronavirus.

Moreover, one may also find valuable information at www.dhd10.org and www.munsonhealthcare.org. You may also monitor the Facebook page for the Wexford County Prosecutor for information to frequently asked questions derived from these calls and emails.

Please join in our modified mission statement: It is only when we work together that we can make this a better and safer place to live and call home.

Jason Elmore

Wexford County Prosecutor

On behalf of those who serve the citizens, businesses, and employers of Wexford County