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COVID-19 Situation Report

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CURRENT INITIATIVES AND UPDATES

- **Latest City Council Actions in Response to COVID-19** – At the September 1, 2020, meeting, City Council directed the following additional actions in response to COVID-19:
 - Directed staff to revise the City's Emergency Order to extend outdoor dining in the public right-of-way from September 30, 2020, to January 15, 2021. City Council will reassess the Emergency Order allowing outdoor dining in the public right-of-way at a later date;
 - Directed staff to revise the City's Emergency Order to clarify the City's face covering requirement for singles tennis play, in accordance with the L.A. County [Department of Public Health Order Guidelines for Tennis and Pickleball Courts](#). Going forward, participants of singles tennis and pickleball can opt to not wear a face cover during gameplay;
 - Requested additional information on the eviction moratorium's expiration and how it compares to County, State, and Federal regulations;
 - Discussed the Merchant Permit Parking Program at the Civic Center and requested the COVID-19 Long Term Businesses Solutions Subcommittee analyze potential modifications; and
 - Directed staff to remove the barriers and open the freestanding picnic tables to the public at City parks following the Labor Day holiday.
- **Celebrate Labor Day at a Distance** – It is important to celebrate Labor Day without going to parties and barbecues hosted by non-household members. Let's continue our recovery journey and adhere to physical distancing and infection control requirements that reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19. As a reminder, being around people who aren't part of your household puts you and the ones you love at a greater risk for COVID-19.
- **Beach Responsibly During Labor Day Weekend** – If you are going to the beach this weekend, be sure to wear a face covering, avoid gatherings outside of your household, and bring a trash bag to take your trash with you when leaving the beach. [Coastal Clean-up Day 2020](#) is any day in September, so why not pick up trash along the way and back to the beach and record the data on the [CleanSwell app](#) or by [completing this form](#). All clean-ups in September will be included as part of Coastal Cleanup Month. Thank you for staying safe and keeping Manhattan Beach clean!

LATEST NUMBERS ON COVID-19

AREA	POSITIVE CONFIRMATIONS (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
United States ¹	6,087,403 (+39,711)	185,092 (+1,009)
California ²	717,177 (+5,125)	13,327 (+164)
Los Angeles County ³	244,999 (+1,193)	5,932 (+61)
Manhattan Beach ⁴	320 (+5)	5 (+0)

FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY UPDATES

- **Update on COVID-19 Testing** – Due to Labor Day, [testing sites operations will be modified](#) in observance of the holiday. All State-operated testing sites will be closed on Monday, September 7. All L.A. City-operated testing sites will be closed on Sunday, September 6, and Monday, September 7. Select L.A. County-operated testing will be closed on Monday, September 7. However, the L.A. County operated testing site at the [Beach Cities Health District](#) campus at 514 North Prospect Avenue in Redondo Beach will be open on Labor Day (appointments required). If you are interested in being tested for COVID-19, you are encouraged first to contact your Primary Care Provider or Healthcare Center about receiving a test at their facility. Visit [lacounty.gov/testing](#) for more information or call 2-1-1.
- **Heat Stress Prevention during COVID-19** – Heat stress is the total amount of heat your body encounters; heat stress can come from a variety of sources. [Clothing and personal protective equipment \(PPE\) may also trap heat](#), further increasing heat exposure. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) published information on [What Workers Need to Know about Heat Stress Prevention](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit [cdv.gov](#) for more details and how you can reduce your risk for heat-related illness during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Updated Health Officer Order Allows Schools to Offer Services for Students Most in Need of In-Person Learning** – Beginning Monday, September 14, schools K-12 may offer in-school services for small cohorts of students with Individualized Education Plans (IEP), students requiring instruction for English as a Second Language (ESL) or students needing assessments or specialized in-school services, as long as the school can fully implement the Health Officer's re-opening protocols. Once available, guidance and protocols for K-12 will be available on the Public Health website. Public Health will not be opening the waiver program for the instruction of students in grades TK-6 as the department monitors the implementation of this effort to safely get students needing specialized in-school services back to school. Visit [lacounty.gov](#) for more information.
- **Salons and Barbershops Can Re-Open at 25%** – Effective September 2, hair salons and barbershops can re-open at 25% occupancy for indoor services as long as infection control safeguards are in place and the business complies with the [County's Health Officer Order \(HOO\) Re-opening Protocols for Hair Salons and Barbershops](#), which require physical distancing and face coverings for both employees and customers. As permitted by the State, hair salons and

¹ Source → September 2, 2020, <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker>

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

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

⁴ Source → September 3, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/locations.htm>

barbershops are encouraged to maintain as many operations outdoors as possible. Visit lacounty.gov for more information.

- **Tenant and Landlord Protection Measures Due to COVID-19** – [Governor Newsom signed AB 3088 to protect tenants from eviction and property owners from foreclosure due to the economic impacts of COVID-19](#). Under the new law, no tenant can be evicted before February 1, 2021, as a result of rent owed due to a COVID-19 related hardship accrued between March 4 – August 31, 2020, if the tenant provides a declaration of hardship according to the legislation's timelines. For a COVID-19 related hardship that accrues between September 1, 2020 – January 31, 2021, tenants must also pay at least 25 percent of the rent due to avoid eviction after February 1, 2021, for the unpaid rent. For more information, visit ca.gov.
- **Did You Get Your Economic Impact Payment?** – Economic Impact Payments (EIPs), commonly referred to as "stimulus checks" or "recovery rebates," are a key provision of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) legislation that Congress passed to help reduce the financial burden of COVID-19 on individuals and their families. According to the [Center for Budget and Policies Priorities](#), over 12 million eligible residents are missing out on their EIPs. Eligible residents have until October 15 to enter the required information into the [IRS website](#) to receive the funding. If you haven't seen your money, use the [Get My Economic Impact Payment tool](#). Visit the irs.gov for more information.
- **Prepare for Disasters Webinar** – September is National Preparedness Month, and this year's theme is "Disasters Don't Wait. Make your Plan Today." Join the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), the Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety, and the Insurance Information Institute on Wednesday, September 16, at 11:00 AM for a live webinar on preparing for severe weather, future COVID-19 interruptions, and other disasters. To learn more and to [register](#) for the webinar, visit sba.gov.
- **Pandemic Recovery Funds Application Closes Friday September 4** – The L.A. Regional COVID-19 Recovery Funds application open to Los Angeles County micro-entrepreneurs, small businesses and non-profits will close September 4. Grants range from \$5000 to \$25,000. Visit lacovidfund.org for eligibility details and to apply.
- **L.A. County Daily Briefing Statistics on COVID-19** – The Department of Public Health (DPH) confirmed 61 new deaths, five new cases of COVID-19 in Manhattan Beach, and 1,193 new cases of COVID-19 in L.A. County in [today's daily report](#). DPH highlights the importance of worker protections and reporting workplace outbreaks. Supporting worksites experiencing outbreaks are a crucial part of slowing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting the health of communities. In July, the County experienced sharp increases in cases, hospitalizations, and deaths due to the re-opening of many sectors and holiday-related activities. DPH is relying on business operators, employers, and workers to report clusters of cases as soon as these are recognized. If a workplace has at least three reported or confirmed COVID-19 cases in the workplace within 14 days, employers are required to call Public Health immediately at (888) 397-3993. Calls. Reporting can be anonymous, prevent additional cases, protect the workplace, and keep people safe and healthy. It can also save people's lives. To date, DPH identified 244,999 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County, and a total of 5,932 deaths; ninety-two percent of people who died had underlying health conditions. Testing results are available for more than 2,332,000 individuals, with 10% of all people testing positive. There are 1,062 people with confirmed cases of COVID-19 currently hospitalized, and 30% of these people are documented cases in the ICU. 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
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

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
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 (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

SERVICE	STATUS	CHANGE
County Library	Closed (Sidewalk Service)	N/A
MBUSD Schools	Open with Distance Learning	Recently Opened