

# Stanford | Office of Alcohol Policy and Education

## Updates and announcements due to COVID-19 (as of October 27, 2020)

For the most up to date information about health, safety and university policies and operations, please go to <https://healthalerts.stanford.edu> and you can find the most recent (October 5, 2020) Order of the Health Officer of Santa Clara County [here](#).

OAPE remains open for limited services in a virtual capacity at this time and has shifted many of our core programs to reflect university policies and guidelines put forth by President Marc Tessier-Lavigne in his [August 28, 2020 update](#).

The following sections will be updated as more information heading into winter quarter becomes available.

### Cardinal Nights Updates

Cardinal Nights is offering online activities and programs for students to connect virtually. Information can be found in the weekly email blasts. If you have questions, please contact Trista Shideler at [tshidele@stanford.edu](mailto:tshidele@stanford.edu)

### 5-SURE Safe Rides Updates

5-SURE safe rides are on hold for an indefinite period of time. If you have questions, please contact Joe Kaczorowski at [jkacz@stanford.edu](mailto:jkacz@stanford.edu)

### 5-SURE on Foot Updates

5-SURE on Foot services has transitioned to COVID-19 Peer Health Advocates for 2020-2021 year. If you have questions, please contact Joe Kaczorowski at [jkacz@stanford.edu](mailto:jkacz@stanford.edu)

### Party Planning Alcohol Policy/Guidelines Interim Adjustments for COVID-19 for Academic Year 2020 - 2021

Undergraduate voluntary student organizations and student residences may not furnish, purchase, or reimburse the purchase of alcohol for individuals attending virtual parties/functions under the current COVID-19 conditions and expectations. VSOs and residences should actively encourage lawful and responsible use for their members/residents at these registered parties and follow current party planning guidelines and policies as applicable. Individuals may lawfully purchase and possess their own alcoholic beverages for personal consumption without reimbursement at virtual registered parties.

Only graduate student voluntary student organizations and graduate student-only residences can furnish/purchase and submit reimbursement for alcohol for individuals who are 21 years and older attending approved registered virtual parties/functions under the current COVID-19 conditions and expectations. VSO leaders and CAs may purchase and have alcoholic beverages

delivered to individuals who are 21 years and older as long as the purchase and delivery is through a legitimate and legal third-party vendor (DoorDash, InstaCart, BevMo, Winery, etc.) which requires validation of age at delivery. The amount provided should not exceed a six-pack of 12oz beers/alcoholic seltzers or a 750mL bottle of wine. Hard liquor is not allowed to be purchased/delivered. Equally attractive non-alcohol beverages (EANABs) should be offered as an alternative. VSOs and residences should actively encourage lawful and responsible use for their members/residents at these registered parties and follow current party planning guidelines/policies and ASSU funding parameters as applicable.

To register a party, please complete this [party registration form](#).

We also encourage students to remain social via virtual connections and to please practice safe and responsible behaviors with alcohol. OAPE has put together tips and guidelines on [hosting virtual happy hours](#). In the meantime, [online party planning training](#) and [online sober monitor training](#) remain active. Thank you and stay safe wherever you may be right now. For questions, please contact Joe Kaczorowski at [jkacz@stanford.edu](mailto:jkacz@stanford.edu)

## **Citation and Court Updates**

The Office of Alcohol Policy and Education (OAPE) partners with Santa Clara County to serve as an on-campus diversion program for substance use-related court citations. Instead of attending and accruing diversion program hours at the county's public diversion program classes, students are able to utilize free diversion program hours through OAPE's education meetings and seminars.

At the direction of Presiding Judge Deborah A. Ryan and for the health and safety of all users of the Court, effective March 16 through April 5, 2020, all court matters will be rescheduled in the [Santa Clara County Superior Court](#).

If you have a substance use-related, court citation and/or an outstanding citation (prior to the pandemic) for the Santa Clara County court, below are recommended steps to proceed with your court case. Please note that the pandemic's Shelter-in-Place order has impacted court proceedings and staff capacity. Please also note that the court is a public entity separate from the Office of Alcohol Policy and Education or other campus offices. This means that OAPE does not have purview or influence over the court's operations and/or specific information regarding your citation case.

1. **Online Self-Help Form and Live Chat:** For Santa Clara County Court cases, we encourage you to utilize the court's Self-Help Center online form and live-chat page here: [https://www.scscourt.org/self\\_help/self\\_help\\_question\\_form.shtml](https://www.scscourt.org/self_help/self_help_question_form.shtml)
2. **Phone Call to Court Staff:** Our staff has attempted to call the court. Unfortunately, due to pandemic's impact, the courthouses' reduced office hours and at-capacity voice mailboxes have significantly delayed access to a courthouse staff.
3. **Direct Court Scheduling:** Courthouses around the nation are utilizing third-party companies for remote/telephonic court appearances. Santa Clara County is utilizing the third-party company, CourtCall. One method to arrange your court appearance is to directly contact CourtCall staff to schedule an appearance between you and one of the

Santa Clara County courthouses. Please call their main office helpline at 888-882-6878 or you can access their contact page here: <https://courtcall.com/contact-us/>

If you have a court case outside of Santa Clara county, please reach out to your citation's designated county's court house for further information on your court case's requirements:

1. Please note that OAPE's Diversion Program Court Paperwork may or may not be sufficient for your case if your citation is for a different county.
2. Similar to our guidelines for Santa Clara County Court cases, some counties are using a third-party company for remote/telephonic court appearance. Please check your designated county court office if they are utilizing a third-party company. Calling these third-party companies directly to arrange a court appearance may expedite the process.
3. For more questions specific to your court case, please contact your designated county court office.

You can also check the status of your court case [here](#). If you have questions on the above guidelines, please contact OAPE staff, Vy Hoang, at [vyhoang@stanford.edu](mailto:vyhoang@stanford.edu)

### What OAPE educational services can I access virtually?

All individual meetings with OAPE educators will be conducted online via Zoom. Please contact Natalie Thomas ([thomasnc@stanford.edu](mailto:thomasnc@stanford.edu)) to schedule a meeting.

OAPE will seek to conduct trainings and workshops via zoom rather than in-person. OAPE will seek to make as many trainings online as is possible

OAPE currently has sober monitor training available [online](#). To schedule a training or workshop with OAPE please continue to use the [training request form](#).

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Are there recovery meetings available?

Yes! The Stanford Collegiate Recovery community is holding an All-Recovery meeting on Fridays from 3:30 - 4:30 PST and it is open to any Stanford student (undergrad, graduate, postdoc, etc.) that wishes to join. This is an inclusive meeting open to all ages, genders, sexualities, race/ethnicity, spiritualities, and experiences. We welcome you in ANY stage or state of your recovery journey. Please contact Corey Lamb by phone (714-605-1520) or email ([clamb80@stanford.edu](mailto:clamb80@stanford.edu)) for info, questions, and zoom link.

For other virtual recovery meetings, you might consider [these options](#).

If my group wants an educational training can we still request it?

Some of our [trainings](#) can be conducted via Zoom. We also have some trainings available online that are self-paced.

Please stay safe, wear a mask,  
wash your hands and  
stay six feet away from others!