

# BRINGING EVENTS BACK

Austin-Travis County Covid-19 Safety Guide for Venues & Special Events

## Outdoor Stationary Events (Pod Seating Events)

Outdoor stationary events that utilize pods or a pod seating concept are designed to promote social distancing while allowing attendees to enjoy a performance.

### Ways to successfully plan outdoor stationary events:

- Social Distancing
  - Ensure a group of 10 or fewer individuals are at least six feet from another group of ten or fewer individuals, except when the groups are seated at tables that are at least four feet apart and separated by a solid barrier.
  - Offer clear communication to prospective attendees of event about health precautions and the expectation for all attendees.
  - When ticketing, ensure attendees are only with members of their pod.
  - Ensure enough room to space groups at least six feet apart during the event.
  - Ensure attendees maintain social distance when they leave their pod or exit the event.
- Amplified Sound
  - Consider how to amplify sound to attendees while remaining within sound ordinance and minimizing disturbances to surrounding neighbors.
  - The Austin Center for Events will help you work through sound amplification and permitting when reviewing your sound impact plan.

## Outdoor Moving Events

Outdoor moving events are most commonly athletic races or parades.

### Ways to successfully plan outdoor moving events:

- Social Distancing
  - Discourage gatherings at the beginning and end of your moving event to ensure social distancing. Some possible solutions may include staggering starting locations or times. If food and beverages are being made available along the permitted route, clearly communicate the service layout through signage at each station and to all volunteers at each station to ensure social distancing.
- Sanitization
  - Plan all locations for facilities or restrooms along the route with plans for sanitization of regularly touched surfaces. Place prominent attendee signage along the route. List the number of toilets and locations per the new permitting standards.