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California’s local public health officials and elected leaders are operating under great pressure to protect public safety while maintaining a working local economy. We respect and applaud your efforts and commitment.

We also believe that finding the right balance depends on close coordination with state leaders, beginning with the Governor and his top public health advisors.

In short, we strongly urge that you align our county’s public health response with the Governor’s guidance, which is [clearly outlined in these documents](#). We believe that taking dramatic actions beyond those recommended by the Governor may unnecessarily damage our communities, without a known improvement in public health. We highlight for you the Governor’s specific guidance on gathering and certain commercial activities.

- [Gathering guidance.](#)
- [Retail food, beverage and other related service venues.](#)
- [Food supply chain.](#)
- [Certain entertainment venues.](#)

Protecting public health and safety are paramount, and we believe that the Governor has created a template that will achieve that goal while also ensuring that our local economy can continue to operate and our residents can safely work.

Thank you for your leadership in our communities. Please know that the Chambers of Commerce are available to provide such assistance as you need now and going forward.

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