

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 9:55 AM
To: All BOS Board Members
Subject: FW: Reopening of parks & public spaces

District 5

From: Amanda Oberacker [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 9:45 AM
To: HHSA <HHSA@co.nevada.ca.us>; bdofsupervisors <bdofsupervisors@co.nevada.ca.us>; CEO <ceo@co.nevada.ca.us>
Subject: Reopening of parks & public spaces

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Hello Mr. Gruver & NV Co. Board of Supervisors,

First please let me commend you for working hard during undoubtedly one of the most challenging moments of your career. The lack of concrete knowledge about COVID is forcing health officials such as yourself to use their best judgement as to how we should proceed with reopening. I would like to take this moment to urge you to reopen the county's open & public spaces- such as golf courses, parks, tennis courts and swimming pools. While risk remains until a vaccine is present, the ability to spend time in outdoor spaces is crucial to the mental and emotional state of our residents. In addition, I believe that our population is prudent enough to take the necessary steps to mitigate the spread of the virus while spending time outdoors. I urge you follow in the footsteps of neighboring counties with the opening of these public spaces.

Thank you for your time and consideration on the matter,

Amanda Oberacker
Truckee Resident
[REDACTED]

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Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Ed Scofield
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 10:52 AM
To: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Cc: Alison Lehman
Subject: FW: Stay at Home Order Restrictions in Nevada County

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From: Lydia Watson [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 10:16 AM
To: Ed Scofield <Ed.Scofield@co.nevada.ca.us>
Cc: lydia Watson [REDACTED]
Subject: Stay at Home Order Restrictions in Nevada County

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Dear Mr. Scofield,

We need to consider easing up on the Stay at Home Restrictions. We are not Los Angeles. Nevada County is not a hot spot. It's been six weeks and only one death. More people have fatalities, major injuries in car accidents on Highway 49. Our citizens are losing businesses. We don't need a Great Depression. Our fire season is coming and what's left of our businesses will take a hit again with PG&E power shut offs, which last for for days. We need to move forward , even in baby steps, to ease this now. Please forward this message on. Thank you.

Best Regards,

Lydia Watson

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Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Chris Barkman [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 8:16 AM
To: Richard Anderson
Subject: Re-opening our county

Importance: High

Richard Anderson,

Chris Barkman here, a local multi-small business owner in Truckee and Northlake Tahoe.

My wife (Kel) and I own and operate 3 wine bars and two restaurants across Northlake Tahoe and Truckee.

I can only imagine you are under a severe amount of pressure and I don't mean to be insensitive to that. I feel inclined to communicate to you, so you can pass it on to the powers at be. We need a time line for re-opening, the continuous "I don't have an answer" is counter productive and basically as a county we aren't moving forward with that answer.

At the end of the day the curve has flattened in Placer and Nevada County and the hospitals are not overwhelmed. It appears to me we've all done our job and by no means am I saying this pandemic is over. But we can not keep extending this shelter. At this point the community is practicing caution and following all guidelines from the CDC. It's time to let those who aren't compromised or sick to go back to normalcy and those who are should continue to shelter in place.

Thank you for your consideration!

Chris Barkman

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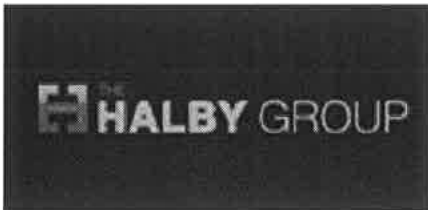
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From: Anthony Halby [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 8:38 AM
To: BOS Public Comment
Subject: Board of Supervisors

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I'm one that would like to see our county open up a little bit. Restuarants can open, and have people sit at every other table. People need haircuts and that can be done safely. I know I'm in the minority, but I believe in opening up, let us build up immunity, and let those of us who know the risk, and are willing to take the risk, live a little.

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From: Google Voice [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 7:13 AM
To: nc.public.comment@gmail.com
Subject: New voicemail from [REDACTED]

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This is Matthew Colter citizen of Nevada County California. I would like my comment to be read into the record what wage the [REDACTED] is going on this morning in one hour suicide deaths overdoses attempted arson ,all kinds of chaos going on and you guys are just doing business as usual people are dying in our community Elders are dying children are following out a second-story a Windows due to drunk parents. What are you doing to control? The Chaos that is bestowed our town. I would like to know I would like to know if any of you have ever listened to the scanner has ever listened to the instruction of our First Responders in action. PTSD is a thing for First Responders Fire EMS police may have to pick up your mouse that you're creating with these insane things that you're pushing through while no one can comment on it and no one can even see the packets and I can even get to the information yet business as usual wake-up put down the bottle and get real people are dying.

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Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Tyler Freeland [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 11:01 AM
To: BOS Public Comment; bdotsupervisors
Subject: [QUARANTINE] Local food business

Importance: Low

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to you as a local business owner, concerned about the future in a COVID-19 world. I am an attorney practicing here in Nevada County, and my partner owns a food business called Kaliko's Hawaiian Kitchen. I currently reside in District 3.

In late 2016, my partner Tyler and I started Kaliko's Hawaiian Kitchen. I was 9 months pregnant with our son (Kaliko). Tyler had been working in local restaurants for over a decade, but was wanting to strive for and achieve more. Inspired by other successful food businesses here in our county, we decided to start a food booth to sell food at local events. Our first event ever was Victorian Christmas. Within the year, Kaliko's Hawaiian Kitchen's business skyrocketed, and we ended up opening up a small brick and mortar location in Nevada City. Things did not work out for us there, but the "mobile" aspect of our business where we are booked to sell food at large street fairs and music festivals continued to explode and thrive. A businesses that we started with less than \$5000, went on to gross more than six figures in the first year. And that growth has continued steadily in the last three years.

In just three years, we have accomplished so much. We sell food at some of the largest music festivals in the state. The beauty of our business is that we get to travel to various locations throughout California, but still bring the money we make back to the spend in the local economy here in Nevada County where I have lived for nearly seven years and Tyler has lived for almost 20 years. For someone like Tyler who does not have a college degree, this business is an amazing testament to what hard work, grit, and determination will bring to those who try. He earns more from this business in one year than he would working 3-5 years as a cook in a local restaurant.

And, we are not the only successful local mobile food business in this situation. We have several good friends in this business locally who support their families entirely and comfortably from the money made selling food at events. The uncertainty of the future of large events has left my partner Tyler in tears.

COVID-19 has put a stop to all large gatherings for the foreseeable future and like so many of our fellow small business owners we are facing an uncertain time. The difficulty we face is that unlike a restaurant, we are left without the ability to "pivot" to do curbside pick up on a regular basis. We recently were able to do a successful pop-up up in Truckee with Alibi Aleworks where we were able to offer our food on their menu through their kitchen for curbside pick up, all the while limiting social contact and taking all safety precautions. While the money we made from this pop up was only a drop in the bucket in comparison of what our business grosses at a large festival, that small amount helps our family tremendously during these times.

My question to you is: how will the county help to implement measures to keep businesses like ours alive, and what can be done to help us "pivot" while events are temporarily on hold? Can the Board of Supervisors encourage Environmental Health to allow us to set up our booth at a safe location in the county and offer curbside pick up? This alone could help our businesses survive.

I feel that it is time to consider all options available.

In 2018, Governor Jerry Brown signed AB 626 into law which allowed for "microenterprise" food businesses to legally sell 60 meals prepared at home per week. The legislative intent was to allow for greater access to the food industry to "minority" groups so often facing huge barriers to entry into the restaurant industry because of high start up costs of commercial kitchens. But, AB 626 left it up to each county's Environmental Health department as to whether or not they wanted to implement the program. Thus far, Nevada County has chosen NOT to implement this program. And, if I am being honest... I can see why the EH department would choose not to enact such a program because it does mean more work. However, the benefit to local food entrepreneurs would be **tremendous** and would allow for so many to build a solid small food business just as we have.

In our community, access to commercial kitchen for businesses like ours is challenging. Many dream of opening a food business, but cannot find a suitable kitchen share, let alone shoulder the high costs. I know of food businesses in this county who are essentially operating outside of the law from home and are successful. Can we really fault them for wanting to support their family? Simply implementing AB 626 would allow them to become legitimate.

While I can understand why COVID-19 safety precautions would possibly not support allowing food entrepreneurs to operate from home at this time, perhaps the county can facilitate access to commercial kitchens (I can provide in greater detail why it is a challenge for us in a later email) so that mobile food businesses can offer curbside pick up and delivery during this time? Perhaps the county can temporarily allow for a safe "pop-up" for a limited amount of food booths/temporary food facilities where orders can be taken online and the food picked up curbside.

Kaliko's Hawaiian Kitchen has a strong following here in Nevada County, and this local community supports us so much.

I could go on for many more paragraphs because I feel so passionately about our business and the hurdles we face now and will continue to face in the months to come. If there is an opportunity for me to speak with one of you, or provide a more in-depth letter or in-address, please let me know.

Best regards,

Megan Sasaki

Aloha,
Tyler & Megan

