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COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

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CURRENT INITIATIVES AND UPDATES

- **Celebrate Earth Week** - This week, the City of Manhattan Beach will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, Wednesday, April 22 all week long! Join us and you will be able to learn more about City initiatives and what you can do to make a difference to help create a more sustainable future. Follow the City on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and on www.citymb.info, where we will share videos, virtual events, activities, presentations, and more from our partners in the community.
 - Mark your calendars for Wednesday evening when all residents are invited to switch off all nonessential lights and appliances from 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM for #earthhourmb. Let's all go One Hour, No Power!
- **Please Pick Up After Your Pet** - The City has decided to temporarily suspend refilling the dog waste bags on Veterans Parkway during the length of the safer-at-home public health orders. Studies have indicated that COVID-19 may live a long time on metal. Therefore, to eliminate any unnecessary or potential exposure on the dispensers, the City will not be refilling the dispensers. That being said, as a reminder, it is the [pet owner's responsibility](#) to have in their possession, a bag, wrapper, or other container to dispose of their pet's waste in a sanitary manner. Various dog waste bag alternatives are available at any supermarket and the community is encouraged to buy those during this time.
- **City Council to Discuss Additional Measures to Address COVID-19** - The next City Council meeting takes place, Wednesday, April 22, at 8:00 AM. Additional measures for consideration include requiring face coverings in public. Meetings are broadcast live through Manhattan Beach Local Community Cable, Channel 8 (Spectrum), Channel 35 (Frontier), and live streaming via the City's website. In the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, the City Council encourages the public to participate by using one of the following options for public comments:
 - [eComment](#) Online, you can submit your eComments by 7:30 AM, the day of the meeting and have your comment available to City Council and the public;
 - Email your public comment to [City Clerk](#) by 7:30 AM, the day of the meeting and have your comment available to City Council and the public; or
 - Call (310) 802-5030 and leave a message by 7:30 AM, the day of the meeting.

FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY UPDATES

- **Antibody Tests Study Reveal Potential COVID-19 Exposure in LA County** - USC and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health today released preliminary results from a collaborative scientific study that suggests infections from COVID-19 are far more widespread - and the fatality rate much lower in LA County than previously thought. The press release states, “Based on results of the first round of testing, the research team estimates that approximately 4.1% of the county’s adult population has antibody to the virus. Adjusting this estimate for statistical margin of error implies about 2.8% to 5.6% of the county’s adult population has antibody to the virus- which translates to approximately 221,000 to 442,000 adults in the county who have had the infection.” For more information, view the [press release](#), [antibody testing Q & A](#), and [lacounty.gov](#).
- **New Small Business Grant Opens Today** - The Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce announced a new Small Business grant application from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation that went online today. The Foundation set up a new Save Small Business Fund to provide \$5,000 in short-term relief to businesses that have between three and 20 employees. For more information, go to [savesmallbusiness.com](#).
- **Same Day COVID-19 Tests Available** - [Same-day tests](#) and more drive-up mobile locations are available for all LA County residents who have symptoms of COVID-19. Insurance is not required, but appointments are. For more information, go to [covid19.lacounty.gov](#).
- **Relief Grant for Artists** - The Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) announced an emergency relief grant available to artists and ensembles whose shows or concerts that were within the City of Los Angeles have been canceled due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Apply by May 1 and visit [culturela.org](#) for more information.
- **Disaster Help Center** - The Los Angeles County [Department of Consumer and Business Affairs](#) has partnered with the [Department of Workforce, Development, Aging, and Community Services](#) and other County and State agencies to form the [LA County Disaster Help Center](#). The Center has resources ready to assist businesses, workers, non-profits, tenants/landlords and more impacted by the disaster of COVID-19 by calling (833) 238-4450 or visiting [LACountyHelpCenter.org](#).
- **COVID-19 LA County Daily Briefing Statistics** - The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health confirmed 17 new deaths and 1,491 new cases of COVID-19 in [today's daily briefing](#). It is important to note that, 1,191 of these cases are from a backlog of tests received from one lab, and 293 are daily reported cases. In LA County, the total number of deaths attributed to COVID-19 is doubling every seven days. Testing capacity continues to increase in LA County, with testing results available for over 80,500 individuals. As of today, 3,465 people who tested positive for COVID-19 (25% of positive cases) have been hospitalized at some point during their illness. Thus far, 13% of those tested were positive for COVID-19.

LATEST DETAILS ON PEOPLE WHO HAVE COVID-19

AREA	POSITIVE CONFIRMATIONS (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
United States ¹	746,625 (+25,995)	39,083 (+1,881)

¹ Source → <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>

AREA	POSITIVE CONFIRMATIONS (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
California ²	30,978 (+645) ³	1,208 (+42)
Los Angeles County ⁴	13,816 (+1,475)	617 (+17)
Manhattan Beach ⁵	59 (+1)	Unknown

CURRENT STATUS OF CITY FACILITIES, ACTIVITIES, AND PROGRAMS

SERVICE	STATUS	CHANGE
Emergency Operations Center	Level 1 ⁶	N/A
Police Emergency Response	Normal	N/A
Fire Emergency Response	Normal	N/A
Police Non-Emergency Response	Normal	N/A
Fire Non-Emergency Response	Normal	N/A
Water Services	Normal	N/A
Parking Enforcement	Normal (Street Sweeping Enforcement Suspended Temporarily)	N/A
Parks and Recreation Programming	Closed	See Virtual Parks and Recreation Programs
Trash/Recycling Services	Normal	N/A
Sewer Services	Normal	N/A
Street Sweeping	Temporarily Suspended	N/A
Retail Businesses	Varies (See citymb.info/COVIDstatus)	N/A
City Hall	Closed (Limited Service Operations)	N/A

² Source → <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>

³ Change # does not include backlog of 1,191 cases in LA County disclosed today.

⁴ Source → <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

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⁶ Any disaster/emergency that requires continued involvement of all City departments. The Emergency Operations Center is fully activated with 24-hour staffing responding with various divisions that include: operations, planning, logistics and finance.

SERVICE	STATUS	CHANGE
Construction Activity	Normal (Inspections Ongoing) (with Exposure Control Plans and Social Distancing Measures See Press Release 4/3/20)	N/A
Building Permits	Limited (Processing current permits but limited new permits)	N/A
Transportation (Beach Cities Transit)	Modified Services (See citymb.info/COVIDstatus)	N/A
Greenbelt (Veterans Parkway)	Open (with social distancing required)	N/A
Beaches/The Strand/Bike Path	Closed	N/A
Beach Parking Lots (El Porto, Pier and Bruce's Beach)	Closed (Permit Parking Only)	N/A
Meetings and Gatherings	Prohibited (See Ordinance)	N/A
Outdoor Exercises	Individually (with social distancing required and face coverings strongly encouraged)	N/A
City Community Centers (Joslyn Community Center, Manhattan Heights Park Community Center, Marine Avenue Park Community Center, Live Oak Park Community Center)	Closed	N/A
City Parks, Playgrounds, Basketball Courts, Tennis Courts, Fitness Areas, Sand Dune	Closed	N/A
Farmers Market	Closed	N/A
County Library	Closed	N/A
MBUSD Schools	Closed	4/15 Until Further Notice