

Center for Fraternity & Sorority Life

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Subject: Update: Housed Fraternity/Sorority Closures
Attachments: Barracks Layout Jan 2010.pdf

Housed Chapter Leadership:

I hope you are all continuing to stay safe and well!

I wanted to share an update regarding chapters' decisions to close/stay open. I've included some details below regarding what the CFSL knows (any identifying info removed):

- 10/11 Panhellenic chapters have closed. The chapter remaining open is maintaining a very small number of residents.
- 3/17 IFC chapters have closed. Of the 14 who remain open, one chapter does not have sleeping porches (members sleep in bedrooms) and four are remaining open for a very small number of residents. The additional 9 remaining open have between 10-25 living in each.
- We understand house directors are remaining in all of the facilities. If this isn't accurate for your chapter, please let me know.

Chapters choosing to stay open:

- We continue to field several calls and emails a day from concerned parents of your members, that we direct back to chapter leadership. Please consider how you are sharing information regarding your decision to remain open with members and their families.
- Consider how you are enforcing the Governor's stay home order. Residents should not be coming/going from the facility and guests/non-residents should be restricted from entering.
- Have you been in contact with the Corvallis Fire Department? If you've not yet spoken to Jason Dennis (Jason.Dennis@corvallisoregon.gov) from Corvallis Fire Department, please do so in order to discuss how to maximize social distancing while remaining in compliance with the Fire Code. Sleeping in study/day rooms is not allowed per Fire Code.
- Please revisit the Benton County Health Department's guidance and ensure you are in compliance.

Finally, we haven't gotten more information regarding the intent of the Governor's Executive Order. We've requested additional information, but at this time we don't have any additional details about the intent about whether this applies to the chapters. While we do not believe the EO was specifically intended to apply to fraternities/sororities, we do not have that clarity on the EO at this time.

If you have any extra food to donate due to closure or lower residency, please consider donating food to Mary's Stone Soup. You can contact the Director, Cas Cooper, on her cell – 541-223-3884. *(thank you to Scott Spiegelberg from SAE for this recommendation!)*

If there are additional questions that I can assist with, please don't hesitate to let me know!

Interfraternally,

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