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## **Yolo County Allows Deliveries by Non-Essential Businesses**

(Woodland, CA) – Effective March 27, Yolo County is allowing non-essential businesses to process online and phone orders for home deliveries while physical locations must remain closed to the public.

As residents stay home longer due to shelter in place orders from the County and state of California, non-essential items will start to become essential for many communities. As an added layer to help keep residents at home and support local businesses during this time, non-essential businesses will be allowed to make home deliveries.

"This is a very difficult time. People and businesses are making huge sacrifices to keep everyone healthy and safe," said Yolo County Public Health Officer Dr. Ron Chapman. "As the COVID-19 virus continues to spread it becomes even more important for people to stay home. To support people staying at home, the county has decided to allow deliveries from local businesses."

Yolo County residents still need to follow the shelter in place order that went into effect March 19 and runs through April 7 while practicing social distancing as much as possible, including keeping children at home. The shelter in place order is intended to slow the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and help protect the health of everyone in Yolo County.

"The benefits to allowing local deliveries is three-fold: one, it enables individuals to continue sheltering in place, thus maintaining their health and safety; secondly, it reduces the number of individuals who are out moving around the community potentially spreading the virus or exposing themselves to it; and finally, it enables a sector of our struggling local economy to resume business activities which provide employment and services," said Yolo County Board Chair Gary Sandy. "We believe this is a prudent and practical decision."

For detailed information about COVID-19 and further guidance regarding this order, visit the Yolo County webpage at: <a href="https://www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus">https://www.yolocounty.org/shelter-in-place</a>. To see the Health Officer Order and other shelter in place guides, visit: <a href="https://www.yolocounty.org/shelter-in-place">https://www.yolocounty.org/shelter-in-place</a>. Residents can call Yolo 2-1-1 for resource information. For additional updates follow Yolo County on Facebook at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/YoloCounty">https://www.facebook.com/YoloCounty</a> or Twitter at: <a href="https://twitter.com/YoloCountyCA">https://twitter.com/YoloCountyCA</a>.