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Saturday street closures to expand outdoor dining, encourage shopping downtown resumes July 11

HAYWARD, Calif., July 09, 2020—The City of Hayward announced today it will continue through the rest of July and August its program of closing B and Main streets on Saturday afternoons and evenings to expand space for outdoor dining and encourage shopping downtown.

The event, which resumes this Saturday, July 11, will include B Street from Foothill to Watkins Street and Main Street from A to C streets, and is scheduled to take place from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Vehicles will be cleared from the enclosure area starting at 2 p.m.

On June 19, the Alameda County Health Officer amended the county COVID-19 shelter-in-place order to allow for reopening of all retail stores and outdoor dining.

The street closures will allow restaurants to pull tables out onto sidewalks and street areas in front of their businesses, providing expanded areas intended to help restaurants meet county and state distancing and other safety protocols, including the wearing of masks or other face coverings.

The event is being carried out as a pilot program in cooperation with downtown businesses and business associations, and could be continued beyond August depending on attendance and the experiences of our downtown restaurants and retail shops and stores.

To learn more and for a list of participating businesses, go online to the Together for Downtown Hayward [event page](#) on the City of Hayward website.