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## MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TAKES CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS

*Jail Inmate Family Visitations Cancelled Temporarily – Professional Visits Continue*

**Rochester, NY (March 12, 2020)** – The safety of the Monroe County community, including incarcerated individuals, visitors to the Monroe County Jail, and the Monroe County Sheriff's Office staff remains a top priority as severe respiratory illness outbreaks continue to evolve and spread globally. As a result, Monroe County Sheriff Todd K. Baxter is temporarily cancelling Monroe County Jail inmate visitations and non-essential service related to contact visits until further notice. Professional/essential visits continue as usual, to include attorney visits that take place behind protective windows.

MCSO understands visitation is an essential part of corrections, and important to families. In an effort to encourage these relationships, MCSO is examining opportunities to provide additional phone calls for each incarcerated individual at no cost. If the stoppage of visitation continues for a prolonged period, MCSO will re-evaluate this procedure.

The Monroe County Sheriff's Office will continue to monitor the situation and coordinate with the Monroe County Department of Public Health.

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