

Effective Immediately, All Michigan Libraries Ordered to Close to the Public

March 16, 2020

Governor Whitmer has issued Executive Order 2020-9 which closes places of public accommodation including all libraries.

Beginning as soon as possible but no later than at 3:00 pm March 16, 2020, and continuing until March 30, 2020, at 11:59 pm, libraries are closed to “ingress, egress, use, and occupancy by members of the public”.

[View Executive Order 2020-9.](#)

More Information

Governor Whitmer has issued Executive Order 2020-9 which closes places of public accommodation including all libraries. [View Executive Order 2020-9](#) . [Read the press release.](#)

The CDC released updated guidelines on Sunday, March 15, recommending events and gatherings of more than 50 people be cancelled or postponed for the next eight weeks. [View the guidelines here.](#)

Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) released community mitigation strategies to slow the transmission of COVID-19 that urge residents to avoid gatherings of more than 100 people. [A video of Governor Whitmer's press conference is available here.](#)

View the [Michigan Department of Health and Human Services \(MDHHS\) Interim Recommendations for COVID-19 Community Mitigation Strategies](#)

The [World Health Organization \(WHO\) has declared COVID-19 a pandemic](#) . View more information at [wh](#)
[o.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019](#)

Please visit the American Library Association (ALA) [pandemic preparedness resource page](#) for more information about how libraries can be community partners in response to this outbreak.

[The Centers for Disease Control](#) provides updates on the virus and safety information for the public and healthcare professionals.

[The State of Michigan](#) provides updates on the disease's spread within the state, as well as frequently asked questions available [here](#) .

[The State Department](#) provides a list of travel advisories for those who are planning to fly outside of the United States.