## **DALLAS COUNTY**

## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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Policy Statement: COVID-19 Precautions

Dallas County Board of Supervisors value the safety and well-being of the community members and our employees. As the State of Iowa continues to ease regulatory restrictions in areas impacted by COVID-19 the Dallas County Board of Supervisors continue to ensure reasonable precautions are implemented to slow the spread of COVID-19 and protect the safety of those we serve. The Dallas County Board of Supervisors continues to encourage all citizens to take the following precautions during normal routines and when conducting business with Dallas County.

- Stay home when even mildly ill (the kind of illness that normally wouldn't prevent you from your everyday activities)
- Limit social gatherings to only members of the same household who reside together.
- Call your doctor if you develop symptoms such as a cough, fever, or shortness of breath, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your elbow/upper arm and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Wear a facial mask when making essential trips where distancing is not possible.
- Maintain a 6-foot distance from people outside your household, including co-workers when possible.

In addition to public health mitigation practices, several Dallas County Departments have implemented additional precautions to reduce the risk of exposure to the public and employees, these measures include, but are not limited to;

- Installation of transparent protective shields in areas of frequent face-to-face interaction.
- Increased daily sanitization schedule in accordance with CDC Guidelines.
- Conduct web or telephone based meeting or use scheduled appointments to minimize congregation.
- Increased signage related to public health mitigation measures, including encouraging the use of facial masks while conducting county business.
- Placement of adequately spaced floor markers.
- Relaxed leave policies for employees who are potentially ill.