March 16, 2020

**COVID-19: Notice of Emergency Closure**

In response to the continuing threat of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak, the City of Vernon Health and Environmental Control Department is taking emergency action to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and protect the community and businesses in Vernon. Effective immediately, the Department is putting in place temporary restrictions to stop large numbers of people from gathering and staying in close proximity. These restrictions will be effective through March 31, 2020, unless extended.

These include the temporary closure to the public, within the City of Vernon, the following:

- All bars and nightclubs that do not serve food;
- All live performance venues,
- All banquet halls;
- In addition, all restaurants and retail food facilities will be prohibited from serving food to dine-in customers. **Take-outs, drive-thru and delivery service only.**

There are a few important notes and exceptions to the above order:

- Restaurants, as well as bars and nightclubs that serve food, may continue to prepare and offer food to customers via drive-thru, delivery service or take-out;
- Mobile Food Facilities (Trucks and Carts), Cold Storage, Food Warehouse and, Food Processing facilities will be allowed to continue operations.

For more information on COVID-19, please see the links below:

http://www.cityofvernon.org/COVID19  
http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/  