

**COUNTY OF ADAIR
DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY
MARCH 18th, 2020**

WHEREAS, the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Kentucky are responding to the public health threat posed by, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), a respiratory disease which can result in serious illness or death caused by the SARZ-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus not previously identified in humans and easily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020 the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) beginning on January 27th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear declared a State of Emergency in the Commonwealth of Kentucky on March 6th, 2020, in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, there are now a number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 throughout the Commonwealth; and

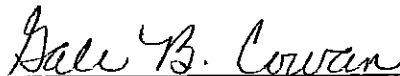
WHEREAS, the continued planning, preparedness and response effort for this COVID-19 Public Health Emergency are best managed in a coordinated manner pursuant to the Adair County Emergency Operations Plan and the Lake Cumberland District Health Department Plans; and

WHEREAS, this situation creates a considerable hardship for the citizens of Adair County, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, local government has the responsibility to protect the public health, safety and welfare, and to mitigate the effects of such events;

NOW THEREFORE, I Gale B. Cowan, by the authority vested in me by KRS 39A.100(2), do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in Adair County, Kentucky until further notice and direct that:

1. The Adair County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) be fully executed;
2. The Adair County Emergency Management Director shall direct Adair County Emergency Management and the Adair County Emergency Operations Center (if activated) to provide such assistance as can be delivered from available local resources and shall coordinate all agencies of local government to provide assistance.
3. All agencies of Adair County shall cooperate to the fullest extent with Adair County Emergency Management and shall provide such assistance as may be required for response to this emergency.
4. Under this State Of Emergency, as provided in KRS 39A.100 (2) and 45A.380 the Adair County Judge Executive can waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to: a) performance of public work, b) entering into contracts, c) incurring obligations, d) employment of permanent and temporary workers, e) utilization of volunteer workers, f) rental of equipment, g) appropriation and expenditure of public funds.



Gale B. Cowan

Adair County Judge Executive

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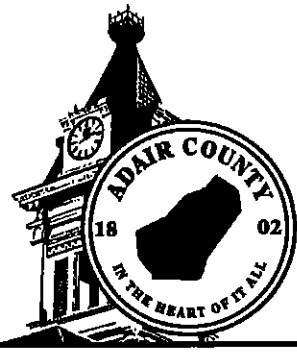


Adair County Fiscal Court Clerk

ADAIR COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

Gale B. Cowan

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EXECUTIVE ORDER #20200317 CLOSURE OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

For the purposes of maintaining social distancing under the CDC guidelines and under the directives from the President of the United States and the Governor of Kentucky, in order to promote the health and well-being of the general public to reduce the community spread of disease, please be advised of the following:

As part of our continuing efforts to confront and limit the spread of COVID-19, all Adair County Government Offices are required to cease providing in-person government services to the public beginning at 4:30 p.m. on March 17, 2020, with limited exceptions. In order to carry out this directive, all Constitutionally Elected Officials and agency heads shall adhere to the following protocol:

- All buildings and sites providing county government services, shall be closed to the public and to the extent possible, all in-person county government services shall be provided by the following methods: mail, fax, email, videoconferencing, any internet-based methods, telephone or by appointment only under emergency needs;
- Employees are prohibited from providing nonessential in-person county government services outside of government buildings or sites;
- In the limited circumstances where government in-person services are still provided, all county government employees should engage in social distancing as defined by the CDC.¹ Employees will still be working to take calls/emails/faxes.

For assistance please feel free to contact the respective agencies at the following phone numbers:

OFFICE	PHONE	FAX	EMAIL
• Judge/Executive's Office	270-384-4703	270-384-9754	adairjudge@duo-county.com
• County Clerk's Office	270-384-2801	270-384-4805	
• PVA's Office	270-384-3673	270-384-3693	landont.edwards@ky.gov
• Sheriff's Office	270-384-2776	270-384-5049	
• County Attorney's Office	270-384-3216	270-384-9273	
• Adair Co. Child Support	270-384-5932	270-384-1882	
• Emergency Management	270-384-4760		

Declared this 17th day of March 2020

Gale B. Cowan

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ADAIR CO. JUDGE EXECUTIVE

For more information, visit Kycovid19.ky.gov or call 800-722-5725

¹ Social distancing means remaining out of congregate settings, avoiding mass gatherings, and maintaining distance (approximately 6 feet or 2 meters) from others when possible.



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EXECUTIVE ORDER # 2020-0401

OPERATIONS OF GREEN RIVER ANIMAL SHELTER & ANIMAL CONTROL

This matter having come before the Adair County Judge and due to the current Declaration of a State of an Emergency for Adair County, the Green River Animal Shelter (GRAS) will not be accepting animals unless they are deemed by law enforcement to be a threat to a person or livestock. Currently, the Green River Animal Shelter is at capacity with a limited staff and is unable to handle additional animals because of the COVID-19 Crisis and to comply with orders from the Governor.

Further, during this State of Emergency for Adair County, Kentucky, the dog warden for Adair County will only be responding to complaints made by law enforcement.

Effective this date April 1, 2020 until further notice.

Signed

Gale B. Cowan

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Adair County Judge Executive

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
ADAIR COUNTY
ORDINANCE NO. 2020-0331(1)
EMERGENCY**

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF COUNTY
EMPLOYEES DURING A STATE AND COUNTY DECLARED STATE OF
EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Adair County is operating under a KRS Chp. 39A Declared State of Emergency;

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky is operating under a KRS Chp. 39A Declared State of Emergency;

WHEREAS, due to the respective concurrent Commonwealth and County States of Emergency, certain county employment positions are unable to do their job assignments necessitating that these employees be sent home;

WHEREAS, it is in Adair County government's best interest to have a strong, stable workforce when the respective concurrent Commonwealth and County States of Emergency end;

WHEREAS, to keep a strong, stable workforce, Adair County Fiscal Court has determined that the Adair County Judge/Executive has the authority to pay employees their normal weekly wage and benefits during the concurrent Commonwealth and County States of Emergency where the employee has been sent home due to the emergency;

WHEREAS, providing employees that have been sent home their normal weekly wage and benefits is an appropriate incentive to keep an experienced, trained workforce and is in compliance with Kentucky Constitutional requirements;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the fiscal court of county of Adair, Commonwealth of Kentucky:

**SECTION ONE: ADAIR COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE'S EMPLOYEE
COMPENSATION AUTHORITY**

During a concurrent KRS Chp. 39 Commonwealth and County State of Emergency, the Adair County Judge/Executive has the authority to compensate Adair County employees that have been sent home and are unable to work due to the emergency situation at their regular rate of pay with applicable benefits. For full-time employees, their compensation shall be based upon 40 hours per week. For part-time employees, the Adair County Judge/Executive shall determine the part-time employee's normal working hours based upon an average of the weekly hours worked for the prior four weeks. The Adair County Judge/Executive has the authority to

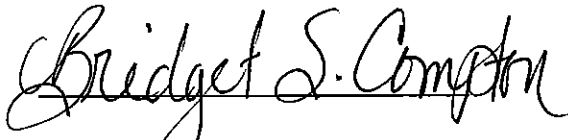
compensate, including applicable benefits, these employees for the entire concurrent Commonwealth and County State of Emergency, or for any part thereof.

SECTION TWO: EMERGENCY ORDINANCE--EFFECTIVE DATE

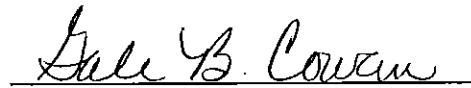
This Emergency Ordinance, passed in accordance with KRS 67.078, and to be part of the Adair County Administrative Code, shall be effective upon passage by the Adair County Fiscal Court.

Introduced and approved as an Emergency Ordinance on 3-31, 2020.

Attested By:



Adair County Fiscal Court Clerk



Gale B. Cowan

Adair County Judge/Executive