

Project H.O.P.E. of Cleveland, Inc

What do I need to know about businesses reopening during the Covid-19 pandemic?

- Continue to only go out when you **absolutely must**. (grocery shopping, doctor's appointments, etc...)
- You are not required to **wear a mask** when you go out, but it is highly recommended in order to help keep germs from spreading.
- Avoid touching your face.
- **Wash your hands** with soap and water or use hand sanitizer often, especially:
 - When preparing food
 - Before eating
 - After coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose
 - After caring for anyone who is ill
 - After touching bodily fluid
 - After using the bathroom or changing a diaper
 - After touching or taking care of your pets
 - After touching garbage
- Maintain social distance (at least **6 feet apart**) from other people who do not live with you.

When you do go to a business, you should expect:

- them to keep you 6 feet apart from other people
- Access to hand sanitizer
- Some stores may require you to wear a mask, and others may not.
- Special shopping hours for people at higher risk of getting sick
- You may have to stagger entry to stores with other customers or need an appointment at certain places.
- Curb-side pickup may be available at certain stores.
- You may not be able to return items at certain stores.
- If you have an appointment for a service, you may need to wait in your vehicle or outside until they are ready to see you.

Try to allow for extra time when you go out to run errands, as they may take longer than usual.

You are considered "high risk" for getting sick if you are over 65 years old OR have a medical condition such as: Chronic lung disease (Asthma, COPD), Heart disease, Diabetes, Obesity, Chronic kidney disease on dialysis, Liver disease **or** you are immune compromised because of a disease or medication you take

This means you should:

- **continue to stay home as much as possible**
- **use special shopping hours**
- **Avoid people who are not wearing a mask in public**

The government has said it is ok to open the following businesses:

- Medical services, dentists, veterinarians (call before going to the doctor)
- Outdoor visitation at assisted living facilities
- Grocery stores
- Pharmacies
- Gas stations
- Hotels/ motels
- Bussing and transportation (for essential travel only)
- general office work environments
- Consumer, retail, and services
- Restaurants and bars (many have made it easier to continue to do carryout/ delivery)
- Salons and barber shops, tattoo parlors, massage therapy
- Campgrounds
- Gyms/ fitness centers and pools (Some pools may remain closed)
- Ohio BMV
- Low/ non-contact sports open
- Childcare/ day camps open
- Catering/ banquet centers
- Places of worship
- Entertainment/ recreation locations open **June 10**

If you are not sure if a business is open, call them ahead of time to check.

Businesses that are still closed:

- Adult daycares and senior centers
- Adult day support and habilitation services in group settings
- Rooming and boarding houses, workers' camps

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