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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY EXPANDS TESTING CAPACITY

Santa Cruz County, Calif. – Due to overwhelming testing demand, the County of Santa Cruz is expanding COVID-19 testing capacity and hours at select testing locations in Santa Cruz County.

Beginning January 3rd, a mobile testing facility at Depot Park in the city of Santa Cruz will expand hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. To make an appointment, go to <https://lhi.care/covidtesting>.

Beginning January 5th, the Ramsay Park testing site in the city of Watsonville will double the amount of testing appointment available daily. To make an appointment, go to <https://lhi.care/covidtesting>.

In addition, the San Lorenzo Valley mobile testing site will return to Mountain Community Resources, 6134 Highway 9, beginning January 3rd. Mobile tests at the Felton Public Library site will be offered on their current schedule through January 2nd (check website).

With an increase in positive cases due to the omicron variant, many residents are seeking testing to help assure the safety of themselves and their families. The County has seen an overwhelming increase in testing demand, and appointments are encouraged for all locations. For a list of local testing sites, go to <https://www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirus> and click on “Get Tested.”

Symptomatic individuals or those with a known exposure who are unable to get tested immediately should presume they are positive and isolate in accordance with California Department of Public Health guidelines. Go to <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Guidance-on-Isolation-and-Quarantine-for-COVID-19-Contact-Tracing.aspx>.

Vaccines remain the best protection against COVID-19, and everyone aged five and older are eligible. Boosters are strongly encouraged for those 16 and older who received their initial vaccines more than six months ago. For information on COVID-19 vaccine and a list of vaccine providers including local pop-up clinics, visit www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirusvaccine.

For local information on COVID-19, go to www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirus, or call (831) 454-4242 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.