Vehicle Gatherings and Car Parades During COVID-19

Why Have Vehicle Gatherings

It is necessary that we stay safe even as we recognize graduations, holidays and other important milestones.

The safest way to prevent illness is to stay home.

What should I consider if I want to plan a car parade or parking lot ceremony?

Older adults and those in high risk groups do not want to feel left out so think carefully about whether these events need to happen.

Carefully consider what preparations need to be made so that there is no risk of spreading the disease.

People who cannot get a car must find other ways to participate as ridesharing is not allowed.

If You Decide to Host a Car Parade or Parking Lot Ceremony

Carpooling is not allowed. Every household should be in a separate car.

Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough) should not attend at all.

Everyone must remain in their cars. If the windows are closed, cars can park next to each other, but if the windows are open, they need to be 6ft apart.

Create a traffic flow plan for how cars will enter and exit.

Make the event very short.

Do not provide or share food or drinks at the event.

Do not provide public or portable bathrooms.

Use individual microphones, if possible. If they must be shared, clean after each speaker or leave microphone untouched on a stand.

Physical contact or passing of objects between cars should not be done.

Partner with local public safety officials so they are aware of your event.

Sources:
MDH: https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/vehiclegather.pdf

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