# Public Comment - Grave 21

From:

County Executive Office

Sent:

Tuesday, November 24, 2020 9:43 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

FW: My thoughts to the Board of Supervisors

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From: m g <mlg79202@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 9:11 AM

To: County Executive Office <caoemail@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>

Subject: My thoughts to the Board of Supervisors

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Greetings:)

Please forward this to all the Board of Supervisors.

As a concern County citizen and keeping track of the pandemic on who is open and or closed etc...

I don't think it's right or far that when inside dining is currently banned but the public and private bus transportation is still operating the same way or a lil different.

Just the other day I witnessed a school bus style farm worker bus pass me in town a everyone was tightly shoulder to shoulder packed on every seat.

Same goes for what I saw on a City bus a few weeks ago.

Has or is anyone gonna question the buses?

It's not far to pick and choose when those buses are worse than any open space dining inside or out.

Or how we been handling all the fruits and veggies the same way in the grocery stores this entire time without any changes.

The County and Board should take a stand and gain control to show other Counties.

Plus how come nobody is reporting on the regular viruses, flu or phenomenon?

Did ya ever think when you get regular sick it gonna register as covid like others out there all other the world have said....lol

Or how come the Health Department is mentioning in who gets the virus easier than others? For example if ones that have not been vaccinated vs the ones that have been vaccinated with passed flu shots? This is all to interesting so I hope the County with take control and show the Governor facts are facts!

How many have died of the flu, or phenomenon so far?

No mandatory vaccines!

Open The County Up Please!



Thank You!

Sent from my iPhone

From:

R.G. DIXON <stingrlureproducts@gmail.com>

Sent:

Friday, December 4, 2020 7:38 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

State Orders

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As a resident of this beautiful County of Santa Barbara for over 60 years, I employ all our representatives to stand up to this ludacris and harmful position our Governor has inflicted upon the people of California.

This will once again force many business owners who just recently opened up and started to make income to pay rents, utilities and yes, employees as well. Now, Governor Newsom has once again played his one-man band and is still trying to corrupt this State into devastation that it may not ever come out of and see more tax revenue wiped away as more businesses close their doors.

He has forced many people out of the State seeking other States to reside in, and in turn forced many to evaluate their losses and take their tax money elsewhere. This is what this political member of the Family of Four has done to this State. He has ruined the tax base for this State by changing every law he can in order to gain more tax but it won't work when those taxpayers leave the State. That is a pure ignorance view.

Shutting down schools and places of work without a solid reason other than this supposed Covid that many Doctors are saying is just

the flu. The media has the public scared to death but what our Governor is doing is a worse scare. People are losing their hard earned savings trying to survive yet he cannot see that. Does he really care???

I plead with my Representatives in the Rebublican Party to submit a legal disapproval to our Governor stating he has not the right nor power to invoke a almost Marshall Law towards the people of this State without better cause and proof and authority to do so.

Stand up for us - it is your job as Representatives to seek out what is best for the people of California before it's gone!

# **RG** Dixon

A Proud Republican and Proud individual of this County of Santa Barbara.

From:

Mark Luis <marcusluism@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Saturday, December 5, 2020 10:39 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Protest Covid shut down.

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Caution: This email originated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Santa Barbara county city councilman.

My wife and I live in the Santa Ynez Valley, we own a small business in Solvang. We both urge you to object to the stay at home order for Santa Barbara County, we are not part of Southern California, we are the central coast. On December 3, 2020 on the 11 o'clock evening news, a Santa Barbara County Health Department representative making a statement that there was only one Covid case in the ICU in the Santa Barbara County. I am fourth generation in the Valley, knowing dozens and dozens of people, and several in the medical industry, I believe this to be true. I urge and plead with the city council members to not shut down Santa Barbara County for essential services and restaurants. As a small business owner in Solvang, we are barely surviving at this point, another shut down would force us to close the business permanently, we have been in business for 12 years in Solvang, our landlord is not helping, and the PPP money is long gone!

Regards,

Mark Luis

From: comcast <jesusfreaks1@comcast.net>

Sent: Saturday, December 5, 2020 10:59 AM

To: sbcob
Subject: CA regions

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Dear Gov. Newsome, we are not happy with the way you have split the state into regions. There should be a central coast area with Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura Counties combined. The population of these three counties is nearly 2 million. WE SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BECAUSE OF THEIR POPULATION DENSITY AND SUBSEQUENT DISEASE CONCENTRATION. Please change the regions to more fair distribution immediately. Sincerely, Corrine Klein

From:

Kristina Johnson <tk2johnson@me.com>

Sent:

Saturday, December 5, 2020 2:57 PM

To:

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Reject COVID restrictions

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I completely disagree with the recent shut down and having SB county lumped in with SoCal, and I urge you to voice your disagreement with the state and our governor

-- Kristina Johnson Vandenberg Village

From: evansmarkcolette@aol.com

Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 9:50 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Covid Tier rating SB County

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To The Board of Supervisors,

We object to the County of Santa Barbara being combined with many other counties for Covid tier rating. Unless and until we suffer the same ICU and other capacity concerns as LA Area Counties, we in Santa Barbara County should be rated independently. Our restaurants, small businesses and citizenry are suffering far more than deserved. Economic and personal tragedies are occurring here despite the metrics being used are not of their ( or our ) doing. After the briefest of reviews this is easily seen as unfair and unwise Further, when reviewed in light of the actual damages-emotional- fiscal and a general sense of lack of support from those empowered to govern, it is clear that an effort must be mounted to address this issue. In the absence of a measurable response, the governed are left with nothing more than hopelessness.

This hopeless feeling results in many other problems of which you have been counseled we are sure. Please make every effort to avert these results and act swiftly to request - demand that Santa Barbara County stand on its own metrics in this most critical matter.

Thank you, Mark Evans Colette Evans 3126 Dolores Court Santa Maria, CA 93455 805.934.2222

To:

From: Jack Ward <scubajack@verizon.net>

sbcob

Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 7:26 PM

**Subject:** comments for Tues, Dec 8 meeting

Attachments: Kiley Community Health Resolution Nov 2020.png; Kiley letter to supervisors Nov

2020.png

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Hello, Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

Thankfully, Mr. Caldwell lets me know when you have significant meetings that affect the people you represent. I'm also thankful that Assemblyman Kiley is fighting against Gov Newsom's draconian measures to lock us down again, even though we have very few people with covid in the hospital and/or in ICU, and the virus has a 99% recovery rate. Please approve the attached Community Health Resolution, as requested by Mr. Kiley in the attached letter to CA county supervisors. Gov Newsom has NO authority to impose these "laws" with penalties, since the constitution does not give him that power, especially not after 60 days of "emergency" and especially when this is not a pandemic, but a casedemic—more testing = more (false? Or asymptomatic) positives, but still no pandemic numbers of hospitalizations or deaths. In fact, more deaths are from the lockdown consequences, and what is being called covid deaths is actually the same amount of deaths from various categories that are not being distinguished during this scamdemic. Santa Barbara County should be opened up completely for businesses, churches, schools, etc. We have survived this for 9 months because it was overhyped from the beginning. People will get sick as they do every year. The numbers of Sick or dying people are not higher than usual. It is not the government's job to control who goes where and when, unless they are committing actual, violent crimes, which is what governments SHOULD be protecting us from.

Thank you, Laurel Ward

From:

Gentry Zuzunaga <academia.zuzunaga@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, December 6, 2020 10:42 PM

To:

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Santa Barbara County BOS Hearing

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December 8, 2020 Santa Barbara County BOS Hearing Item #1 Coronavirus Update Public comment submitted for the public record

Honorable Chairman Hart and Members of the Board,

As a resident of Santa Barbara County, I am very concerned about the continued lockdowns and mask mandates, intended to prevent the spread of Covid 19. As a mother of five children and small business owner, these measures have turned our lives upside down. We cannot continue to shutdown our schools, businesses and churches to stop a virus that we know is not fatal for over 99% of the population. We cannot risk destroying people's lives through loss of business and jobs, loss of human connection, leading to mental health issues and the devastating setbacks in our children's education, including the effects on children with special needs, of which I am a parent. The mask mandates have never been proven to stop any virus and no study has shown their effectiveness. The Governor made an exemption for people who are unable to wear masks, however, our county and cities within our county have continually pushed 'masks are required' leading to discrimination against and harassment of those with medical conditions that prevent them from wearing masks.

I am appalled at the lack of transparency from the County regarding the Covid numbers. The good news is that deaths are declining, but instead of reporting that, now we are constantly learning about positive test cases, many of whom do not get sick and are not at risk. What about suicide deaths, car accident deaths, cancer deaths, heart disease deaths? Covid isn't the main problem in our County. As elected officials, your job is to represent the people. Over 99% of the people are not at risk from Covid, we are at far greater risk of the effects of draconian lockdowns and mask mandates.

Many doctors do not agree that lockdowns are the best way to address the spread of coronavirus. On October 4, 2020, a group of 47 American doctors signed The Great Barrington Declaration, which states:

'As infectious disease epidemiologists and public health scientists we have grave concerns about the damaging physical and mental health impacts of the prevailing COVID-19 policies, and recommend an approach we call Focused Protection.

Coming from both the left and right, and around the world, we have devoted our careers to protecting people. Current lockdown policies are producing devastating effects on short and long-term public health. The results (to name a few) include lower childhood vaccination rates, worsening cardiovascular disease outcomes, fewer cancer screenings and deteriorating mental

health – leading to greater excess mortality in years to come, with the working class and younger members of society carrying the heaviest burden. Keeping students out of school is a grave injustice.

# Keeping these measures in place until a vaccine is available will cause irreparable damage, with the underprivileged disproportionately harmed.

Fortunately, our understanding of the virus is growing. We know that vulnerability to death from COVID-19 is more than a thousand-fold higher in the old and infirm than the young. Indeed, for children, COVID-19 is less dangerous than many other harms, including influenza.

As immunity builds in the population, the risk of infection to all – including the vulnerable – falls. We know that all populations will eventually reach herd immunity – i.e. the point at which the rate of new infections is stable – and that this can be assisted by (but is not dependent upon) a vaccine. Our goal should therefore be to minimize mortality and social harm until we reach herd immunity.

The most compassionate approach that balances the risks and benefits of reaching herd immunity, is to allow those who are at minimal risk of death to live their lives normally to build up immunity to the virus through natural infection, while better protecting those who are at highest risk. We call this Focused Protection.

Adopting measures to protect the vulnerable should be the central aim of public health responses to COVID-19. By way of example, nursing homes should use staff with acquired immunity and perform frequent PCR testing of other staff and all visitors. Staff rotation should be minimized. Retired people living at home should have groceries and other essentials delivered to their home. When possible, they should meet family members outside rather than inside. A comprehensive and detailed list of measures, including approaches to multigenerational households, can be implemented, and is well within the scope and capability of public health professionals.

Those who are not vulnerable should immediately be allowed to resume life as normal. Simple hygiene measures, such as hand washing and staying home when sick should be practiced by everyone to reduce the herd immunity threshold. Schools and universities should be open for inperson teaching. Extracurricular activities, such as sports, should be resumed. Young low-risk adults should work normally, rather than from home. Restaurants and other businesses should open. Arts, music, sport and other cultural activities should resume. People who are more at risk may participate if they wish, while society as a whole enjoys the protection conferred upon the vulnerable by those who have built up herd immunity.'

#### More information can be found at GBDeclaration.org

As Supervisors, you are elected to represent the people and you must protect our Constitutional rights. The First Amendment of the Constitution protects our God-given rights to freedom of speech, religion, and to peaceably assemble. There is no provision in the Constitution that nullifies our freedoms identified in the Bill of Rights during a state of emergency, public health or otherwise.

As a resident of Santa Barbara County, I care about the spiritual, mental and physical health of my family, friends and neighbors. And as a citizen of the United States of America, I demand that you stop the lockdowns and mask mandates. Many cities and counties are agreeing that they will not continue to follow these ridiculous mandates that will effectively destroy this beautiful place in which we live. I urge you to be courageous and stand up for the people and not politics.

Sincerely, Gentry Zuzunaga Goleta resident

From:

Lee Anne Hanson < leeannehanson 26@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, December 6, 2020 8:24 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Latest Lockdown and SB CO being included with the Greater LA Area

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To whom it may concern,

I am a legal citizen; a taxpayer, married to a disabled veteran, a law abiding American, a mother of two grown children, a part-time caretaker for an elderly parent, employed by an energy company, and a hardworking God fearing Patriot. I request that the Santa Barbara County Supervisors reject and condemn the latest orders made by Governor Newsom, allowing all businesses to stay open (including restaurants, hair salons, nail salons, etc.) at full capacity or at a minimum under the restrictions prior to 12/7/2020 date. This latest round of orders will destroy businesses, lives, and will only cripple Santa Barbara County in the future as less tax dollars will be generated because no one will be working or buying anything. The orders set forth by him are unfair, unfounded, and absolutely unconstitutional. The latest report from Marian Medical Center (this last week on KEYTV) indicated they had plenty of ICU beds, were still doing elective surgeries, and had plenty of capacity. SB County should in no way be included or impacted by what happens in Riverside, San Diego or LA Counties! This is completely asinine. Let's be more like Beverly Hills and opt-out of these crazy rules.

On the flip side, if we keep wearing masks, practice social distancing, wash hands/use sanitizer, and don't go out if you're sick, we can all do this!! These are reasonable requests that don't hurt our economy and we can all abide by!

Please, I beg of you, consider not following Newsom's shut-down orders, allow businesses to stay open, and we can all do our part to stay safe. Those that are immune compromised, have morbidity factors, or don't want to go out of their house can choose to stay in - but again, please do not allow these orders to force all of us in and shut down our economy. The effects on mental illness and depression are also staggering and I can only imagine how much worse it will get especially over the holidays!

Thank you for considering this request and the pleas of all citizens of Santa Barbara County.

Sincerely,

Lee Anne Hanson 805-720-0085

From:

Kellie Henkel <henkel.kellie@icloud.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 6:15 AM

To:

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Subject:

Oppose governors order

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Hi! We are not LA and should not be lumped with them. Please oppose the governors order!!!!

From:

Alice Post <alicepriscillapost@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 6:26 AM

To:

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Subject:

Refuse to enforce

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#### December 7, 2020

An open letter to Governor Newsom and to his local enforcers, the Supervisors of Santa Barbara County:

I was 100% in support of your early actions in March which saved many lives, closing schools and instituting stay at home orders. I was proud of my state. I am no longer proud.

Much has changed in the past nine months. Look at the incredible response of the American people. We have addressed everything that can be addressed. We have no shortage of respirators. We have increased our supply of hospital beds. We have therapeutics. We have adapted our lifestyles. We even have a vaccine. We are the resilient American people of ingenuity and optimism, and we have done what we always do in the face of disaster.

The goal in March was to bend the curve to save millions of lives and the collapse of our health delivery system. This we have done. Now it seems clear that the goal is to achieve the impossible, to somehow stop the spread of the virus. This is flawed approach. It is the wrong metrics. I reject these metrics.

These flawed metrics will cause such irreparable damage to so many millions of small business owners, like myself, that it simply does not justify the diminishing returns, if in fact there will be any net diminishment in loss of life (from all causes) going forward. We cannot stop the virus and we cannot stop every death from COVID all while we are actually destroying lives and life. What you are doing is blatantly beyond the "least restrictive" judicial measure.

You, Governor Newsom, are riding a high horse, trampling on lives of the little people of California. We are helpless victims in the path of your impossible dreams. We are in a world of hurt. Thankfully, we have three branches of government. Appropriately, the courts have ruled against you. I urge California County Supervisors statewide to resist you and push back at every turn, and follow the correct metrics and the correct responses. Which are:

Maintain reasonable restrictions. Ban gatherings of more than 50 people except for political free speech. Open the elementary schools. Let parents go back to work. Open the churches. Open the restaurants for outdoor seating. Quarantine the actively sick, just as we do for every other virus. Protect the vulnerable. Only those over 60 and those with comorbidities should stay at home. And that should be voluntary. We should also distribute monthly supplies of Vitamin D and Zinc to every household in the state with an income less than \$50,000.

Furthermore, I request that my Santa Barbara County leadership follow the lead of Orange County, Riverside County, and Los Angeles County, and direct our County Sheriff not to enforce this mask and stay-at-home order on individuals or private businesses. In particular, we must allow our local restaurants to remain open, which are the life-blood of our local small business tourist industry. The Coronavirus is no longer an emergency situation. We have already solved all the major issues. It remains a tragedy. But we cannot prevent this tragedy without creating greater tragedy.

Sincerely, Alice Post

From: Paul Poister < Paul.Poister@nutrien.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 6:29 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Stay-at-Home Region Designation

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The tragedy of the COVID pandemic has left no one untouched and until a vaccine is widely available we will continue to be mired in the worst health and economic crisis in generations.

While attempting to fend off a catastrophe in our hospital system the most recent COVID policy shift from Sacramento will only harm the citizens of Santa Barbara County. Including the county in the same region as some of the nation's hardest hit areas is sure to lead to a stay-at-home order in communities where it is not warranted and will only serve to add undue harm to people already struggling.

We join the county's labor, agriculture, and business community in asking the Board of Supervisors to continue to protect both the health and the livelihoods of our neighbors. While we are very sympathetic to the horrible situation in Los Angeles and elsewhere, Santa Barbara County should not be included in the current regionwide restrictions unless county hospitalization numbers and case counts dictate it.

Paul Poister
Manager, Government and Industry Affairs
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From:

exo26dad@netzero.net

Sent:

Friday, December 4, 2020 2:41 PM

To:

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Subject:

covid restrictions

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Dec. 4, 2020

To: Santa Barbara County Supervisors

From: Peter & Tracie Ryan, 1239 Via Pavion, Orcutt Ca. 93455 RE: California governor gavin newsum's latest covid 19 restrictions

#### Dear Supervisors,

We STRONGLY disagree with the latest tactics our state Dictator is implementing for our county and its citizens. We do not feel it is reasonable to be "lumped in" with other county's that are in a much different situation than we are here in S.B. county. We are all big boys and girls and should be allowed to use our own common sense in dealing with this situation. newsum seems to dictate using "knee jerk" tactics that is resulting in the destruction of our schools and many small business' and all the lives affected by such.

In a statement by newsum he said about enforcement, that it would be left up to the local level, but he said there would be consequences for... "Uncooperative" counties. That sound very much like a threat to us, especially when he said it would be left up to the county with regard to enforcement. He followed that up with... "If you're unwilling to adopt the protocols to support the mitigation and the reduction of the spread if this disease, WE'RE HAPPY TO RE-DIRECT THOSE DOLLARS TO COUNTIES THAT FEEL DIFFERENTLY". Hugh? It's up to you but you better do what we say, OR ELSE?? REALLY??? What kind of person do we have in this position?! What is wrong with this guy??!!

S.B. county should stand up to this tyrannical behavior and, if we need any funds he would hold back, perhaps we can demand our share of the BILLION dollars he spent of OUR money that he simply stole from TAX PAYING citizens for face masks form CHINA, that were never received!!!

Stand up to this nonsense.

Signed, Pete & Tracie Ryan

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From: Bobbi McGinnis <c21bobbi@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 8:54 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Demand Removal of Central Coast from the Southern Region

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Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

The link below will show you the number of beds in the County ICU for COVID-19 patients. <a href="https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/030e625c69a04378b2756de161f82ef6">https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/030e625c69a04378b2756de161f82ef6</a>

As you can see we have plenty of capacity for people who get sick. WE are not in the same category as Los Angeles County, Riverside and Sand Diego.

Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo County should not be lumped in with the Southern Region.

Please demand a waiver for our region from the Governor's latest lock downs. This is not fair to local businesses who have been following the letter of the law complying in every way and successfully running their businesses under strict conditions.

Please Demand that Governor Newsom Allow Santa Barbara County to operate under the Purple Tier Rules of the previous guidelines. And request that Sheriff Bill Brown not enforce these restrictions.

Thank you,

Bobbi McGinnis

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From: Micki <micki@palaciosarchitects.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 9:12 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Regional grouping

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I am asking you use your voice to represent us and demand the regional grouping to be more reasonable. Grouping san luis Obispo and santa Barbara counties with los angeles does not make sense. Demand these restrictions to be lifted immediately.

Micki Palacios

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone Get Outlook for Android

From:

Taxiservice door2door <doordoortaxi@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 9:26 AM

To:

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Cc:

miki.hammel@icloud.com; Isloan728@gmail.com; Jonathan McKee

**Subject:** 

Item # 1 public comment for December 8, 2020, County of Santa Barbara Board

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Jonathan McKee here.

Stop all government shut-downs, now!

#### The science isn't there.

The alleged "State Orders" are arbitrary and capricious. Nobody is going to sue the County of Santa Barbara for not enforcing poorly designed Executive Orders -- especially when dictates infringe Constitutional protections. The opposite may occur; enforcement will spawn lawsuits.

We the People are at Liberty to be cautious amongst our own neighbors. Social distancing is a sufficient mitigation method. (Kind of like Leprosy during Bible times.)

The science isn't there. Science does not support random shut-downs. Don't be stupid. Be reasonable.

#### Tell the Sheriff to stand-down on lock-downs.

Respectfully, Jonathan

From: Pam Adkisson <pam.adkisson@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 9:57 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Santa Barbara County lockdown 12.7.20

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This is a slap in the face!
Open Santa Barbara County NOW!!

These businesses, who I will remind you are SB County business, residential, and personal property taxpayers, have pivoted beautifully in the past nine months, while big box stores..deemed "essential".. operate largely unchecked and are now giving out bonuses to employees, while small business is fighting for their very existence!!

So wrong on so many levels. Defy Newsom!! Do the right thing!

Respectfully submitted,

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Monday, December 7, 2020 11:14 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Santa Barbara County should not be lumped into the Southern California Region with other counties that are hundreds of miles away and share few connections with our county.

Public health decisions for Santa Barbara County should be made exclusively by your board and our county public health department.

Heavy-handed edicts issued by Governor Newsom lack legal authority and are especially harmful to vulnerable members of society who have lost jobs, incomes, and livelihoods. These vulnerable residents face increased domestic violence and suicide and decreased access to health care and other vital services.

Please fight for our local residents and tailor public health rules to our unique circumstances. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Gandrud (805) 566-1475 x114

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From: Gregory Gandrud <Greg@gandrudfinancial.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 11:14 AM

To: sbcob

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Heavy-handed edicts issued by Governor Newsom lack legal authority and are especially harmful to vulnerable members of society who have lost jobs, incomes, and livelihoods. These vulnerable residents face increased domestic violence and suicide and decreased access to health care and other vital services.

Please fight for our local residents and tailor public health rules to our unique circumstances. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Gandrud (805) 566-1475 x114

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From:

judybell805 < judybell805@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 11:23 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Keep Santa Barbara open!

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You are ruining our economies! We all support our Restaurants and Service industries. You are making people question your authority. We support keeping Santa Barbara open. Regards, Judith Bell

805 969 2529

Sent from the all new Aol app for iOS

From:

Christopher Kamen <chrisk@villagesite.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 11:26 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

FORCED BANKRUPTCY

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THIS FORCED BANKRUPTCY OF OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES MUST BE STOPPED IMMEDIATELY OR WE WILL HAVE NO LOCAL ECONOMY LEFT. THESE BUSINESSES RELY ON CHRISTMAS RECEIPTS TO GET THEM THROUGH THIS VERY TOUGH YEAR.

From:

shauna soltero <tonyandshauna@sbcglobal.net>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 11:36 AM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Newsoms Stay at home order - hearing

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Requesting you represent US rather than the Governor. There is no reason why moved the goal posts again by eliminating the criteria by which each county was managed individually. In other words, if Gavin hadn't lumped us together to all of So. Cal, people would not be losing their jobs and their businesses just before Christmas!!! Thank you.

Shauna Soltero

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail for iPhone

**From:** Ralph Garcia < RGarcia@Kirbymorgan.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 12:01 PM

To: sbcob

Subject:COVID ClosuresAttachments:sb supervisors.pdf

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Please deliver to SB County Supervisors.

Thank you,

Ralph D. Garcia Controller Kirby Morgan Dive Systems 1430 Jason Way Santa Maria, CA 93455 805-928-7772 x221 805-928-0342 (fax) Ralph@kirbymorgan.com

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Dec. 7, 2020

To: Santa Barbara County Supervisors

From: Ralph & Julie Garcia, 4509 Sunview Drive, Orcutt Ca. 93455

RE: California governor gavin newsum's latest covid 19 restrictions

#### Dear Supervisors,

We STRONGLY disagree with the latest tactics our state Governor is implementing for our county and its citizens. We do not feel it is reasonable to be "lumped in" with other county's that are in a much different situation than we are here in S.B. county. We are all big boys and girls and should be allowed to use our own common sense in dealing with this situation. newsum seems to dictate using "knee jerk" tactics that is resulting in the destruction of our schools and many small business' and all the lives affected by such.

In a statement by newsum he said about enforcement, that it would be left up to the local level, but he said there would be consequences for... "Uncooperative" counties. That sound very much like a threat to us, especially when he said it would be left up to the county with regard to enforcement. He followed that up with... "If you're unwilling to adopt the protocols to support the mitigation and the reduction of the spread if this disease, WE'RE HAPPY TO RE-DIRECT THOSE DOLLARS TO COUNTIES THAT FEEL DIFFERENTLY". Hugh? It's up to you! What kind of person do we have in this position?! What is wrong with this guy??!!

S.B. county should stand up to this tyrannical behavior and, if we need any funds he would hold back, perhaps we can demand our share of the BILLION dollars he spent of OUR money that he simply stole from TAX PAYING citizens for face masks form CHINA, that were never received!!!

Stand up to this nonsense.

Signed, Ralph and Julie Garcia

From: Amy Curti <amycurtiandfam@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 12:14 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** comment for Tuesday's hearing

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#### Dear SB County Supervisors:

I am writing to you as a small business owner in Santa Maria and a supporter of other small businesses in this county. I am asking you to strongly condemn Newsom's order to lump us into LA, Riverside, Orange and San Diego counties and shut down our businesses over the next most important 3 weeks of small business ownership. The loss of income for both owners and our staff is unfathomable in a season that traditionally keeps us afloat in the lean months of winter to follow. It has been made incredibly clear that restaurants are not the main place that transmits covid-19 and we have worked tirelessly to adhere to all the protocol we have been asked to follow and spent countless amounts of money to do so as well. I ask that you work tirelessly for us to keep our businesses thriving (or just surviving) by fighting to remove us from this connection to other more saturated counties. Thank you for your time and consideration of the livelihood of our family and so many others around us.

Amy Curti Owner of Trattoria Uliveto Santa Maria, CA

From: Frank Elswick <pattyelswick@icloud.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 12:30 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Mandatory shutdown

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Dear County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors, Please hear my voice and my concern that governor Newsom has shut down all non-essential businesses for three weeks without any regard for the people running these very, very safe businesses!! It should not be allowed and we should not be grouped in with LA county when our numbers aren't the same!! These businesses have gone way above and beyond to make their businesses safe and to abide by all the rules!! They are punishing all the small businesses while allowing the big box companies to stay open!! This is ridiculous, to say the least!! They are ruining lives and livelihoods at the expense of their political agendas. You need to hear our voices and fight for all of us. Time is of the essence here, as people's lives are being ruined! Please please fight for our community!! If the shutdowns continue you will see a huge mass exodus from California!! Sincerely,

Patricia Elswick

Sent from my iPhone

From:

John & Suzanne Petersen <aunegg@comcast.net>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 1:29 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Gavin Newsom's recent California Shut Down

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors:

"Killing California" should be the title of Bill O'Reilly's new book. California is dying! Have you noticed? Californians are lining up for food distribution throughout the state. Citizens are losing their jobs, their businesses, their property. Suicides, murder and alcoholism are now at alarming rates! All because Governor Newsom has decided we need to shut down the state once again due to a rise in Covid 19. Newsom has decided he wants to rescue us from this virus. Who is going to rescue us from the abject misery and poverty headed toward us once more?

The Governor is taking away our means of support, our right to work and up the line, our property because we won't be able to pay our outrageous taxes. Newsom has thrown us in with other counties because they are reaching 15% remaining occupancy in the ICU's. This is outrageous! Why is he doing this?

Newsom's motives need to be questioned. Who among you will do the inquiry? Our economic health is in grave condition! Someone call 911! As far as our physical health goes: the age groups of 0 to 19 have a 99.997% chance of survival if they contract COVID-19, the age group of 20 to 49 a 99.98% chance, 50 to 69 years old 99.5% and 70 years old and above a 94.6% chance. Most of us can and will recover from Covid-19.

When the lockdown is over, what will be left for us? A neighborhood destroyed by governmental police action? A state paralyzed by a wrecking ball dropped on any remaining entrepreneurship and the prohibition of engaging in any commerce? Will demand and supply be relegated to a long lost memory of past freedoms to purchase and sell what was needed for our survival?

Please, board members, step up to the plate and tell Governor Newsom: "Keep your hands off of our county! We can do just fine solving our own problems! Do not shut down our lives and deprive us of our livelihood again!" If you do not stop this tyranny, you are part of the problem. You are supposed to work for us, not Gavin Newsom! Just do your job!

Suzanne and John Petersen Solvang, CA 93463

From:

Greg Jenkins < greg@gcjarchitect.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 1:43 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Stop the lockdown!

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Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors,

I am a fifty-year resident of Santa Barbara County, Licensed Architect, and former County Planning Commissioner.

Please ignore in the latest draconian edicts being passed down by Governor Newsom. Shutting down outdoor dining in restaurants is not based on any science! Restaurant owners have invested thousands of dollars to create safe and comfortable outdoor dining areas in order to be compliant with the ever-changing mandates. Why cripple and punish them for their efforts?

Stop trying to "educate the public". That term is both arrogant and insulting. Trust your constituency to make informed decisions on our own, without depriving us of our freedoms. We know the risks, and we know how to protect ourselves if indeed we fall into one of the very small categories of vulnerability to the virus.

Every business owner and employee should be considered essential. It's essential that they provide for themselves and their families. The Governor is so out of touch with what it takes for the average person to survive and to thrive, while he lives in the lap of luxury. Not to mention his own hypocrisy by ignoring his own ridiculous rules.

Please be true leaders and push back against a Governor who doesn't have a clue.

Respectfully submitted, Greg Jenkins



Gregory C. Jenkins ARCHITECT (805) 637-2116

From:	Tami Bollay <tami@bollay.com></tami@bollay.com>
Sent:	Monday, December 7, 2020 1:48 PM
To:	sbcob
Subject:	COVID Restrictions
	iginated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open ou verify the sender and know the content is safe.
Dear County Superviso	ors,
Thank you for your se	rvice to our community.
I am respectfully askin	ng that you consider not locking down Santa Barbara County again for the following reasons:
Unlike Los Angeles or s space around us unlike	Sacramento, we have fewer people (approximately 440,000) in our county and we have more e in cities.
The economic hardshi County budgets.	p created by continued lockdowns are going to have disastrous affects on all budgets, including
<del>-</del>	and Buellton, there have been numerous business closures. To date, there are two wine tasting , two clothing stores, a Solvang tourist store and a restaurant closed.
Many people I have sp	ooken with do not agree with the lockdowns.
	som has ordered these lockdowns through executive order. Our representatives have not met ouents and I believe that is not within the law.
More importantly, bot	h Governor Newsom and Senator Pelosi have defied their own orders.
Thank you for your tim	ie.
Regards,	
Гаті Bollay Santa Ynez	

From:

Michael Lovell < lovell@cox.net>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 2:01 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

**Covid Restrictions** 

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I'm opposed to your restrictions due to Covid-19. There's a much better system backed by doctors from around the world. Please refer to "The Great Barrington Declaration."

**From:** Steve Petersen <rvettt@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 2:10 PM

To:sbcobSubject:Shutdown

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I speak for myself and my local extended family. I have lived here for almost 80 years now and the last thing I want Santa Barbara to be is related to LA. Most people feel we are an island by ourselves away from the chaos of our big southern California neighborhood cities. This is why so many visitors from the south visit our beautiful city. Our economy is centered around tourism. That is the lifeblood of our economy, take that away and we're just another city in this massive state. On top of that we are a very expensive place to live and without tourism, our primary source of income, this cities' population will be in serious danger. Many of our population are in the service business and, as it is, live paycheck to paycheck. Take their livelihood from them and they cannot afford to live here. Many families don't have a fallback position to afford not receiving a paycheck. Santa Barbara and the central coast are a total separate entity from the rest of southern California. This lockdown of our businesses is ridiculous and should be immediately rescinded. Please contact the governor and other powers to be in Sacramento and protect our beautiful area from the whims of our overzealous controlling state government.

Steve P.

From: Colin <colinjk@comcast.net>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 2:24 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Closure of businesses is wrong. I urge you supervisors to defy this rule. No sane

person agrees with this!!!!!

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Sent from my iPhone

From:

Maria Fuller <mfuller4478@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 2:32 PM

To:

sbcob

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Maria Fuller

Subject:

Support small business

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Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

My name is Maria Gallegos-Fuller and I live in the Orcutt community. I am asking you to strongly oppose Gov. Newsom's latest restrictions which are having a devastating impact on restaurants and other small businesses. Please, please support these business owners and their employees. Fight for them, they want to work and our community wants to be allowed to buy their products and services. Lend your voice to their cause. It is time for you to speak up and be courageous.

Most sincerely, Maria Gallegos-Fuller

P.S. While your at it, how about speaking up about opening our churches too. With Christmas, just days away, open our sanctuaries!

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Lisa Sloan <lsloan728@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 2:43 PM

To:

sbcob; info@sbsheriff.org; Adam, Peter; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Lavagnino,

Steve; Hart, Gregg; Do-Reynoso, Van; Ansorg, Henning

Subject:

Please Stop the Lockdowns

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December 8, 2020
Santa Barbara County BOS Hearing
Item #1 Coronavirus Update
Public comment submitted for the public record

Honorable Chairman Hart and Members of the Board,

As a resident of Santa Barbara County, I ask for your help. Ostensibly, the continued lockdowns were intended to prevent the spread of Covid 19. However, doctors do not all agree that lockdowns are the best way to address the spread of coronavirus. On October 4, 2020, a group of 47 American doctors [and now over 45,000 doctors have] signed The Great Barrington Declaration, which states:

'As infectious disease epidemiologists and public health scientists we have grave concerns about the damaging physical and mental health impacts of the prevailing COVID-19 policies, and recommend an approach we call Focused Protection.

Coming from both the left and right, and around the world, we have devoted our careers to protecting people. Current lockdown policies are producing devastating effects on short and long-term public health. The results (to name a few) include lower childhood vaccination rates, worsening cardiovascular disease outcomes, fewer cancer screenings and deteriorating mental health – leading to greater excess mortality in years to come, with the working class and younger members of society carrying the heaviest burden. Keeping students out of school is a grave injustice.

Keeping these measures in place until a vaccine is available will cause irreparable damage, with the underprivileged disproportionately harmed.

Fortunately, our understanding of the virus is growing. We know that vulnerability to death from COVID-19 is more than a thousand-fold higher in the old and infirm than the young. Indeed, for children, COVID-19 is less dangerous than many other harms, including influenza.

As immunity builds in the population, the risk of infection to all – including the vulnerable – falls. We know that all populations will eventually reach herd immunity – i.e. the point at which the rate of new infections is stable – and that this can be assisted by (but is not dependent upon) a vaccine. Our goal should therefore be to minimize mortality and social harm until we reach herd immunity.

The most compassionate approach that balances the risks and benefits of reaching herd immunity, is to allow those who are at minimal risk of death to live their lives normally to build up immunity to the virus through natural infection, while better protecting those who are at highest risk. We call this Focused Protection.

Adopting measures to protect the vulnerable should be the central aim of public health responses to COVID-19. By way of example, nursing homes should use staff with acquired immunity and perform frequent PCR testing of other staff and all visitors. Staff rotation should be minimized. Retired people living at home should have groceries and other essentials delivered to their home. When possible, they should meet family members outside rather than inside. A comprehensive and detailed list of measures, including approaches to multi-generational households, can be implemented, and is well within the scope and capability of public health professionals.

Those who are not vulnerable should immediately be allowed to resume life as normal. Simple hygiene measures, such as hand washing and staying home when sick should be practiced by everyone to reduce the herd immunity threshold. Schools and universities should be open for in-person teaching. Extracurricular activities, such as sports, should be resumed. Young low-risk adults should work normally, rather than from home. Restaurants and other businesses should open. Arts, music, sport and other cultural activities should resume. People who are more at risk may participate if they wish, while society as a whole enjoys the protection conferred upon the vulnerable by those who have built up herd immunity.'

# More information can be found at GBDeclaration.org

Covid is not the only cause of illness or death in Santa Barbara County. As the President has wisely stated, "The cure cannot be worse than the disease." The First Amendment of the Constitution protects our God-given rights to freedom of speech, religion, and to peaceably assemble from laws written to infringe them. Besides, there is no provision in the Constitution that nullifies our freedoms identified in the Bill of Rights during a state of emergency, public health or otherwise. We must stop the lockdowns and open up the churches, businesses and schools. As Supervisors, you represent the people and you must protect our Constitutional rights, as you have sworn in your oath of office to uphold.

As a resident of Santa Barbara County, I care about the spiritual, mental and physical health of my family, friends and neighbors. And as a citizen of the United States of America, I implore you to stop the lockdowns.

Sincerely,

Lisa Sloan Goleta 6

From:

Michael DiBrezzo <mdibrezzo@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, December 7, 2020 2:32 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

It's inconstitutional and illegal.

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Organize a rally, a protest, attack City Hall. Organize a picnic in the park across from City Hall. Have participants prepared to refuse to accept and, or sign for any citations. Force mass arrests. Don't carry identification.

Form a coalition and join forces with Santa Barbara's small business owners who are being destroyed. Do something besides carry water for the Republican Party.

From: Michael DiBrezzo <mdibrezzo@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 2:36 PM

To:sbcobSubject:Show up

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Get motivated members to show up. To hell with attendance not permitted. There is a tremendous resentment against the entire covid 19 and how it's been handled. Grow some spine and do something effective. Stop being polite and lawful. Sheep get fleeced and then slaughtered for meat.