City of Carson COVID-19 Update

Monday, July 13, 2020

The coronavirus outbreak began in Wuhan, China, and has since spread across the globe impacting many countries including the United States. The first case of COVID-19 in the United States was reported on January 14, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

To help keep the community informed, the City of Carson is providing COVID-19 news updates related to health and safety tips, and informational links to meet the needs of the community and protect public health. To slow the spread of COVID-19, public health officials urge residents to practice social distancing, wash their hands regularly, wear a face covering and stay home as much as possible and avoid the "Three C's": Crowded places, Confined Spaces and Close Contact with others not in your household.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CITY OF CARSON MUST ADHERE TO ANY AND ALL ORDERS SET FORTH BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

COVID-19 CASES

	CASES	DEATHS
CARSON	874	34
County of Los Angeles	136,384	3,822
California	334,921	7,040
United States	3,364,918	137,613
Global	13,132,491	573,835

John Hopkins University & Medicine Coronavirus Resource Center

https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html

County of Los Angeles Public Health

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/locations.htm

• Several Business Sectors Have Been Ordered to Shut Down Once Again By Gov. Gavin Newsom on Monday, July 13 amid an increasingly coronavirus surge. Counties throughout the state are to close all indoor operations at wineries, tasting rooms, movie theaters, family entertainment centers, zoos, museums and cardrooms. Restaurants will be allowed only outdoor dining and takeout while all bars will fully close. Gyms, hair salons, barbershops, other personal care services, indoor malls, offices in non-critical sectors, and places of worship are to close in counties on the state's watch list which include - Colusa, Contra Costa, Fresno, Glenn, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Los Angeles, Madera, Marin, Merced, Monterey, Orange, Placer, Riverside, Sacramento, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Joaquin, Santa Barbara, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tulare, Yolo, Yuba and Ventura Counties. For more information, please log on to: https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap-counties/

- L.A. County Schools Will Begin The New School Year in August Without Students At Its Facilities as reported by Austin Beutner, Superintendent of Los Angeles Unified School District. "The health and safety of all in the school community is not something we can compromise". Final plans will be released by the first week in August. For updates and to view the video and the transcript, please log on to: https://achieve.lausd.net/latestnews
- California Prisons Are Considering the Release of Up to 8,000 More Inmates by the End of August in an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19 according to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Since the start of the pandemic, 10,000 inmates have already been released from the state prison system in an effort to maximize space available for social distancing. Just in San Quentin prison, more than 200 staff and more than 1,300 prisoners have active cases, and at least six inmates have died, according to news reports.
 https://www.cdcr.ca.gov/news/2020/07/10/cdcr-announces-additional-actions-to-reduce-population-and-maximize-space-systemwide-to-address-covid-19/
- Carson City Hall Closed at 3:00 p.m. On Thursday, July 9 After Management Learned of A Third Employee Testing Positive to COVID-19. As of Monday, a total of ten employees reported having tested positive to Coronavirus. Contact tracing was conducted on each of the cases and more employees were sent home out of precaution to test and self-quarantine. The entire facility was disinfected over the weekend by a professional service. City Hall remained COVID-19 case-free for approximately three months while staff had been downsized and telecommuting was set in place in an effort to prevent the spread of the virus. On June 29, after Governor Newsom's order allowing businesses to re-open, City Hall open. Memos and instructional videos containing new rules, regulations, protocols, guidelines and hygiene practices were disseminated to staff to ensure their safety and well-being as well as that of all who enter City Hall. Reinstating previous staff schedules are currently under discussion by Management.
- The Carson City Council Held An "Emergency Council Meeting" on Friday, July 10, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. due to the increase in number of employees testing positive to COVID-19. A timeline of reported cases was shared as well as case data for Carson. To view the meeting, please go to: http://carson.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=2214
- Covid-19 Testing in Carson and Los Angeles County:
 - o Carson Community Center Carson residents only. To make an appointment, please log on to: https://ushealthfairs.org/carsonform/
 - o Los Angeles County all county residents. For locations and appointments, please log on to: https://covid19.lacounty.gov/testing/
- Meal Programs for Residents Continue in Carson, including for Seniors and the Homebound.
 - o Carson Essentials to GO Grocery Package Purchase delivered: (310) 952-1765
 - o Free Meal Pick-Up for those in need, Mon. Thurs. at 11:00 a.m.: (310) 952-1750
 - o Free Meals Delivered to homebound residents: (310) 952-1750
 - o Meals on Wheels Program for seniors age 60 and up: (310) 602-4909
 - Grab & Go Food Centers, please log on to: <u>https://achieve.lausd.net/resources</u>

- Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, please log on to: https://www.lafoodbank.org/coronavirus/
- The City of Carson is Open For Business With Restrictions Applying. Residents are encouraged to conduct business telephonically or via the internet when possible. Visitors will not be allowed in city facilities without an appointment with the specific department of business.
 - O Carson City Hall (310) 830-7600 http://ci.carson.ca.us/Departments.aspx Hours: Mon. Thurs. 7a.m. 6:00 p.m.
 - o City Parks (310) 847-3570 http://ci.carson.ca.us/CommunityServices/Parks Rec Parks.aspx
 - Hours: Monday Friday: 12pm 7pm
 Saturday: 10am 5pm
 Sunday: 12pm 5pm
 - All visitors are required to wear a facemask/face coverings
 - Permits for room rentals are not being issued at this time.
 - Playgrounds and baseball fields remain closed.
 - No organized team workouts, practices or games are permitted.
 - Passive Recreation family household only.
 - Tennis Courts are now open. Only two people can play at a time, 1 hour max play time.
 - Run, Walk, and Jog maintaining social distancing only.

Please continue to follow the recommendations of public health experts to avoid the spread of COVID-19 by washing your hands often; clean and disinfect surfaces on a regular basis; stay a safe distance from one another; stay home if you are ill; avoid others who are who are ill; cover coughs and sneezes; wear face masks if you are ill. If you are experiencing high fever, along with dry cough and fatigue, call your health provider so they can provide you with professional advice and recommendations. Those with underlying health conditions, the elderly and those who are pregnant should consider calling sooner, as soon as feeling ill.