



# CODE ENFORCEMENT DURING PANDEMICS

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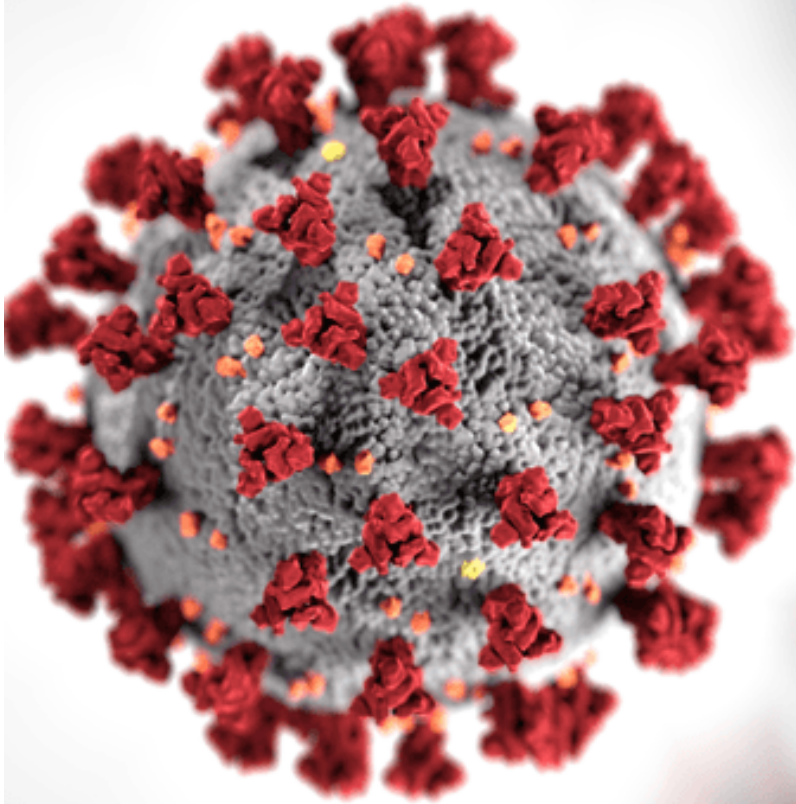
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# COVID-19

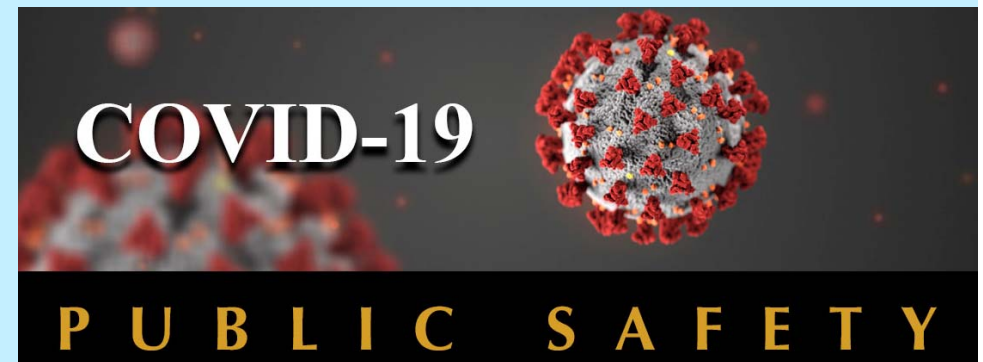
CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019

- I. **Stop/Slow Spread**
  - A. Testing & Tracing
  - B. Quarantine
- II. **Public Safety**
  - A. Prioritization
  - B. COVID Hotels
  - C. Homeless
- III. **Enforcement**
- IV. **Recession & Budget**
- V. **BLM Protests, Defund**



# PUBLIC SAFETY

- I. Essential Workforce**
- II. At-Risk Population**
- III. Homeless**
- IV. PPE**
- V. Social Distancing**
- VI. Mass Gatherings**
- VII. Non-Essential Business Closures**





# **ENFORCEMENT**

- I. Police / Sheriff**
- II. Health Official**
- III. Code Enforcement**
- IV. Animal Control**
- V. Other Departments**
- VI. City Prosecutor / District Attorney**
- VII. National Guard**



**COVID-19  
RESPONSE**



- I. **Public Safety**
- II. **Health Official Orders**
- III. **Opportunism**
- IV. **Nuisance Abatement**
- V. **Business As Usual**
- VI. **Recession Blight Prevention**



# CODE'S DUTIES

- I. Public Education**
- II. Mass Gatherings**
- III. Non-Essential Businesses**
- IV. Essential Business Inspections**
  - A. Health Inspections
  - B. Safe Practices Enforcement
  - C. Social Distancing Enforcement
  - D. PPE Enforcement
  - E. Resource Referrals





# CODE'S DUTIES

- v. Quarantine**
- vi. Social Distancing**
- vii. Homeless**
- viii. Dangerous Buildings**
- ix. Nuisance Complaints**
- x. Property Inspections**
- xi. Statistics**



## TOOLS

- I. Tech
- II. Education
- III. Warnings
- IV. Fix-it Ticket
- v. Admin Cite
- VI. License Revocations
- VII. Criminal Cite
- VIII. Arrest



Code Enforcement is not a new tool. However, there is new urgency in deploying a code enforcement system as part of a comprehensive intervention strategy for communities dealing with post-COVID-19 realities.”

# RECESSION

- I. Unemployment**
- II. Decreased Sales Tax**
- III. Decreased Redevelopment Investment**
- IV. Increased Blight & Nuisances**
- V. Broken Window Syndrome**
- VI. Decreased Muni Budgets**
- VII. Cost Recovery Pressure**



# LESSONS LEARNED

## 3 LESSON AREAS FROM PAST PUBLIC HEALTH CRISES FOR THE GLOBAL RESPONSE TO COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

### I. What Worked?

### II. What Failed?



#### 01 MOUNTING A RAPID RESPONSE

Flexible financial response mechanisms are critical for providing timely support and additional funds to address the impacts of a crisis.

Adapting existing operations can enhance project performance.

Partnerships contribute to mitigating risks related to rapid project preparation.

Cooperation and coalition building among countries can strengthen response performance.



#### 02 TRACKING THE SPREAD

Real-time monitoring of communications and public awareness programs is important to ensure their effectiveness.

Mobilization and coordination of civil society and grassroots groups is an essential component to disease monitoring and surveillance.

Investments in technology and equipment need to be balanced with capacity building for health workers and knowledge to support laboratory diagnostics.



#### 03 IMPLEMENTING A SUSTAINABLE LONG-TERM RESPONSE

Effective logistics will be critical for both the current and future public health crises.

The WBG and its partners can help strengthen preparedness plans and frameworks in countries with weaker health systems.



Lessons Learned: COVID-19



## I. Policies & Procedures?

## II. Wish List?

## III. Pandemic Variables

### BEST PRACTICES AGAINST COVID-19



Here are best practices to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus Disease from the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

#### 1 WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.



#### 2 AVOID TOUCHING YOUR EYES, NOSE AND MOUTH WITH UNWASHED HANDS.



#### 3 AVOID CLOSE CONTACT WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK.

#### 4 STAY HOME WHEN YOU ARE SICK.



#### 5 COVER YOUR COUGH OR SNEEZE WITH A TISSUE, THEN THROW THE TISSUE IN THE TRASH.



#### 6 CLEAN AND DISINFECT FREQUENTLY TOUCHED OBJECTS AND SURFACES.



#### 7 GET THE FLU SHOT



#### 8 SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING SYMPTOMS OF FEVER, COUGH AND SHORTNESS OF BREATH.







*That's all Folks!*

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