



CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH

1400 Highland Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

BRUCE MOE, CITY MANAGER

www.citymb.info • bmoe@citymb.info • (310) 802-5000

COVID-19 Situation Report

NOVEMBER 24, 2020

CURRENT INITIATIVES AND UPDATES

- Where L.A. County Stands on the States Tier System - As of November 24, 2020, [Los Angeles County remains in Tier One](#) (Purple), with "widespread" risk and the [most restrictions](#). According to the State's website, L.A. County reflects 31.9, an increase from 20.6 new COVID-19 cases per day (per 100K), with an adjusted case rate for tier assignment equaling 16.0. The County's overall test positivity rate increased from 5.3% to 6.6%.
- Celebrate Thanksgiving Safely – The City of Manhattan Beach wishes everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving. As you gather for the holiday, residents are encouraged to reduce risk and plan smaller, shorter, and safer celebrations:
 - Wear a [face covering](#) in public settings, at events and gatherings, shopping and in stores, and anywhere you will be around people who do not live with you.
 - Wear a [face covering](#) not only people you do not know but also with anyone you do not live with, including close friends and family.
 - Keep your [distance](#) – especially from older family members and those with chronic health conditions.
 - When indoors, [keep windows and doors open](#) so fresh air circulates and wear a face covering.
 - Use all the space you can indoors; spread things out.
 - Do not share utensils or drinks with anyone.
 - Commit to [keeping gatherings short](#), whether inside or outside. Shorter is safer.
 - People at higher risk of severe illness or death from COVID-19 (such as older adults and people with chronic medical conditions) are strongly urged not to attend any gatherings, especially indoor gatherings. If you gather with older people or those with chronic conditions, make sure they wear a surgical or N95 mask.
 - It is [safest to celebrate the holidays with the people who already live with you](#), but if you invite others, only invite a maximum of two other households to your gathering.
 - [Wash your hands often](#) with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or use hand sanitizer. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
 - [Stay home if you are sick](#).
- Recent Press Release
 - [County to Implement Stronger Safeguards and Restrictions to Curb COVID-19 Spread](#) (11/18/2020)

LATEST NUMBERS ON COVID-19

AREA	CONFIRMED CASES (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
United States ¹	12,333,452 (+157,531)	257,016 (+1,058)
California ²	1,125,699 (+15,329)	18,769 (+43)
Los Angeles County ³	374,134 (+3,692)	7,497 (+51)
Manhattan Beach ⁴	497 (+1)	5 (+0)

COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE	MANHATTAN BEACH		LOS ANGELES	
	NEW CASES	NEW DEATHS	NEW CASES	NEW DEATHS
November 16 – November 22	28	0	25,583	174
November 9 – November 15	20	0	17,353	97
November 2 – November 8	15	0	13,017	98
October 26 – November 1	17	0	9,430	81

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	31.9	16.0	6.6%	N/A
11/16	Widespread	20.6	13.7	5.3%	6.5%
11/10	Widespread	11.5	7.6	3.8%	6.5%
11/4	Widespread	12.5	7.5	4.0%	6.8%

FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY UPDATES

- Actions in Response to COVID-19:
 - Governor Newsom released "[Recovery for All: the final report](#)" by the [Task Force on Business and Jobs Recovery](#). The report outlines key priorities and challenges in the State's fight against COVID-19 and ongoing work to rebuild a more equitable, sustainable, and resilient economy in its wake. With cases on the rise globally, nationally, and in California, the report reaffirms the importance of the State's health-first approach as the foundation for a safe and sustainable re-opening.
 - Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of \$25 million in the [California Rebuilding Fund](#) to support small businesses rebuild from the economic crisis and keep local economies strong. This program is built to be a resource in the market for the next year as businesses pivot and recover. The Fund was developed as a result of

¹ Source: November 23, 2020, <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker>

² Source: November 23, 2020, <https://update.covid19.ca.gov/>

³ Source: November 24, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

⁴ Source: November 24, 2020, <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/locations.htm>

⁵ Source: November 24, 2020, <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>

recommendations from the Governor's Task Force on Business and Jobs Recovery, which emphasized the need to ensure that this economic recovery is equitable.

- **California Rebuilding Fund Loan Application Open to Small Businesses** – As a result of the program launch by the Governor's Task Force, small business owners can apply for a loan at CALoanFund.org, which will collect standard information about your business and match you with a community lender. Free advisory support alongside a network of business support organizations organized by the California Association of Micro Enterprise Opportunity (CAMEO), Small Business Majority, California's Small Business Development Centers, and Women's Business Centers is also provided. The program is not associated with the federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) or any other Small Business Administration program. Learn more at CALoanFund.org.
- **Community Committee to Ensure Equitable Vaccine Distribution** – The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) announced the Community Vaccine Advisory Committee members. The Committee will provide input and feedback for the ongoing planning and engagement efforts to ensure equitable vaccine distribution and allocation. Vaccine supplies will be limited in the beginning and will be distributed to those at the highest risk. The Committee is comprised of broad representation from organizations throughout California. Visit cdph.ca.gov for the list of organizations and more information.
- **COVID-19 Impact on Childcare: Employers, Providers, and Working Parents** – The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation is hosting a webinar titled COVID-19 Impact on Childcare: Employers, Providers, and Working Parents on Wednesday, December 9 at noon. Childcare challenges, already persistent and complex, have now been further complicated by the COVID-19 public health crisis. Parents are trying to balance childcare and work. Childcare providers are trying to stay open or re-open with an unsustainable new business model. Employers are trying to determine how and when their working parents can return to work. For more information and to register, visit uschamberfoundation.org.
- **Guidance Update for Multifamily Residences** – L.A. County Department of Public Health (DPH) has updated its [Guidance for Multifamily Residences](#). As COVID-19 continues to spread in Los Angeles County, apartment managers, and management companies need to consider their communities' impact and address employee and resident concerns of potential exposure at their place of work and home. The guidance provides general considerations and may need to be tailored for individual apartments and multifamily residential structures. Everyone's help is needed in slowing the spread of COVID-19 in multifamily residences with fitness areas and follow protocols for community [gyms](#), [tennis courts](#), and [swimming pools](#). Visit publichealth.lacounty.gov for more information.
- **Keeping Elderly Congregate Living Facilities Safe** – DPH has updated its Frequently Asked Questions for [Elderly Congregate Living Visitors](#) and [Elderly Congregate Living Residents](#). Visits from family and friends are important to the wellbeing of older adults living in congregate facilities. However, because visitors can introduce COVID-19 into facilities, alternative visitation methods are suggested, such as telephone or videoconferencing. The update includes resources for coping with stress through links to [L.A. County Department of Mental Health's COVID-19 webpage](#), the [211LA webpage to address mental health and wellbeing needs and concerns](#), and the [CDC's Coping with Stress webpage](#).
- **Traveler Form for Non-Essential Travel** – To help stop the spread of COVID-19, Los Angeles requires all travelers entering the city from another state or country to complete the online

[Traveler Form](#), acknowledging they have read and understood [California's Travel Advisory](#). Travelers should practice self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival. These persons should limit their interactions to their immediate household. This recommendation does not apply to individuals who cross state or country borders for essential travel. Travelers over the age of 16 must submit this form online before or upon arrival at Los Angeles International Airport, Van Nuys Airport, or Union Station. Failure to submit the form is punishable by a fine of up to \$500. Visit travel.lacity.org for more information.

- **Learn the Basics of Small Claims** – L.A. County Consumer and Business Affairs will host a Making Small Claims Easy webinar on Wednesday, November 25, at noon. Learn the basics of Small Claims: filing the case, naming the parties, serving court papers, preparing for trial, collecting the money you win, and COVID-19 updates to procedures. The webinar provides information for both Plaintiffs and Defendants. [Advance registration required](#). Visit dcba.lacounty.gov for more details.
- **L.A. County Daily Briefing Statistics on COVID-19** – L.A. County Department of Public Health (DPH) confirmed 51 new deaths, one new case of COVID-19 in Manhattan Beach, and 3,692 new cases of COVID-19 in L.A. County in [Today's Daily Report](#). This is the highest number of deaths reported since September 9. COVID-19 hospitalizations continue to accelerate at an alarming speed. There are 1,575 people with COVID-19 currently hospitalized, and 26% of these people are in the ICU. Just two weeks ago, there were 888 people with COVID-19 hospitalized. The increases in cases and hospitalizations must slow to avoid overwhelming our hospitals and healthcare staff and save lives. Anytime a person removes their mask and interacts in close distance with others not in their household, even outdoors, they risk either infecting another person with COVID-19 or becoming infected themselves. The longer that interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread. Everyone must follow the simple public health safety measures that provide protection from COVID-19 and minimize spreading it to friends and family. DPH advises everyone to stay home as much as possible and limit going out to what is essential for the next two to three weeks to slow the surging cases and save lives. Staying home as much as possible, always wearing a face covering securely over your nose and mouth when out, and avoiding being near anyone not in your household are the simple actions that slow the spread of COVID-19. To date, DPH has identified 374,134 positive cases of COVID-19 across all L.A. County areas and a total of 7,497 deaths. Testing results are available for more than 3,600,000 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 ⁶	N/A
Police Emergency Response	Normal	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
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
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

SERVICE	STATUS	CHANGE
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
County Library	Closed (Sidewalk Service)	N/A
MBUSD Schools	Open with Distance Learning (See COVID-19 Dashboard)	Recently Opened