

april 2020

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orange city, iowa



## 2020 census

Please check your mailboxes! You should have received the Census 2020 code for your address in the mail this week. It is not addressed with your name on it. It is addressed to "Resident." Do not throw that away thinking it is junk mail. The code for your address is enclosed in the envelope.

It's an easy process, it only takes a few minutes to complete! You will answer a simple questionnaire about yourself and everyone who is or will be living with you on April 1, 2020. *\*College students residence is determined by their location PRIOR to the COVID-19 pandemic.\**

During the 2020 Census, the Census Bureau will never ask you for:

- Your Social Security number
- Money or donations
- Anything on behalf of a political party
- Your bank or credit card account numbers

Additionally, there is no citizenship question on the 2020 Census.

Complete your survey by April 1 to avoid a follow-up from a census worker.



For every 1% undercount in the U.S. Census, Iowa loses \$53 million in federal funds.

## COVID-19 response

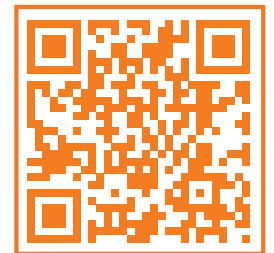
In continuing efforts to prioritize the health and safety of all Orange City community members, the City of Orange City, in collaboration with the CDC, Iowa Department of Health, Sioux County Community Health Partners, and the Orange City Area Health System, is providing the following information and updates.

Essential public services will continue to be provided, however, there may be some programs and facilities that are impacted by CDC and Iowa Department of Health recommendations.

The City Hall will be open for essential operations only. No recreation programs or facility rentals will be available until further notice. You may also find other City owned properties closed during the next several weeks as a precaution.

The Orange City Public Library will be closed to the public until further notice.

Trails and parks will be open to the public, but you may find restrooms closed. Please practice appropriate care and precautions when using these public spaces.



For the most up-to-date information.

## City operations are encouraged to be completed by phone, email, or other remote methods.

- For utility billing, payments can be put in our drop box at the City Hall. For billing questions, please call (712) 707-4885 or email [cityoc@orangecityiowa.com](mailto:cityoc@orangecityiowa.com).
- For building permits, contact Kurt Frederes (712) 707-4885 or email [code-enf@orangecityiowa.com](mailto:code-enf@orangecityiowa.com).
- For any other City services or to contact City staff, please call (712) 707-4885 between 7 AM and 4 PM, Monday through Friday.

## The City of Orange City reminds citizens:

- Please stay home if you are ill and avoid contact with others.
- Exercise appropriate hygiene in the event of coughing or sneezing.
- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based sanitizer as an alternative.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces, in addition to avoiding touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Practice social distancing and avoid any groups of 10 or more.
- Call your care provider in advance if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19.

## For additional information about COVID-19:

<https://idph.iowa.gov/Emerging-Health-Issues/Novel-Coronavirus>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

<https://www.ohealthsystem.org/coronavirus-covid-19-resources-and-information/>

<https://www.siouxcountychp.org/>

## For the most up-to-date information from the City of Orange City:

<https://orangecityiowa.com/covid/>

Thank you for your understanding during this challenging time. Let's be calm, patient, and support each other.

Deb De Haan - Mayor    Earl Woudstra - City Administrator

**SEASONAL  
NO PARKING  
OCT. 15 - APRIL 1  
2:00 AM TO 6:00 AM**

**Seasonal Parking Ends**  
The City of Orange City will lift the seasonal parking ban on April 1.

**mayor and council members contact info**

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**Bluestem Grill Open for Lunch**

The Bluestem Grill is located inside Landsmeer Golf Clubhouse at 902 7th St. NE. Open to the public for lunch Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 am until 1:30 pm  
Lunch specials available daily!



for the most current information  
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**free e-recycling program requires tag**

The Cities of Orange City & Alton are co-sponsoring a free e-recycling program on May 1 and 2, 2020.

All citizens of OC and Alton who would like to utilize the e-recycling program will need to go to City Hall to pick up a free tag. Your tag will be required before disposing of your recyclable items. You will need one tag regardless of number of items. If you do not have a tag, you will be asked to provide identification.

The following items are accepted:

- Computer monitors
- CPU's
- Keyboards
- Printers and mouse(s)
- Smaller batteries
- TV's

Items can be dropped off at Alton City Hall, 905 3rd Avenue on Friday, May 1, 4:00-7:00 pm and Saturday, May 2, 9:00 am -12:00 pm.

**april is national safe digging month (811)**

The State of Iowa, along with the City of Orange City, officially recognizes the month of April as National Safe Digging Month. For the past several years in Iowa, Common Ground Iowa and Iowa One Call have partnered together to promote Safe Digging Month in Iowa and National Safe Digging Month. Orange City Utilities would like to also join in this effort to make sure all of our residents remember Iowa One Call.

Please keep in mind that designating April as Safe Digging Month doesn't mean that excavation safety awareness and underground facility damage prevention practices shouldn't be embraced year-round. Good safety and damage prevention practices are always important to the wellbeing of everyone in Orange City and Iowa.

**it's time to shine**

OC's annual Spring Clean-Up, sponsored by the City of OC and OC Sanitation, will be held April 20-24. OC residents must purchase a \$10 lawn flag (one for each household) from the City Office (125 Central Ave. SE) or OC Sanitation (710 Ohio Ave. SW). Sanitation crews will only remove those items that have a special lawn flag displayed nearby. All disposed items must be placed at your usual pick-up site on your regular garbage pick-up day.

Allowable items: garage and home items, furniture/wood items, and mattresses/carpets. Non-allowable items: all appliances/white goods, TV's (may dispose of with e-recycling - see above), building-remodeling materials, wood chips, auto parts (tires, batteries, etc.), concrete, steel/iron, yard waste, tree branches, oil, yard chemicals, or wet paints. Special pick-up arrangements may be available for these items with OC Sanitation (737-2645).

