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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 November 4, 2020, meeting, City Council took an additional measure to address COVID-19 impacts that consisted of directing staff to revise the City's Emergency Order that extends outdoor dining in the public right-of-way from the current date of January 15, 2021, to a future date that aligns with the County's Public Health Order to no sooner than the first Order that allows indoor dining.
- **Where L.A. County Stands on the States Tier System** - As of November 4, 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 12.5 new COVID-19 cases per day (per 100K), with an adjusted case rate for tier assignment equaling 7.5. The County's overall test positivity rate is 4.0%, which meets the threshold for Tier 3; the [health equity metric](#) increased from 6.2% to 6.8% which still meets the threshold for Tier 2. When the case rates and positivity rates fall into different tiers, the stricter tier prevails.
- **Manhattan Beach Honors Veterans Virtually on November 11th** – The City thanks our Veterans for their service and will hold a virtual celebration in their honor. On Wednesday, November 11 at 11 AM, the City will commemorate veterans during the 23rd Annual Veterans Day Ceremony through a pre-recorded ceremony. The pre-recorded broadcast can be viewed on local community cable, Channel 8 (Spectrum), Channel 35 (Frontier), streamed via the City's [MBtv webcast](#), and available to view on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#). For more information, visit citymb.info.
- **Celebrate Veteran's Day at a Distance and Stay Local** – As Veteran's Day nears, be sure your plans follow the [private gathering guidelines](#) which permit families to gather outdoors with up to three other households for up to two hours, as long as everyone is wearing a [face covering](#) and [distancing from each other](#). Remember "[Local Love for Manhattan Beach](#)," shop, dine, and stay local to help keep our local businesses open!

LATEST NUMBERS ON COVID-19

AREA	CONFIRMED CASES (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
United States ¹	9,463,782 (+106,537)	233,129 (+1,141)
California ²	944,576 (+4,566)	17,815 (+63)
Los Angeles County ³	315,564 (+2,065)	7,140 (+25)

¹ Source: November 4, 2020, <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker>

² Source: November 4, 2020, <https://update.covid19.ca.gov/>

³ Source: November 5, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

AREA	CONFIRMED CASES (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
Manhattan Beach ⁴	433 (+3)	5 (+0)

COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE	MANHATTAN BEACH		LOS ANGELES	
	NEW CASES	NEW DEATHS	NEW CASES	NEW DEATHS
October 26 - November 1	17	0	9,430	81
October 19 - October 25	23	0	11,309	117
October 12 - October 18	7	0	6,316	101
October 5 - October 11	6	0	7,570	124

View daily cases in an infographic via the [Manhattan Beach COVID-19 Dashboard](#).

L.A. COUNTY DATA AND TIER ASSIGNMENT OVER TIME ⁵					
REPORTING DATE	COUNTY RISK LEVEL	CASES PER 100K	ADJUSTED CASE RATE	POSITIVITY RATE	HEALTH EQUITY METRIC
Current	Widespread	12.5	7.5	4.0%	6.8%
10/27	Widespread	11.0	8.0	3.7%	6.2%
10/20	Widespread	10.1	7.6	3.4%	5.9%
10/13	Widespread	9.0	7.6	3.7%	6.0%

FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY UPDATES

- Mask Considerations for People with Disabilities** - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), National Preparedness Division is hosting a webinar on COVID-19 face mask guidance and specific considerations for people with disabilities. The webinar takes place Tuesday, November 10 at 11:30 AM. There are many masks to choose from and Duke University has recently developed a low-cost technique for the measurement of face mask efficacy for filtering droplets emitted during speech. This webinar will describe the set-up of this technique, preliminary results from a range of commonly available face mask types, and the potential of this technology as a demonstration and testing method for the community. Attend the webinar to learn when to wear a face mask, reasons why a person with a disability might not be able to wear a face mask, and the legal rights a person has under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). [Advanced registration is required.](#)
- COVID-19 Vaccination Benefits and FAQs**- In the United States, there is not yet an authorized or approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The federal government has been working since the pandemic started to make one or more COVID-19 vaccines available as soon as possible. Although the CDC does not have a role in developing COVID-19 vaccines, the CDC has been working closely with health departments and partners to develop vaccination plans for when a vaccine is available. The CDC has updated its [frequently asked questions and answers about](#)

⁴ Source: November 5, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/locations.htm>

⁵ Source: November 4, 2020, <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>

All data and tier assignments are normally updated weekly every Tuesday, however, due to the November 3 General Election, the update was postponed to November 4.

[COVID-19 vaccines](#) and [benefits of getting a COVID-19 vaccine](#) page. Visit [cdc.gov](#) for [vaccine information for you and your family](#).

- **College Students May Still Qualify for a Stimulus Check-** [The Internal Revenue Service \(IRS\) urges any eligible self-supporting college student who does not need to file a tax return to register by November 21 to receive an Economic Impact Payment](#) before the end of the year. Since the [Non-Filers tool](#) launched in the spring, over 8 million people have used it to register for a payment. Anyone missing the November 21 cutoff, will need to wait until next year and claim a Recovery Rebate Credit when filing their 2020 federal income tax return. To register for a payment and more information, visit [irs.gov](#).
- **Centering the Vulnerable During Crises and Emergencies** - The Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities National Training Center (MHDD-NTC), funded by the Administration for Community Living (ACL) is hosting a webinar titled Centering Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities During Crises and Emergencies. 2020 has been an active year for crises and emergencies. From the COVID-29 pandemic to the wildfires on the west coast to multiple hurricanes on the east coast, people with disabilities are among the most impacted. Join MHDD-NTC for a webinar specifically focusing on individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities during disasters/emergencies, and caring for their mental health and well-being. [Register in advance](#). Learn more at [mhddcenter.org](#).
- **Actions of Recovery During COVID-19** – [The Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development \(GO-Biz\) announced \\$80 million in tax credits that are projected to create 6,535 new, full-time jobs in California](#). The funding, from the California Competes Tax Credit, will bring more than \$400 million in new investments across the state. As the state recovers from the effects of the pandemic, the California Competes Tax Credit helps spur innovation and growth to create jobs to bolster the state’s economy. Visit [business.ca.gov](#) for more information.
- **Keeping Americas’ Workers and Employers Safe During COVID-19** – The U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) provides information for workers and employers on the evolving coronavirus pandemic. The latest updates to its website include [COVID-19 Guidance on Ventilation in the Workplace Visit](#) and [Respiratory Protection Guidance for the Employers of Those Working in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living, and Other Long-Term Care Facilities During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#). Other guidance documents OSHA highlights include, [Returning to Work](#), [Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19](#), and [Workers in Shared Housing](#) which addresses additional considerations for workers who reside in communal living arrangements. Visit [osha.gov](#) for more information.
- **National Service Repays Student Loans** – During the COVID-19 pandemic, 9.4K AmeriCorps members and volunteers engaged in emergency response, 100K members and volunteers conducted wellness checks, and over 14.5 million members and volunteers collected and distributed assistance to the food insecure. Have you considered service with AmeriCorps? Are you a young adult taking a gap year? Member benefits include student loan deferment, skills and training, living allowance, and limited health benefits. After successfully completing an approved term of service, an education award can help pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or repay student loans. Career opportunities with leading employers from the private, public, and nonprofit sectors may also be available to you. If interested, attend the webinar titled AmeriCorps NCCC: Application and Selection on November 10 at 1:00 PM. This is an opportunity to hear an in-depth discussion of the application process ahead of the

November 30 application deadline. [Advance registration is required](#). Visit nationalservice.gov for more information.

- **Projections in Healthcare / Predictive Modeling** – Los Angeles County [Department of Health Services](#) (DHS) released the [COVID-19 Projections of Hospital-based Health Care Demand November 4 Update](#). Key findings include:
 - The number of new patients with COVID-19 requiring hospitalization each day across Los Angeles County appears to be essentially unchanged from last week;
 - The estimated transmission number (“R”) is 1.02 with an uncertainty of 0.95 to 1.07. Last week the estimate was 0.95 with an uncertainty of 0.84 to 1.05. If R is above 1 the number of cases will increase over time;
 - Based on the current estimate for R, it is likely that the number of cases will go up slowly. The current number of hospital beds, ICU beds, and ventilators in Los Angeles County are likely adequate over the next four weeks;
 - The model suggests about 1 in 670 Los Angeles County residents are currently infectious to others and that about 1 in 6 have had COVID-19;
 - The model suggests that about 0.15% (uncertainty of 0.09% to 0.22%) of everyone in Los Angeles County is currently infected and infectious to others;
 - This suggests about 1 in 670 (between 1 in 1100 and 1 in 450) Los Angeles County residents are currently infectious to others. Last week this estimate was 1 in 1000; and
 - The transmission of COVID-19 in Los Angeles County is changing over time. With different patterns in different geographic areas, more detailed geographical analysis is required to identify specific communities needing additional support in identifying cases and limiting spread.
- **L.A. County Daily Briefing Statistics on COVID-19** – L.A. County Department of Public Health (DPH) confirmed 25 new deaths, three new cases of COVID-19 in Manhattan Beach, and 2,065 new cases of COVID-19 in L.A. County in [today's daily report](#). Today's number of new cases surpasses yesterday's (1,843) and is the highest number of new cases not associated with backlog cases reported since late-August. As COVID-19 spread continues increasing in Los Angeles County, the number of COVID-19 workplace outbreaks has also increased. During the two-week period of September 6 through September 19, there were 23 outbreaks in non-healthcare and non-residential workplaces, the lowest number of [worksite outbreaks](#) since June. During the two-week period from October 4 through October 17, the number of worksite outbreaks increased to 40. DPH is carefully tracking outbreaks at worksites and continues to assist sectors with the required business protocol compliance and safety measures. During an outbreak, health inspectors assess the worksite and provide guidance to control the outbreak. At times, this may include requiring a business to close until required measures are in place to prevent the virus from spreading. [Worker protections and safe workplaces](#) are a crucial part of slowing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting the health of our communities. Workers and employers [can anonymously report](#) to DPH clusters of COVID-19 cases at worksites as well as violations of [Health Officer Orders and Protocols](#) in the workplace. Call the Environmental Health Customer Call Center at (888) 700-9995, Monday to Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, excluding holidays. A complaint system to report violations is also available online at publichealth.lacounty.gov. To date, DPH has identified 315,564 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County, and a total of 7,140 deaths. Testing results are available for more than 3,200,000 individuals, with 9% of all people testing positive. There are currently 825 confirmed

cases presently hospitalized, and 29% 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 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	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

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
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 (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

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