

- What if my employer does not provide a mask? (or other personal protective equipment)
- Can we go to the Park or Zoo or fishing at Stone Lake?
- Can we ride our bikes on the bike path?
- Can my family go outside our home to visit our Grandmother?
- Can I take my kids to the grocery store? Can I go to the Bank?
- Can we travel out of town?
- When will school start again?
- Can we go to Church?
- If I have a court date, will the municipal court be open for scheduled court dates?

- **I lost my job. How can I get help?**
 - Apply for Unemployment Assistance. The CARES Act has been signed into law to provide eligible recipients of unemployment insurance and a benefit to those not traditionally eligible for unemployment insurance such as self-employed workers, independent contractors, etc.
<https://www.getkansasbenefits.gov/FAQS/General.aspx>
 - There are employers looking to hire in Great Bend including the City. You can visit the City's website or Visit: <http://www.Indeed.com> or visit <https://www.centrankansasjobs.com/jobs/> for more information.

- **Is the Food Bank open?**
 - Community Food Bank of Barton County. 3007 10th St., Great Bend. Phone: 620-792-4001. Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1-3 p.m. (Call ahead of time on Monday, Wednesday or Friday for an appointment).
 - Food services are also available through the USD428 School system for children. Every weekday from 11 am-12:30 pm, a meal package containing lunch and breakfast for the following day can be picked up at all five elementary locations and the Central Kitchen. Students can walk-up, or lunch will be picked-up car-side, (children must be present in the vehicle to pick-up the meal). Permits can be obtained for "Parent Pick-up" - all children will need to be present in the car on the day the permit is issued. The permit can be obtained at any pick-up location during lunch pick-up hours. Anyone 18 & under can receive the free meal package, no questions asked. Area children are welcome, you are not required to attend USD 428, nor are you required to reside in the City of Great Bend.


- **Where can I get help if I can't pay my rent or utilities because I lost my job?**
 - There are a variety of resources. Contact the utility company about available programs they are offering. Some other community resources include The United Way. Dial 211 or visit <https://www.uwck.org>
 - Catholic Social Service helps those in need in southwest Kansas, regardless of faith. They offer assistance with food, housing, utility and medical.
<https://catholiccharitiesswks.org/services/economic-assistance>
 - The Salvation Army in Barton County is still available with funds for utility assistance and other emergency needs. An application of information is required and the while the Store in Great Bend is currently not open to the public, the staff are responding to calls for assistance. 620-792-4299.

- **Can I be evicted?**
 - Executive Order 20-06 temporarily postpones evictions and foreclosure proceedings until May 1, 2020. You can read the Executive Order on the state website. The

Executive Orders are available in Spanish.

<https://governor.kansas.gov/newsroom/executive-orders>


- **Why are some Businesses open and others have to be closed? (Essential Businesses & Functions)** The State of Kansas has established guidelines for determining which businesses provide functions considered “essential”. This determination is based upon the Kansas Essential Functions Framework (KEFF). Click on the link to view the Executive Order as well as more information about KEFF.
<https://governor.kansas.gov/keff>
- **Can I go to the hospital if I feel sick?**
 - The University of Kansas Hospital in Great Bend (Tel: 620-792-8833) suggests you first contact your doctor’s office or urgent care center if you think you have symptoms or have been exposed to COVID 19.
 - Call before you arrive at your doctor’s office or urgent care center.
 - Let your doctor’s office know about your symptoms. COVID-19 symptoms include
 - Fever, coughing, shortness of breath
 - Also let your doctor know if you have:
 - been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19
 - have traveled to an area with sustained transmissions
 - *Avoid going to the Emergency Department unless instructed by your doctor.*
 - 911 is still available for medical emergencies.
- **What is the Coronavirus Self-Checker?** The purpose of the Coronavirus Self-Checker is to help you make decisions about seeking appropriate medical care. This system is not intended for the diagnosis or treatment of disease or other conditions, including COVID-19. This system is intended only for people who are currently located in the United States. This project was made possible through a partnership with the CDC Foundation and is enabled by Microsoft’s Azure platform. CDC’s collaboration with a non-federal organization does not imply an endorsement of any one particular service, product, or enterprise. The Coronavirus Self-Checker is free and user friendly. You may access this by clicking the Coronavirus Self Checker on the CDC Symptoms and Testing website. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/index.html>
- **If you have general questions about COVID 19, you can visit this website or call.**
www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus



Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

General questions on COVID-19



KDHE HOTLINE NUMBER:
866-534-3463
(866-KDHEINF) | Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Email: COVID-19@ks.gov

If you are a Local Health Department or provider needing to speak with someone about a patient, call the KDHE Epidemiology Hotline at 877-427-7317.

For more information on COVID-19 in Kansas, visit www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus. If you develop symptoms, please contact your local health department or KDHE’s 24/7 Epidemiology Hotline at 877-427-7317.