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COVID-19 Situation Report

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CURRENT INITIATIVES AND UPDATES

- **Where L.A. County Stands on the States Tier System** - As of October 20, 2020, [Los Angeles County remains in Tier One](#), with "widespread" risk and the [most restrictions](#). According to the State's website, L.A. County reflects 10.1 new COVID-19 cases per day (per 100k), with an adjusted case rate for tier assignment of 7.6. The positivity rate is 3.4%; the health equity metric is 5.9% ([Healthy Places Index quartile positivity rate](#)). Los Angeles County has met the State's positivity rate metric threshold for Tier Three with "moderate" risk but remains in Tier One because the tier assignment case rate is greater than 7. When the positivity rate and case rate fall into different tiers, the stricter tier prevails.
- **Manhattan Beach Fall Virtual Events** – The City of Manhattan Beach Parks and Recreation Department offers safe and virtual fall activities that follow [Public Health Guidance](#) for Celebrating Halloween. Go to the City's website for details to participate in the [Virtual Workshop: Remembering Gordy](#) on October 22 or the [Virtual Workshop: Canvas Painting of Jack Skellington](#) on October 29. Visit [Parks and Recreation](#) for information on other programs and events.
- **"Local Love for Manhattan Beach"** – In partnership with the Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce, the Manhattan Beach Downtown Business & Professional Association, Northend Business Improvement District, and the Manhattan Village Mall, the City is excited to launch "Local Love for Manhattan Beach," a campaign aimed to encourage residents to spend locally. By shopping, dining, and staying local, we can collectively help keep local businesses open and maintain City services. Local businesses provide employment opportunities, entertainment, and keeps revenue close to home, building our economy. To initiate the campaign, the City prepared the ["Local Love for Manhattan Beach" video](#).
- **Recent Press Release:**
 - [Manhattan Beach Launches Campaign to Support Local Businesses](#) (10/16/2020)

LATEST NUMBERS ON COVID-19

AREA	CONFIRMED CASES (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
United States ¹	8,188,585 (+60,061)	219,419 (+513)
California ²	874,077 (+3,286)	16,992 (+22)
Los Angeles County ³	290,099 (+713)	6,912 (+39)

¹ Source: October 19, 2020, <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker>

² Source: October 19, 2020, <https://update.covid19.ca.gov/>

³ Source: October 20, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

AREA	CONFIRMED CASES (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
Manhattan Beach ⁴	388 (+2)	5 (+0)

FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY UPDATES

- State's Draft Vaccination Plan and Scientific Safety Review Workgroup** - Governor Newsom named a Scientific Safety Review Workgroup to advise the State on COVID-19 vaccines. Several COVID-19 vaccine candidates are in clinical trials; acclaimed California physician-scientists will review the vaccine process for safety before distributing it in California. The Workgroup will also detail how safety, equity, and transparency will guide COVID-19 vaccine planning and distribution. The Scientific Safety Review Workgroup is a vital piece of the State of California Interim Draft [COVID-19 Vaccination Distribution Plan](#). The State submitted the Distribution Plan to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on October 16. The State plans to have a system to distribute and administer the vaccine once the supply becomes available. Visit [ca.gov](#) for more information.
- California's New COVID-19 Law: Assembly Bill (AB) 685** - The State Department of Public Health published [Employer Guidance on AB 685: Definitions](#) and [Employer Questions about AB 685](#), California's new COVID-19 law, including information on coronavirus [outbreak definition and reporting](#). [AB 685](#) is a new California law requiring employers to notify employees who may have been exposed to COVID-19 and report workplace outbreaks of COVID-19 to the local health department. Visit [cdph.ca.gov](#) for more information.
- Updates for Your Health During COVID-19** - While the best way to prevent illness is to avoid exposure to the virus that causes COVID-19, sometimes that is not always possible. Therefore, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) responds to the Coronavirus pandemic by providing helpful health information. Visit the [Your Health](#) webpage for details on COVID-19 [symptoms](#), [testing](#), [what to do if sick](#), and an [at-risk group](#). Find updated tips for managing your daily life, including [going out, running errands](#), and [coping with stress](#). CDC posted updated information on [Wearing Face Masks on Public Transportation Conveyances and Transportation Hubs](#), [Treatment Methods](#), and resources such as [COVID-19 Clinical Trials](#). Visit [cdc.gov](#) for more information and resources.
- Report Confirms Remdesivir Benefits for COVID-19**- The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Research Matters final report confirms remdesivir benefits for COVID-19. The antiviral remdesivir shortened recovery time for patients hospitalized with COVID-19 based on results from a completed trial. The findings show that remdesivir alone isn't a sufficient treatment for all patients but does provide some benefit. Researchers are now testing remdesivir in combination with antibodies and other medications. For more information, visit [nih.gov](#).
- Small Business Strong: Building a Path Toward Economic Recovery** - Entrepreneurs, innovators, and job creators face many challenges, as the way we live, play, and work is disrupted due to COVID-19. The Small Business Strong series focuses on practical tips and techniques to survive the current economic crisis that small businesses face. Expert consultants will walk you through the process of how to start applying them toward your business. Join Los Angeles County Consumer & Business Affairs partners this Friday, October 23, at 10:00 AM for some great workshops to help your business. Register at [bit.ly/smbizstrong](#).

⁴ Source: October 20, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/locations.htm>

- **Resources for Older Adults During the COVID-19 Pandemic** – The Administration for Community Living (ACL) National Center on Law and Elder Rights offers various coronavirus-related resources for older adults. The Social Security Administration (SSA) [Evolving Policies and Procedures at SSA During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) webcast provides an overview of SSA's policies, procedures, and many changes to its services it has made in response to the pandemic. Changes have evolved as the pandemic drags on; the SSA's offices generally are closed to in-person contact with the public. The webcast offers suggestions on how older adults can interact with SSA during this unusual time. Other resources include a practice tip on [Stimulus Payments and Representative Payees: What You Need to Know](#), [Balancing Empowerment and Protection when addressing capacity issues](#), and [Legal Basics: Supplemental Security Income](#). Visit [acl.gov](#) for more information.
- **How Secondary Disasters May Affect Children During COVID-19** - The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE), in collaboration with ASPR's Pediatric Centers of Excellence are collaborating on a webinar series focused on how the COVID-19 pandemic may affect children. The next webinar titled, The Effects of Secondary Disasters on Children takes place Friday, October 23 at 10:00 AM. It will focus on how secondary disasters may affect children during the COVID-19 pandemic. Panelists will discuss sheltering in place versus mass sheltering; family preparedness considerations; wildland fire preparedness and response; the potential impact associated with the 2020-2021 influenza season; planning for pediatric surge; multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C): epidemiology, clinical features, laboratory findings and outpatient approach; and pharmacy and supply chain considerations. Visit [phe.gov](#) to register and information on the next webinar.
- **L.A. County Daily Briefing Statistics on COVID-19** – DPH confirmed 39 new deaths, two new cases of COVID-19 in Manhattan Beach, and 713 new cases of COVID-19 in L.A. County in [today's daily report](#). To date, DPH has identified 290,009 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County, and a total of 6,912 deaths. Testing results are available for more than 2,913,000 individuals, with 9% of all people testing positive. There are currently 730 confirmed cases presently hospitalized, and 30% of these people are currently 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

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.

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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
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	N/A

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	coverings required when around others)	
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
County Library	Closed (Sidewalk Service)	N/A
MBUSD Schools	Open with Distance Learning	Recently Opened