

# How The Restaurant And Hospitality Community Is Coping With The Coronavirus Pandemic

A continuously updated record of reactions, fears, advice, hopes, and inspiration.

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We're in the beginning stages of organizing how we can best operate. We are looking at reopening in late July/early August. Quite frankly, retrofitting our restaurants with plexi-glass everywhere is not something I want to do. Dining out in Hawaii—I think more than in many other places—is a communal activity, and I'd rather wait til things are safer. We're fortunate that both our restaurants are open-air—no closed interiors in either—and to also have completely outdoor dining areas. Obviously, our year-round good weather allows us to make the most of all of this. We will set every table, service station, everything that is movable, six feet away from anything else. And we're asking the county liquor commission to extend our premises so we can utilize the lawn at Frida's.