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COVID-19 Situation Report

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CURRENT INITIATIVES AND UPDATES

- **Signs of Progress in Slowing the Spread of COVID-19** – Thank you Manhattan Beach for wearing your face coverings securely over both your nose and mouth, washing hands frequently, self-isolating if sick, practicing physical distancing, and staying home and limiting activities to what is essential – work, getting groceries, medicine, and medical visits. The L.A. County Department of Public Health sees signs of the spread of COVID-19 slowing in critical indicators, including daily hospitalizations and deaths. Daily hospitalizations numbers have decreased by 45% from the peak of over 2,200 in mid-July; there are 1,200 hospitalized in the County today. The decreasing number of daily hospitalizations is one of the best indicators as it is an accurate representation of how many people are seriously ill from the virus. The State is monitoring all counties on six signs to determine progress in slowing the spread of COVID-19. L.A. County is meeting five of the State's six indicators, only missing the mark on the threshold of having less than 100 cases per 100,000 residents. In the City of Manhattan Beach, the number of instances of COVID-19 for the past four weeks totals 55 new cases which is less than half the amount of new cases in the four weeks prior. Our community, our health, together we are making a difference!
- **Update on 2020 Manhattan Beach 10K Run** – With health and safety as the priority, the [10K Run](#) and [Hometown Fair](#) scheduled for October 2020 had been canceled due to COVID-19. However, the Manhattan Beach 10K Run is still taking place, a Special Edition version. [Online registration](#) for the Special Edition "Run Your Own Race" is now open. Participants have ten days to complete the 10k, spreading out the time to complete the race in whatever fashion suits you, from October 1 through October 10, 2020. Visit mbl0krun.com to sign up and get ready to lace up to run your race!

LATEST NUMBERS ON COVID-19

AREA	POSITIVE CONFIRMATIONS (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
United States ¹	5,715,567 (+33,076)	176,617 (+394)
California ²	673,095 (+4,480)	12,257 (+105)
Los Angeles County ³	233,777 (+989)	5,605 (+51)

¹ Source → August 24, 2020, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>

² Source → August 24, 2020, <https://update.covid19.ca.gov/>

³ Source → August 25, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

AREA	POSITIVE CONFIRMATIONS (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
Manhattan Beach ⁴	308 (+2)	4 (+0)

FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY UPDATES

- FDA and OSHA Partner for Food Safety and Employee Health** – The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) partnered to published a checklist for FDA-regulated human and animal food operations for employees' health and food safety during COVID-19. The [Employee Health and Food Safety Checklist for Human and Animal Food Operations During the Covid-19 Pandemic](#) includes considerations for employee health, screening, and operation configuration for social distancing to prevent or minimize the spread of COVID-19. Visit [fda.gov](https://www.fda.gov) for more information.
- Managing the Effects of Social Distancing in Older Adults During COVID-19** – Isolation and loneliness can be a devastating result of COVID-19. The Administration for Community Living (ACL) has tools to assist older adults and their family members during these challenging times. Visit [acl.gov](https://www.acl.gov) for resources on staying connected, such as [Engaging Virtually](#), [Activity Guide](#), [Managing the Effects of Social Distancing](#), and [How to Become Tech Savvy In 10 Days](#).
- Ask The Expert: In-Person, Virtual and Everything in Between** – Register to attend the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Ask the Expert Webinar: "In-Person, Virtual and Everything in Between – Supporting Families and Children Returning to School" on Thursday, August 27, at 1:00 PM. Returning to school looks different around the country. COVID-19 created issues for everyone. After the presentation, a moderated Q&A session will take place. Visit [nami.org](https://www.nami.org) for webinar details and to [register](#).
- Assistance With Childcare During COVID-19** – The [Families First Coronavirus Act](#) guarantees that parents and guardians of school-aged children who work full-time can take up to 12 weeks of job-protected leave at two-thirds of their regular pay, capped at \$200 a day, if local schools and daycares are closed or unavailable due to the pandemic. The rules generally apply to businesses with 50 to 500 employees. Talk to your employer to determine if you are covered by the Family First Law. The 12 weeks of leave include two weeks of unpaid leave, followed by ten weeks of paid leave. Part-time employees are eligible for emergency-leave for the number of hours usually scheduled over a work period. The emergency-leave program expires on December 31. Visit the U.S. Department of Labor at [dol.gov](https://www.dol.gov) for information and answers to [Frequently Asked Questions](#).
- Lost Wages Assistance Due to COVID-19** - [The Employment Development Department \(EDD\) announced the State was authorized participation in the Lost Wages Assistance \(LWA\) program.](#) LWA provides an initial amount of \$4.5 billion, with the possibility of additional funding in the future. The LWA supplemental payment of \$300 per week will be available for a limited time, for claimants who are currently eligible to receive at least \$100 per week in benefits and have provided a self-certification that they are unemployed or partially unemployed due to disruptions caused by COVID-19. The LWA supplement will be available for weeks of unemployment dating back to August 1. Visit edd.ca.gov for more information.

⁴ Source → August 25, 2020, http://dashboard.publichealth.lacounty.gov/covid19_surveillance_dashboard/

- L.A. County Daily Briefing Statistics on COVID-19** – L.A. County Department of Public Health (DPH) confirmed 51 new deaths and 989 new cases of COVID-19 in [today's daily report](#). This is the first time the number of reported new cases has been under 1,000 since the beginning of June. In mid to late July, the daily reported number of new cases was around 3,200 cases per day. It is too early to tell if the County's 14-day case rate will remain below 200, especially given cases reported on Monday and Tuesday are typically lower than other days of the week. DPH will continue to monitor the case rate reported by the State and is working to determine what additional adjustments may be needed before opening up the school waiver process. To date, DPH has identified 233,777 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County, and a total of 5,605 deaths; ninety-two percent of people who died had underlying health conditions. Currently, there are 1,200 confirmed cases presently hospitalized, and 32% are confirmed cases in the ICU. Testing results are available for more than 2,207,000 individuals, with 10% of all people testing positive. To view DPH's COVID-19 Daily Data, visit [lacounty.gov](#). To view statewide case statistics and demographics, including positive cases, deaths, and testing results, visit [covid-19.ca.gov](#).

CURRENT STATUS OF CITY FACILITIES, ACTIVITIES, AND PROGRAMS

SERVICE	STATUS	CHANGE
Emergency Operations Center	Level 1 ⁵	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	June 29 Enforcement Began for Street Sweeping
Parks and Recreation Programming	Modified Services See Virtual Parks and Recreation Programs	June 12 (with modifications)
Trash/Recycling Services	Normal	N/A
Sewer Services	Normal	N/A
Street Sweeping	Normal	June 15

⁵ 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
Businesses	Varies (See citymb.info/RecoverMB)	N/A
City Hall	Closed (Limited Service Operations)	N/A
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/	Open with Restrictions (Social distancing and face coverings required when around others)	N/A
The Strand	Open with Restrictions (Social distancing and face coverings required when around others)	N/A
Bike Path	Open	N/A
Beach Parking Lots (El Porto, Pier, and Bruce's Beach)	Open	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		

SERVICE	STATUS	CHANGE
(Joslyn Community Center, Manhattan Heights Park Community Center, Marine Avenue Park Community Center, Live Oak Park Community Center)	Closed	N/A
Open/Green Space at Parks	Open (with social distancing required)	N/A
Playgrounds, Basketball Courts, Tennis Courts, Fitness Areas, Sand Dune, Restrooms	Varies (See Parks and Facilities)	N/A
Farmers Market	Open Every Tuesday	N/A
County Library	Closed (Sidewalk Service)	N/A
MBUSD Schools	Closed	N/A