

# Enforcement Strategy to Prevent COVID-19 Spread

In an effort to protect the community's health and curtail the increase in cases, Yolo County has developed an enforcement strategy to help ensure businesses and organizations comply with state and local health orders.

## Education



**PRIOR** to the use of any enforcement measures, efforts will be made to provide education, resources and/or guidance on compliance.

If violations or non-compliance continue, after efforts at education, enforcement actions may be taken.

## **Enforcement Measures**



**IF VIOLATIONS OR NON-COMPLIANCE CONTINUE**, the following enforcement actions may be taken:



Public Communication: Information may be shared with the public

identifying organizations or businesses in non-compliance.

 <u>Urgency Ordinance/Fines</u>: A County ordinance that enforces penalties for violating Public Health Orders ranging from \$25 - \$500 for non-commercial violators and from \$250 - \$10,000 for commercial violators. The ordinance is enforceable by the County within the cities.



- <u>Misdemeanors:</u> May be issued by city police departments or Sheriff's Office with prosecution by the District Attorney.
- <u>Business Closure</u>: Enforceable by County Counsel or the local Health Officer.
- <u>Civil Action</u>: Enforceable by County Counsel or City Attorney and may include seeking court orders to shut non-compliant businesses down until compliance is assured.

### Reporting

Residents are encouraged to contact the County to report any suspected violations of state and/or local health guidelines by a business or organization at: https://arcg.is/aCSDv.

#### **Businesses**

To assist in compliance with state and local Public Health Orders, businesses can find resources and guidance by visiting:

https://www.yolocounty.org/Business-Toolkit.