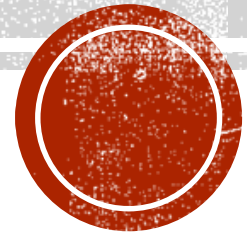


CO COVID RELIEF PACKAGE & TESTING

Summary of available funds from legislative special session
and updates on community testing



COMMUNITY TESTING – DECEMBER 17 & 18



FREE COMMUNITY TESTING

Curative PCR tests will show individuals a snapshot of if they are actively infected with the virus. The event will be free and open to anyone who wishes to receive a test.

Thursday, December 17 Crested Butte Fire Station #4 (Buckhorn Airport) 104 S. Avion Dr	Friday, December 18 Gunnison Gunnison County Fairgrounds
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Please register by scanning the QR code for your testing site.

*Open your cell phone camera and point it at the QR code to scan

Both sites will operate from 7:00 am – 5:00 pm. Lines will close at 5:00 pm, those in line at 5:00 pm will get tested. Please do not eat, drink or smoke anything 20 minutes prior to testing.



- Free community COVID-19 testing
- All are welcome
- Please register in advance
- 12/17/20 – Crested Butte area
- <https://curative.com/sites/15529/walakup#9/38.8309/-106.9095>
- 12/18/20 – Gunnison area
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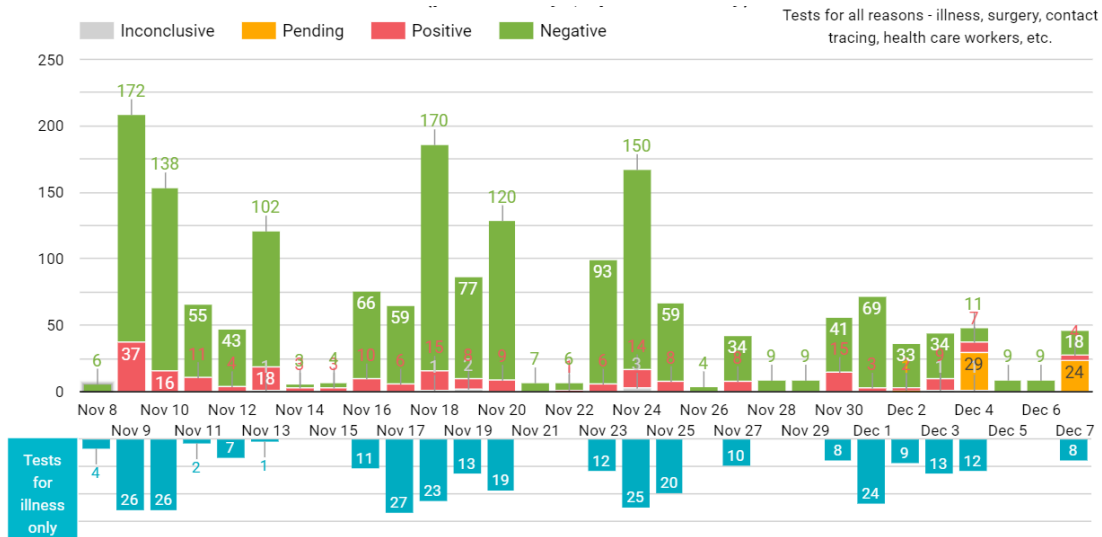


COMMUNITY TESTING & THE CORONAMETER

- There is a misperception that increased testing means more restrictions
- We will catch additional positive tests both symptomatic and asymptomatic
- We will also likely find many more negative tests which ultimately lowers our positivity rate
 - As mentioned on previous calls, much of our current testing is symptomatic people and contact tracing
- The goal is to find people who are positive and may not know and to prevent another generation of sickness



COMMUNITY & COVID-19 TESTING



- 594 Positives
- 5,702 Negatives
- 59 Pending
- 10.91% positivity rate as of 12/7
- 348.7 per 100,000 incidence rate
- 3 or more days with 3 positive tests in a 7 day window



HB20B-1004 QUALIFIED RETAILER RETAIN SALES TAX FOR ASSISTANCE

- Qualified Retailer Retain Sales Tax for Assistance
- Allows for a temporary deduction of state net taxable sales (2.9%) for qualifying retailers
- Alcoholic beverages drinking places, restaurants, food trucks, and other eating places (i.e. businesses with food service widely construed).
- Qualifying retailers can temporarily deduct State portion of sales tax (net-taxable sales up to \$70,000 in sales) from November 2020 – through February 2021
 - Roughly \$2,000 in sales tax per retailer
 - Up to five sites for an individual retailer
 - *Since November sales tax filings due soon, please contact your accountant/bookkeeper for more information*



SB20B-001 COVID-19 RELIEF FOR SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES AND ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

- COVID-19 Relief Small and Minority Businesses and Arts Organizations
- **Gunnison County is not in high enough levels of restriction to access the main \$37 million that is available in the bill**
 - **This is targeted to specific sectors, bars, restaurants, movie theaters**
- However, funds will be available for the waiver of specific retail food licenses (\$6.7 million) and liquor licenses (\$1.8 million) in 2021
 - Local governments will receive funds to cover this cost
- Also \$4 million statewide will be available through OEDIT for woman, minority-owned businesses. *Structure for dispersal note yet fully clear.*
 - *Dispersal will be established by the Minority Business Office of OEDIT*
- \$7 million available to arts organizations, artists, and other creatives
 - Administered by the Creative Industries Division of OEDIT
 - *Capital projects likely eligible but might have to be in a Creative District?*



HB20B-1002 EMERGENCY RELIEF PROGRAMS FOR CHILD CARE SECTOR

- Creation of two distinct emergency relief grant programs to existing licensed and start-up child care providers.
 - The sustainability grant program will be administered by CO Department of Human Services. This is intended to support licensed providers and particularly those facing potential closure due to the pandemic. Formula, criteria and grant timeline will be determined by 1/31/20. Capacity will be a key consideration in allocations of awards.
 - Grants from \$500 - \$35,000.
 - The emerging and expanding child care grant. This grant program is intended for licensed providers (new or existing) who intend to expand or create new services. Includes staff training, background check fees, cleaning supplies, educational supplies, and capital or facility improvement costs.
 - Grant from \$3,000-\$50,000.



SB20B-002 HOUSING & DIRECT COVID EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

- \$54 million transferred from the General Fund to housing development grant fund for emergency housing and direct assistance
- Creates Emergency Direct Assistance Grant Program which will help DOH provide to those impacted by the pandemic who could not access other housing resources
- Funds must be used by June 30, 2021



SB20B-003 MONEY FOR ENERGY UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE

- The bill moves funding from the General Fund to provide to Energy Outreach Colorado for additional utility assistance.
- This is a \$5 million allocation that must be spent by July 25, 2021 and the remaining funds will be returned to the State from EOC
- EOC Bill Payment Assistance can be accessed by contacting Gunnison County Health and Human Services



HB20B-1003 FOOD PANTRY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

- Food Pantry Assistance Grant Program
- Expands and extends the existing Food Pantry Assistance Grant Program. Eligible food banks and food pantries (including faith-based organizations) can seek grants through February 28, 2021. All funds to be appropriated by March 31, 2021.
 - Food purchased must be dispersed by July 31, 2021
 - Removes the cap of \$35,000 on previous grant requests. The cap for direct and indirect expenses increases to 20%.
 - Grant allocations will not be tied to county risk level on the state dial.
- Allows for higher administrative uses
 - Food Delivery becomes an allowable expense.
- Adds \$5 million to be appropriated in new grants

