

# WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF CAMPGROUND OWNERS

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## The following is a message from Governor Tony Evers and Lieutenant Governor Mandela Barnes on the COVID-19 Pandemic...

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On behalf of the people of Wisconsin, Lieutenant Governor Mandela Barnes and I hope this letter finds you safe and healthy. As we have done throughout the past several months, we would like to provide you with the most up to date and accurate information available regarding the current public health crisis.

As of July 13, 36,000 Wisconsin residents have tested positive for COVID-19 and 820 Wisconsinites have died from COVID-19. I know I speak for all Wisconsinites when I extend my deepest condolences to everyone in our state who has lost loved ones during the pandemic. I also would like to express our hope and support for those currently struggling with and recovering from the virus. Lieutenant Governor Barnes and I, and Wisconsinites everywhere, are rooting for you.

Our administration is working diligently every day to contain the spread of COVID-19 in Wisconsin. In part thanks to the tireless work of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) and the Wisconsin National Guard, we have conducted more than 689,000 COVID-19 tests in Wisconsin and have expanded our lab capacity to 19,000 tests daily. So, if you have any symptoms or believe you may have been exposed, get tested. Call your health care provider or find a community testing site near you on the DHS [website](#).

Unfortunately, over the past couple of weeks we have seen positive cases of the virus spread throughout our state at an accelerated rate that cannot be explained solely by our increased ability to test. The situation is still serious, folks. It's getting more serious by the day. Hospitalizations might not be increasing at the same rate as positive cases right now, but we still need to be concerned about the recent spikes we've seen across our state, and we need to get back to working together to flatten the curve so our healthcare systems don't become overwhelmed. We have seen states across the nation with healthcare systems that are overwhelmed and doctors that are making difficult life and death decisions for their patients. We need everyone to continue doing their part by staying safer at home whenever possible, practicing social distancing, and wearing a face mask whenever they go out in public. Additionally, DHS has created online tools to help Wisconsinites stay safe, including the new COVID-19 activity level data dashboard, available [here](#), for folks to learn more about the spread of COVID-19 in their communities.

Our administration has also implemented several programs to support Wisconsinites who are struggling financially. One such an initiative is the [Wisconsin Rental Assistance Program](#).

Lieutenant Governor Barnes and I recognize that this is an extraordinarily difficult time. It can be tempting to resume daily life and discount the risk that the virus poses to ourselves or to our neighbors. But it's on all of us, together, to take care of one another, to look out for our neighbors, and to take responsibility for our role in stopping the spread of COVID-19. Please stay home as much as you are able. Take precautions whenever you go out, whether at work, at the grocery store, or hiking at a state park. Maintain 6 feet between yourself and anyone outside of your immediate household. Wear a mask not only to protect your own health, but the also the health of our frontline healthcare workers, small business owners, essential workers, first responders, and many more of our neighbors doing critical work.

I want to thank all of you for the steps you have been taking to stay safe, for the plans you have canceled, and for the many sacrifices you have all made. Those actions have surely saved lives and I know that if we continue to work together to box in this virus, take care of one another, and put the health and safety of our communities first, we can and will bounce back together.

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