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Amador COVID-19 News

Amador County, CA – The surge of COVID-19 continues to decrease with 66 currently active cases in Amador County residents. Active case counts include confirmed lab results and supervised antigen tests but do not include self-administered home tests. Dashboard demographics and geographic data are updated on the Amador County website: <http://www.amadorgov.org/services/covid-19>. Sutter Amador Hospital currently has 9 patients hospitalized due to COVID illness, including 1 on a ventilator who is unvaccinated. Over the last week, 2 additional COVID deaths were confirmed, both females in their 70s.

Last week, California issued the [SMARTER Action Plan](#) detailing the next phase of the State's COVID-19 response. The plan includes details on vaccine effectiveness against hospitalization and serious illness; properly worn masks; and readiness to support the health care system and respond to respiratory virus outbreaks. Key points to the action plan may be accessed on the State's website: <https://covid19.ca.gov/smarter/>. In California, unvaccinated people are still required to wear masks indoors in public settings, and everyone in higher risk settings such as health care facilities and public transit continues to be required to mask statewide.

Because Amador remains a high transmission area, masking is still strongly recommended for everyone. Choose the most protective mask you can that fits well and that you will wear consistently. The federal government is distributing N95 masks to pharmacies that are also partners for vaccination: CVS, Safeway, Walgreens, and Walmart. These masks are available for free by request, 3 per person.

COVID-19 testing options within Amador and the surrounding areas are listed on the Amador County [Testing Sites website](#). The local OptumServe testing site operates on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 7 AM to 7 PM. Please register for this no-cost testing at the [lhi.care](#) website or by calling 1-888-634-1123. OptumServe may accommodate walk-ins on a limited basis. Masks are required at the testing site. To request 4 free at-home COVID-19 tests for your household, visit: <https://www.covidtests.gov/>. Anyone with any [symptoms](#), even fully vaccinated individuals, should isolate and test. If you test positive, please follow current [self-isolation](#) guidelines and inform your close contacts to [self-quarantine](#).

COVID-19 vaccines will be offered at a [free walk-in clinic](#) at Terra D'Oro Winery on Shenandoah School Road on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 from 9 AM to noon. No-cost COVID-19 vaccine clinics, located at the Health and Human Services Building, are held on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9 AM to 6 PM. To make an appointment visit the myturn.ca.gov website or call 1-833-422-4255. Walk-ins must arrive before 5:30 PM. To schedule an appointment for a homebound individual, call Amador Public Health at (209) 223-6407. Retail pharmacy COVID-19 vaccination availability may be checked at vaccines.gov.