

**FGCU Housing and Residence Life  
COVID-19 Update #1**

**1:00PM Wednesday, 3/17/2020**

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY – INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL HOUSING STUDENTS**

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Dear Housing Resident,

We are providing you some additional information specific to your residence on campus. Yesterday, the Board of Governors directed the 12 state universities to extend remote instruction through the end of this spring semester. As each day unfolds, we are faced with new challenges and we are working hard to prepare effective responses to these challenges. Please review the information below:

1. Housing on campus will remain open during this time period. However, we strongly encourage residents to return to their homes away from FGCU, where possible. If you wish to check-out of your space, additional information will be sent to you by the end of the day explaining our checkout process. Please allow us some time to prepare and design this process so that it can work effectively and promote the expectations of social distancing.
2. Guests are no longer allowed to visit campus housing (North Lake Village, South Village, and West Lake Village) other than for the purposes of assisting with moving out. We please ask for your support with this request to support our need for increased social distancing.
3. Mail – we continue to process all postal mail and will do so unless deliveries are stopped.
4. Refunds – Florida Gulf Coast University is actively working with the Florida Board of Governors for the 12 state universities, including FGCU, to look at options regarding refunds and credits for campus housing. There are a variety of factors to consider, such as financial aid implications. We will communicate with students as soon as a decision is made.

As mentioned in our campus email yesterday, these are challenging times for our campus community and beyond. Please know our housing staff are working tirelessly to promote the safety of our community. We will provide you additional information regarding a check-out process later on today.

Please continue to visit <https://www.fgcu.edu/coronaupdate/> for the latest information on the COVID-19 virus responses for our campus.

Sincerely,

Jameson Moschella  
Director, Office of Housing and Residence Life