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## **Greene County Commission adopts amendments to the Road to Recovery Order**

Today the Greene County Commission voted to adopt amendments to the current Road to Recovery Order.

The new Order, which goes into effect immediately, amends mass gatherings from 15 to 25 people, and opens places of worship to in-person services, as well as enhanced risk activities such as opening swimming pools, bars, nightclubs and taprooms, and movie, concerts and other entertainment venues. While this Order opens churches to in-person services, drive-through and virtual services in the County are strongly recommended due to the highly contagious nature of this disease.

To see the full Order, visit [greenecountymo.gov](http://greenecountymo.gov).

Throughout this process the County Commission has expressed gratitude and appreciation for the unique partnership with the City of Springfield. While the respective Orders differ slightly, the Commission supports the City of Springfield Order, understanding the city's enhanced risk due to the higher population density.

“We are pleased to be able to continue to look at opening in phases and we do so with the guidance and counsel of many leaders, including those from the health department and local health systems,” said Greene County Presiding Commissioner Bob Dixon. “As we open activities, we still strongly urge individuals and businesses to do so while following the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control.”

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*Greene County is the State of Missouri's fourth most populous county, serving more than 275,000 people (2010 census). Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including*

*those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.*

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