



## MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office is closely monitoring the ever-changing status regarding COVID-19 also known as coronavirus. The health and safety of those in our care and our staff is of the highest importance to us. Therefore, out of an abundance of caution, as of midnight on March 17, 2020, the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office will be suspending all visitation activity for an initial period through March 31, 2020, at which time we will reevaluate the ongoing status of the coronavirus pandemic.

To do our part to slow the spread of the virus, the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with our medical staff and the New River Health District has established the following plan:

1. We have added an extra layer of screening of prisoners in law enforcement custody by jail staff prior to entry into the jail facility
2. Educational hygiene reminders for our employees and the inmates in our care
3. Reviewing and updating our existing response and quarantine plan for those in our care
4. Enhanced cleaning throughout the jail facility
5. Increased prevention and wellness supply within the facility

We are currently working with our phone vendor, GTL, to establish two free five-minute phone calls with inmates during this time. This should be established within the next 24 hours.

At this time, attorneys are still permitted to visit their client in person, provided they pass the necessary precautionary screening. Additionally, fingerprinting for the general public is also cancelled until further notice.

We take the health and safety of our inmates and staff very seriously and we ask for the public's patience as this situation continues to evolve.

For up to date information, please visit [www.montva.com/coronavirus](http://www.montva.com/coronavirus)