FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

In an attempt to dispel misinformation throughout Acadia Parish and to bring updated information to the public, the Acadia Parish Police Jury has created this short document to answer some questions which concern the public.

_This information is current as of March 19th, 2020 at 4:15 PM_

1. Has the National Guard been activated? Is the Parish under martial law?
   No. The National Guard is not playing an active role in law enforcement. The rule of law is being upheld by local authorities.

2. Is the Governor or the Acadia Parish Police Jury going to enforce a shelter in place?
   No. There is no current plan that we have been made aware of to enforce a shelter in place, and we will update the public immediately if one is enforced.

3. Is there a parish curfew?
   No. The Acadia Parish Police Jury has not enacted a curfew, and no municipalities have enacted a curfew at this time.

4. Is there aid for local businesses?
   Yes. Local business owners should read articles from the Acadia Parish Chamber of Commerce’s website as well as press releases from Louisiana Economic Development. The federal and state governments are developing economic loss mitigation programs, and local governments are following protocols issued at the state level for business closures.

5. Are there any confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Acadia Parish?
   No. At this time there are no confirmed cases of the coronavirus in Acadia Parish, however multiple tests have been administered and are awaiting results.

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6. What should you do if you are symptomatic?
   Individuals believing to be symptomatic should isolate themselves at home and call their primary care physician, who will guide them through further medical steps. Medical information about COVID-19 can be found by calling “311” from any telephone.

7. How can I find more information?
   Government websites are the most reputable sources of information. Please utilize the following links:


   Louisiana Department of Health: http://ldh.la.gov/coronavirus/


8. Should I have my event? Should my business close?
   The public is encouraged to practice social distancing and to limit groups to ten people, per the latest CDC recommendation. Questions as to local business regulations can be given to government offices during operating hours. We are asking individuals to use their discretion when opening their businesses, and to think about the interest of the public at large. Some businesses must close per state and municipal orders.