

## COVID-19 IN BLOOMINGTON AND MONROE COUNTY

Since the COVID-19 crisis ramped up in recent weeks, every elected official at every level has been working diligently to anticipate its impact on our residents and to move forward with strategies that protect community members – both individuals and businesses – from the worst of its consequences. The City of Bloomington and City Council representatives are no exception.

### What have we accomplished so far?

- **Continuity of Government** – A city's first obligation is always to ensure that essential government functions continue uninterrupted during a crisis. Toward that end, the City has established rigorous protocols to prevent disease transmission and preserve normal functions, with particular attention to water utilities, sanitation and fire and police protection.
- **Collaboration With County and State Leaders** – By law, some powers and responsibilities reside with government entities *other than* the City. The Monroe County Health Department is charged with informing people about health issues and developing the policies and plans that support individual and community health. Similarly, the Governor has the authority to declare a state of emergency that closes restaurants and bars. We are working in partnership with these colleagues every day to help ensure that our response is clear and coordinated.
- **Responding to Financial Hardship** – The Department of Economic and Sustainable Development is working with local businesses that have seen a staggering drop in revenue and is identifying sources of immediate and long term financial support. The City of Bloomington Utilities has discontinued service disconnections and is expanding support programs for customers who are unable to pay their bills. We are actively exploring more such measures.

Where can I get good information about COVID-19 and local resources?

Two websites have impressed me the most:

[WWW.CDC.GOV/CORONAVIRUS/2019-NCOV](http://WWW.CDC.GOV/CORONAVIRUS/2019-NCOV)

[WWW.MONROECOUNTYCOVID-19.ORG](http://WWW.MONROECOUNTYCOVID-19.ORG)

[WWW.OPENFORBLOOMINGTON.COM](http://WWW.OPENFORBLOOMINGTON.COM)

## PILOT PROJECT: LOWER CASCADES ROAD CONVERSION

Starting Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, a .6-mile section of Old State Road 37 North was converted to a trail for bicyclists and pedestrians. Barricades identify the south end of the trail (near the Rogers Group Quarry entrance) and its north end (near the entrance to the playground parking lot). **Plans call for Old State Road 37 North to be closed to motorists for this pilot through Wednesday, September 30, 2020.**

One of seven public amenity improvements being funded by City Bicentennial Bonds issued in 2018, the pilot trail project is intended to expand and integrate with Bloomington's network of walking and bicycling trails; provide a safe, accessible destination for recreation and exercise; and offer bicycle commuters additional options for safer routes.

**YOUR FEEDBACK MATTERS! PLEASE SHARE YOUR REACTIONS TO THIS PILOT PROJECT:**

**Take the Online Survey:**

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/7VDP2BF](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7VDP2BF)

**E-Mail Sue:**

[Sue.Sgambelluri@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:Sue.Sgambelluri@bloomington.in.gov)

**Message the Parks Department:**

[www.bloomington.in.gov/ureport](http://www.bloomington.in.gov/ureport)



## WHEN IS THE PRIMARY ELECTION?



**Early Voting Plans Still TBD**  
**Primary Election Day – June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

## WHERE DO I VOTE?

**Primary Election Day – At Your Polling Site**  
Genesis Church – Arlington Heights School –  
UU Church – Indiana Memorial Union

## WHO WILL I SEE ON MY BALLOT?

### COUNTY RACES

#### COUNTY COUNCIL AT LARGE (Vote for Three)

Karl Boehm (D)  
Trent Deckard (D)  
Geoff McKim (D)  
Cheryl Munson (D)  
Dominic Thompson (D)  
  
James Allen (R)  
Zachary Weisheit (R)

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DISTRICT 2

Julie Thomas (D)  
  
Randy Paul (G)

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DISTRICT 3

Penny Githens (D)

#### AUDITOR:

Cathy Smith (D)

#### TREASURER:

Jessica McClellan (D)

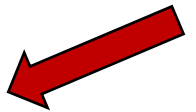
#### CORONER:

Joani Shields (D)

#### SURVEYOR:

Trohn Enright-Randolph (D)

## BETTER YET ... VOTE BY MAIL!



Fill out and return your  
Absentee Ballot Application:

[https://www.co.monroe.in.us/egov/documents/  
1585574848\\_70774.pdf](https://www.co.monroe.in.us/egov/documents/1585574848_70774.pdf)

Note: Completed apps must arrive at the  
Monroe County Election Office by May 21<sup>st</sup>..

### NATIONAL RACES

#### US REPRESENTATIVE

D. Liam Norris (D)  
Brandon Hood (D)  
James C. O'Gabhann III (D)  
Mark J. Powell (D)  
Andy Ruff (D)

Trey Hollingsworth (R)

### STATE RACES

#### GOVERNOR

Woodrow (Woody) Myers (D)  
  
Eric Holcomb (R)

#### STATE SENATE – DISTRICT 40

John Zody (D)  
Shelli Yoder (D)  
Trent Feuerbach (D)

Gregory E. Steuerwald (R)

### JUDICIAL RACES

#### CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE – DIVISION 1

Geoff Bradley (D)  
Alphonso Manns (D)  
  
Carl Lamb (R)

#### CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE – DIVISION 2

Valerie Haughton (D)

#### CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE – DIVISION 8

Jeff Kehr (D)  
Kara Elaine Krothe (D)  
  
Judith Benckart (R)