



Visitors and Neighbors:

In recent weeks, Coronavirus (COVID-19) has affected cities, states and entire countries around the world. That includes our Belmont, N.C. Mindful of growing health concerns, many of our wonderful amenities and attractions in Belmont have closed. Unfortunately, that includes cancellation of the upcoming and inaugural celebration of Belmont Blooms.

The City of Belmont has cancelled planned events throughout March and April. This includes the Belmont Blooms Light the Night Parade, Arbor Day Celebration, Easter Egg Hunt and Garibaldi Festival. The city's Friday Night Live kickoff concert featuring 42 is postponed until later in the summer series.

Furthermore, Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden has closed its gates through the end of March, and, per a statewide mandate, restaurants have shuttered indoor dining temporarily.

This ongoing pandemic is unpredictable, raising many challenges in sharing Belmont, N.C., with those who visit our city. However, we know that health and safety are paramount, taking immense priority to celebrations and other activities.

As we face this uncertainty together, we encourage those who reside here or visit in the weeks ahead to support our many small businesses, including unique boutique shopping in historic downtown and numerous restaurants that continue to offer takeout and delivery options. Additionally, the many springtime blossoms planted in anticipation of Belmont Blooms are still sprouting to life across the area; you are still quite welcome to enjoy the fresh southern breeze and beautiful sights this season.

We appreciate each of you and your enthusiasm for Belmont, N.C. and all it has to offer. We look forward to sharing fun and festivities from the place "where southern charm blossoms" with you again soon.

Sincerely,

Visit Belmont, NC

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About Belmont, N.C.

Belmont, N.C., is located in Gaston County, 15 minutes west of Uptown Charlotte. Whether you're visiting us for the first time for a vacation getaway or returning for a daytime adventure, you're sure to enjoy a truly unique experience in Belmont. Once a place where textile industries served as the lifeblood of the community, the city now stands as a successful example of commerce and redevelopment, while maintaining charm and hospitality. With picturesque nuances brushed throughout the town, Belmont offers a scenic view of historical homes, vintage streetlamps, red brick sidewalks and memories of a simpler time. It's a community that embraces entertainment, the arts, unique local retail, destination restaurants and a variety of special events. For more information, visit us online at www.visitbelmontnc.org.