

## Santo Domingo Tribe

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TO: All Santo Domingo Tribal Members

RE: COVI -19 Safe Practices

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My fellow Tribal Members

I want to reach out to you so you can receive the latest updates as to how Santo Domingo Pueblo is working to prevent and fight the spread of the COVID-19 virus while still providing essential services to our tribal members.

As you know Tribal Programs main purpose is to provide services to our fellow tribal members. This comes in many ways, such as meals to our seniors and young students, transportation to medical appointments, in-home day care, Social Services, EMS first responders, Headstart, and many more. I want to assure you that although our Tribal Program offices are closed, essential services continue to be provided. We have safety measures in place to ensure our Tribal Program employees are providing essential services in the safest and most efficient way possible.

The medical professionals and support staff at the Kewa Health Clinic will continue to come to work every day to ensure that essential medical services for our community members continue with little disruption.

The employees at Kewa Gas and the Santo Domingo Tribal Housing Authority also continue to provide services.

I know during this time of uncertainty regarding the COVID -19 virus it's easy to think the worst. Let me assure you that the Tribal Administration is in daily communication with our medical professionals at the Kewa Health Clinic. And decisions that we make regarding the wellbeing of our community members is based off of scientific data and what is best for our community.

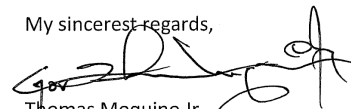
**Here are some safety precautions we can all do to help prevent the spread of this virus.**

- Stay at home except to seek essential services and materials such as work identified as essential, medical appointments, groceries/supplies, medications, etc.

- Refrain from gathering in any groups larger than 5 people, with the understanding that many of our households have more than 5 people in the home. In those cases, please limit contact to only those within that household.
- Limit contact with people outside your household members.
- Wash your hands often. The best method is to wash your hands with warm water and soap scrubbing for at least 20 seconds.
- Disinfect household surfaces often i.e. counters, doorknobs, bathrooms etc...
- If you have a fever, call the Kewa Health Clinic first **(505) 465-3060**. They can triage you over the phone and instruct you on what to do next.
- Kewa Health Clinic office hours are Monday thru **Friday, 8:00 am-5:30pm**
- CHR will assist in Medication pick-up and delivery from the Kewa Health Clinic. Call CHR office at **(505) 465-2633** to make arrangements.
- Health care home services such as physical therapy, check-up, medical supply delivery and other essential employees **must be screened** at the Kewa Health Clinic and provide verification before entering into the Pueblo.
- If you or a household member has traveled out of state and returned home within the last 14 days, you should self-quarantine for 14 days to limit possible exposure to others.
- If you or someone you know test positive for COVID-19, stay calm. Most people that contract the virus make a full recovery. And be careful about passing the virus to others by covering your coughs and sneezes, while washing your hands often. This should include self-quarantine until you recover and are no longer contagious.

As you know there is a lot of information out there regarding the COVID-19 virus. It's easy to get caught up in the negativity of it all. Please don't post any negativity on social media as it tends to incite panic. I ask that you stay calm, supportive and patient with one another during this time as we need to be able to depend on each other. I feel confident that with the assistance from our medical professionals at the Kewa Health Clinic, Tribal Programs and the other tribal entities, as well as you, my fellow tribal members, we can and will get through this. It's going to take everyone's commitment and cooperation to get us through this Pandemic.

My sincerest regards,



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