

## News that matters



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Dear reader,

I want to emphasize to you our responsibility to keep the Sacramento region informed as coronavirus continues to spread. We are grateful to have your readership and trust. Our role is to provide you with credible, accurate and confirmed information – in stories, photos, videos, on social media, via newsletters and more.

Here's what you won't see from us: jargon or overwritten headlines. A national magazine recently published a story with the title "You're likely to get the coronavirus." We are being mindful so as not to alarm while at the same time accurately reporting on developments across Northern California. We will describe what's happening using words that regular people will understand – community spread or community transmission? Both mean the same but one is more clear.

Here's what **daily coverage of COVID-19** looks like at The Sacramento Bee.

**Breaking news: Updates** on actions, cases and community reaction on a local and state level. This includes declarations of state and local emergencies and quarantines, new cases and important health information. Our starting point is to provide the latest news as quickly as we can. We report what we know and we're honest about what we don't know.

**News you need:** From **high school sports cancellations** to what your local yoga studio is doing to ensure sanitary conditions to the availability of hand sanitizer at local stores, coronavirus is having an impact on our daily lives.

**Context and accountability reporting:** We want to ensure **new developments are presented** as part of a whole picture. We also want you to know what local agencies are doing to support you in response to the virus, and how much funding they have to do so.

The news is changing rapidly, and we've tried to make it easier to stay informed. Sign up for a **daily coronavirus email newsletter** that collects all of the critical daily news in one place.

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