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## COVID-19 Response Update

The City of Cupertino continues to monitor the effects of COVID-19 as the safety of our residents, staff, and visitors remains our highest priority. The following information regards the City’s response to the latest recommendations from the County of Santa Clara Public Health Department. For more information, visit [www.cupertino.org/coronavirus](http://www.cupertino.org/coronavirus).

### New

#### **City Providing \$50,000 in Emergency Assistance Funds to Cupertino Residents**

The City of Cupertino has partnered with West Valley Community Services to provide \$50,000 in emergency assistance funds to Cupertino tenants impacted by COVID-19. Beginning on June 12, 2020, eligible households can receive up to \$3,000 in funds on a first-come first-serve basis while funds are available. Household income must be less than or equal to 100% of the Area Median Income (AMI). Please contact West Valley Community Services for an application: [recert@wvcommunityservices.org](mailto:recert@wvcommunityservices.org) or 408-366-6092.

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6
100% AMI	\$99,100	\$113,300	\$127,450	\$141,600	\$152,950	\$164,250

#### **City of Cupertino to Host Free COVID-19 Testing at Creekside Park**

The City of Cupertino, in cooperation with the Santa Clara County Public Health Department, will host a free community-based COVID-19 testing site at Creekside Park, 10455 Miller Avenue. Testing will be available on June 16, 17, and 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. This service is available to everyone regardless of their health provider and no doctor’s referral is needed. No appointment needed. First come, first served.

The Public Health Department and Valley Medical Center will set up a walk-up test site for COVID-19 inside the park building. Visitors are asked to follow safety protocols, such as wearing a face covering and practicing social distancing.

For more information, visit [www.cupertino.org/covid19testing](http://www.cupertino.org/covid19testing)

### **Upcoming Virtual Event**

#### **NASA Speaker Series with Dr. Helen Hwang**

Virtual NASA Speaker Series: Tales from the Mars Science Laboratory Thermal Protection System Development (or, Try Not to Panic When Your Heatshield Material Disappears) by Dr. Helen Hwang

Summary: The development of the 2011 Mars Science Laboratory (MSL) heatshield underwent many difficulties and twists, as the entry vehicle was designed to be the largest ever sent to Mars. During testing, the heatshield material melted, flowed, and ultimately disappeared unexpectedly. This failure prompted a wholesale redesign and assembly of the heatshield, all accomplished in a short period of time.

Dr. Hwang, a project manager in the Entry Systems Technology Division, will detail the trials and tribulations of the experience and will also preview the next Mars mission, which uses the same re-designed heatshield material developed for MSL.

Register for this webinar at

[https://cityofcupertino.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_WPc52MyjSjWw3ua\\_3bwLbA](https://cityofcupertino.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WPc52MyjSjWw3ua_3bwLbA)

### **City Services**

All City in-door facilities remain closed. While City Hall is closed to the public, services are available online at [www.cupertino.org](http://www.cupertino.org) and by phone at (408) 777-3200.

- To submit requests for service, visit [www.cupertino.org/311](http://www.cupertino.org/311)
- For Building, Planning, Housing, and Code Enforcement services and permits, visit [www.cupertino.org/communitydevelopment](http://www.cupertino.org/communitydevelopment)
- For Public Works services and permits, visit [www.cupertino.org/publicworks](http://www.cupertino.org/publicworks)

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