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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 January 19, 2021 meeting, City Council took an additional measure to address COVID-19 impacts in the community by directing staff to place additional signage regarding the City's face covering requirement.
- Vaccination Update Register for MyTurn.CA.gov The California Department of Public Health recently advised vaccination providers to immediately resume the administration Moderna COVID-19 lot 41L20A vaccine, which was temporarily paused because of possible allergic reactions in San Diego County. The Western States Scientific Safety Review Workgroup and other allergy and immunology specialists convened to examine the evidence and found no scientific basis to continue the pause. More than 18,000 Moderna doses are now available for use throughout Los Angeles County. Nonetheless, the vaccine supply is still extremely limited. The Department of Public Health (DPH) urges residents' patience as they work with federal and state partners to increase vaccine supply. As a reminder, only healthcare workers in Phase 1A or residents aged 65 and older are eligible to get their vaccination at this time. With limited COVID-19 vaccine supply, vaccination appointments are near or at capacity at L.A. County vaccination sites. Those who are currently eligible are encouraged to check back often as there may be cancelations. Residents who do not have access to the internet may contact the Vaccination Call Center at (833) 540-0473 to schedule an appointment. Call Center hours are 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM, seven days a week. Individuals are encouraged to go to VaccinateLACounty.com whenever possible to sign up for an appointment to avoid long wait times on the phone. To find out when it's your turn to get vaccinated, residents can visit MyTurn.ca.gov. If it isn't your turn yet, you can register to be notified when you become eligible.
- Veterans' Vaccine Access Veteran Affairs (VA) is working closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other federal partners to provide COVID-19 vaccines. At this time, VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (VAGLAHS) has a limited supply of the Pfizer vaccine given in two doses, 17 to 21 days apart. Veterans aged 65 and older and others identified on the VA COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet have prioritization. Visit losangeles.va.gov for details on scheduling the vaccine.

LATEST NUMBERS ON COVID-19

AREA	CONFIRMED CASES (CHANGE)	DEATHS (CHANGE)
United States ¹	24,323,846 (+188,156)	404,689 (+4,383)
California ²	3,039,044 (+19,673)	35,004 (+571)
Los Angeles County ³	1,046,021 (+8,512)	14,641 (+262)

Source: January 20, 2021, https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker

² Source: January 20, 2021, https://update.covid19.ca.gov/

³ Source: January 21, 2021, http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/

AREA	CONFIRMED CASES	DEATHS
	(Change)	(CHANGE)
Manhattan Beach ⁴	1,022 (+5)	9 (0)

COVID-19	Manhattan Beach		Los Angeles	
WEEKLY UPDATE	New Cases	New Deaths	New Cases	New Deaths
January 11 - January 17	63	2	94,485	1,598
January 4 – January 10	101	2	101,538	1,477
December 28 – January 3	89	0	98,806	1,291
December 20 – December 27	55	0	96,163	607
December 14 – December 20	60	0	98,184	577
December 7 – December 13	45	0	75,635	389
November 30 – December 6	59	0	54,008	270
November 23 – November 29	33	0	31,323	201
November 16 – November 22	28	0	25,583	174
November 9 – November 15	20	0	17,353	97

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	150.7	75.3	17.1%	22.4%
1/12	Widespread	127.3	77.0	20.5%	26.3%
1/5	Widespread	107.9	65.8	17.8%	25.0%
12/29	Widespread	132.7	66.4	16.5%	23.4%
12/22	Widespread	106.0	53.0	14.3%	20.3%
12/15	Widespread	84.4	42.2	11.4%	17%
12/8	Widespread	41.8	26.9	8.7%	13.9%
12/1	Widespread	40.3	20.2	7.0%	N/A
11/28	Widespread	38.7	19.4	6.8%	N/A

The State updated tier assignments on January 19, 2021, under its <u>Blueprint for a Safer Economy</u> – the criteria used to loosen and tighten regulations on activities. <u>Los Angeles County remains in Tier One</u> (Purple), with "widespread" risk and the <u>most restrictions</u>. According to the State's website, L.A. County reflects 150.7 new COVID-19 cases per day (per 100K), with an adjusted case rate for tier assignment equaling 75.3. The County's overall test positivity rate is 17.1%. The <u>health equity metric</u> is 22.4%. The Southern California Region ICU availability remains at 0.0%; the ICU projection does not meet the criteria to exit the <u>Regional Stay at Home Order</u>. The Order will remain in effect as long as ICU capacity is below the threshold of 15%.

⁴ Source: January 21, 2021, http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/locations.htm

⁵ Source: January 19, 2021, <u>Blueprint for a Safer Economy - Coronavirus COVID-19 Response (ca.gov)</u>

LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOSPITALIZATIONS		ICU AVAILABILITY IN REGION	
Ever	CURRENT	% IN ICU	Southern California ⁶
52,130	7,263	23%	0.0%

View Hospitalization Data and Case Information by City in the Beach Cities via <u>Beach Cities Health</u> <u>District COVID-19 by the Numbers</u>.

SOUTH REGION HOSPITALIZATION AVAILABILITY ⁷		
JANUARY 3 TO JANUARY 9, 2021		
AVAILABLE STAFFED	AVAILABLE STAFFED	
Non-ICU Hospital Beds ICU Hospital Beds		
60 OF 2,185 (2.7%)	8 OF 479 (1.7%)	

FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY UPDATES

- State Assistance Supports the Surge Through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES), the State of California announced the deployment of an additional 290 medical personnel to healthcare facilities statewide. In total, more than 3,200 medical personnel have been deployed to assist in the COVID-19 response efforts. The State also opened several alternate care sites in an effort to decompress local hospital systems. These deployments and care sites are part of an ongoing effort by the State to relieve stress on the medical care system during the current surge in cases and hospitalizations. Visit oesnews.com for details.
- COVID-19 Regulations & Best Practices It is essential for business owners, managers, and supervisors to understand precisely their responsibilities concerning worker health and safety during this current pandemic. New COVID-19 regulations became effective November 30, 2020, to ensure worker health and safety during the pandemic. The Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Regulations and Best Practices webinar covers employer responsibilities under the new regulations. The new rules require employers to establish, implement and maintain an effective COVID-19 Prevention Program (CPP). The webinar occurs Thursday, January 28, at 8:00 AM; advanced registration required. Cal/OSHA webinars are open to the public and free to attend. Other COVID-19 webinars available are listed in the webinar announcement. Visit dir.ca.gov for details.
- Legislation & Funding for the Creative Industries Join panelists and moderator Julie Baker, E.D. of California for the Arts (CFTA), to discuss current federal, regional, and state funding and legislative opportunities for artists, cultural workers, and the creative industries. From Save our Stages to Paycheck Protection Program(PPP), Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) for 1099 and mixed-income earners, state programs, and artist relief grants, learn what opportunities are available to the creative sector. The What to Expect in 2021- Legislation and Funding for the Creative Industries webinar occurs Monday, January 25 at 3:00 PM. Advance registration required. Visit CaliforniaForTheArts.org for details.

⁶ Source: January 21, 2021, <u>Blueprint for a Safer Economy - Coronavirus COVID-19 Response (ca.gov)</u> Southern California Region ICU Availability

⁷ Source: January 19, 2021, https://www.bchd.org/covidnumbers Hospital Bed Availability comes from the Weekly Hospital COVID Assessment Report from LA County Department of Health Services. Bed Availability is derived from number of currently available staffed beds, understanding that hospital capacity is not static and can shift in response to surge capacity. The South Region includes 13 hospitals: Catalina Island Medical Center; Centinela Hospital Medical Center; College Medical Center; Dignity Health, St. Mary Medical Center; Kaiser Foundation Hospital, South Bay; Los Angeles County, Harbor, UCLA Medical Center; Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital; Memorial Hospital of Gardena; MemorialCare Long Beach Medical Center; Providence Little Company of Mary, Torrance; Providence Little Company of Mary, San Pedro; St. Francis Medical Center; and Torrance Memorial Medical Center. For more information, visit the reports section of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services EMS Agency website.

- 2021 CAC Grant Opportunity for Individual Artist Fellowships The California Arts Council (CAC) has announced a new fellowship program intended to recognize, uplift, and celebrate California artists as part of its 2021 grant opportunities. The Individual Artist Fellowships will support artists from a broad spectrum of artistic practices, backgrounds, geographies, and communities, whose work addresses themes such as race, diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility. In doing so, the CAC will showcase artists' centrality in generating social impact and the evolution of our traditional and contemporary cultures. Visit arts.ca.gov for this application and other creative grant opportunities. The Individual Artist Fellowships application is due April 1, 2021.
- Reorganizing Your Business During Times of Crisis Kick-off 2021 by learning about the top legal issues for small businesses in the age of COVID-19. Los Angeles County Department of Consumer & Business Affairs (DCBA) brings together top lawyers to present webinars on relevant areas for the small business community impacted by COVID-19. Join DCBA on Friday, January 22 at 11:00 AM for Reorganizing Your Business During Times of Crisis. Hear about the legal frameworks to protect and pivot your business. <u>Advance registration required</u>. Visit dcba.lacounty.gov for details on upcoming webinars.
- NIH Director's Podcast on Pandemic in the United States Listen to a podcast of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Director, Dr. Francis Collins, on the pandemic in the United States. Dr. Collins was a guest on National Public Radio (NPR) and discussed the ongoing pandemic, the variants, delays in the mass vaccination campaign, and the political transition. Visit <u>nih.gov</u> for the link to the <u>podcast</u> and transcript.
- Projections in Healthcare / Predictive Modeling Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (DHS) released the COVID-19 Projections of Hospital-based Health Care Demand January 20 Update. The underlying statistical prediction model is unchanged from last week. Hospitalization data is new to the report. The report states hospitalized COVID patients are increasingly ill.
 - o Between September 4 and November 3, each COVID patient admitted to the hospital:
 - Required an average of 6.93 days in the hospital
 - Required an average of 2.09 days in the intensive care unit (ICU)
 - Required an average of 1.16 days on mechanical ventilation
 - Had approximately a 12% chance of dying (about 1 in 8)
 - o From November 3 to the present, each COVID patient admitted to the hospital:
 - Requires an average of 9.49 days in the hospital
 - Requires an average of 2.38 days in the ICU
 - Requires an average of 1.89 days on mechanical ventilation
 - Has approximately a 23% chance of dying (about 1 in 4)
 - These changes, despite improvements in treatments, suggest a substantial increase in the severity of illness among hospitalized patients

Key findings in the report include:

- The number of new patients with COVID-19 requiring hospitalization each day across Los Angeles County, although extremely high, has appeared to have leveled off and begin to decrease. The illness severity in hospitalized patients has been very high, with increased needs for intensive care, mechanical ventilation, and higher mortality.
- Based on hospitalization information that reflects transmission up to the first week in January, the estimated transmission number ("R") at that time was 0.94 with an

- uncertainty of 0.90 to 0.97. This is similar to last week when the estimate for one week earlier was 0.97 with an uncertainty of 0.93 to 1.00.
- Based on the pattern in hospitalizations, we expect a continued very high demand for hospital-based services with a very limited supply of hospital beds and continued shortages in ICU beds over the next four weeks. The number of ventilators in Los Angeles County is likely adequate over the next four weeks. We expect average daily mortality to continue to be very high.
- The DHS team's epidemic model estimates the number of people in Los Angeles County who:
 - Are still susceptible to infection if exposed;
 - Have been exposed and are incubating, but not infectious;
 - Have COVID-19 and are infectious to others, though they may have no symptoms;
 - Have had COVID-19 and either recovered or died, so they are no longer infectious.
- The model suggests that about 0.77% (uncertainty of 0.50% to 1.14%) of everyone in Los Angeles County is currently infected and infectious to others.
- o This would suggest about 1 in 130 (between 1 in 200 and 1 in 90) Los Angeles County residents are currently infectious to others. One week ago, this estimate was 1 in 115.
- Approximately 1 in 3 persons in Los Angeles County has been infected with COVID-19 since the beginning of the pandemic
- L.A. County Daily Briefing Statistics on COVID-19 DPH confirmed 262 new deaths, five new cases of COVID-19 in Manhattan Beach, and 8,512 new cases in Today's Daily Report. To date, DPH identified 1,046,021 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County and a total of 14,641 deaths. There are 7,263 people with COVID-19 currently hospitalized, and 23% of these people are in the ICU. Testing results are available for approximately 5,303,000 individuals, with 19% 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. As part of its commitment to reduce health inequities and ensure the best outcomes for all Californians, the State launched a Health Equity Dashboard that tracks California's health equity measure and data by race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, and gender identity. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently added County View to their national COVID Data Tracker, providing case statistics by County throughout the United States, see covid.cdc.gov.

CURRENT STATUS OF CITY FACILITIES, ACTIVITIES, AND PROGRAMS

SERVICE	STATUS	CHANGE
Emergency Operations Center	Level 1 ⁸	N/A
Police Emergency Response	Normal	N/A
Fire Emergency Response	Normal	N/A

⁸ 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
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 <u>Parks and Facilities</u>)	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