IS THERE A CURFEW?
On Saturday, 3/21/2020, Governor Phil Murphy directed all residents to stay at home until further notice. Exceptions include obtaining essential goods or services, seeking medical attention, visiting family or close friends, reporting to work, or engaging in outdoor activities.

WHAT RETAIL BUSINESSES ARE CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL?
- Restaurants (take-out, delivery, drive-through)
- Grocery stores/farmer's markets/bodegas
- Pharmacies/medical marijuana dispensaries
- Medical supply stores
- Gas stations
- Convenience stores
- Ancillary stores within healthcare facilities
- Hardware and home improvement stores
- Banks/check cashing services
- Laundromats/dry cleaning
- Stores that principally sell supplies for children under five years
- Pet stores
- Liquor stores
- Car dealerships, but only for auto maintenance and repair, and auto mechanics
- Printing and office supply shops
- Mail and delivery stores
- Delivery of supplies for essential businesses

WHAT ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF NON-ESSENTIAL RETAIL BUSINESSES?
- Bars/nightclubs that do not serve food
- Go-Go bars
- Movie theaters and shopping malls
- Gyms and fitness centers
- Barber shops, beauty salons, nail salons
- Clothing and other retail
- Book stores
- Pet stores
- Liquor stores
- Car dealerships, but only for auto maintenance and repair, and auto mechanics
- Printing and office supply shops
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ARE THERE OTHER LIMITATIONS?
- Yes, there are to be no congregational services at houses of worship
- Playgrounds and fields are closed; no group gatherings but biking, walking, running, and enjoying parks while practicing safe social distancing is allowed.

WILL THERE BE WIDESPREAD COVID-19 TESTING?
The City of Paterson, in conjunction with Passaic County, is close to implementing mobile testing. Until then, if you exhibit symptoms such as fever, cough, and shortness of breath, call your physician or use telemedicine. If you do not have a doctor, call an urgent care center first, keeping hospital emergency rooms as a last resort.

WILL THERE BE SUPPORT FOR THOSE AFFECTED FINANCIALLY?
- Disaster loans from SBA – SBA.gov/disaster
- Unemployment benefits - nj.gov/labor
The Mayor has also created a "Small Business Task Force" to advocate for all available resources for Paterson residents and business owners. This group will share information as we receive it in the coming days.

UPDATES BY MAYOR ANDRE SAYEGH
The Governor has prohibited all gatherings of individuals, such as groups in public, parties, celebrations, or other social gatherings and events to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The Paterson Police Department will enforce this Executive Order and fines and penalties will be assessed upon individuals and business that do not comply.

Mayor Sayegh encourages all residents to follow the City of Paterson on Facebook and Twitter, to download "Paterson Plus" in your app store for regular updates, and to check out the City's special webpage for the most up-to-date information.