



CITY OF CARSON COVID-19 UPDATE

Thursday, April 8, 2021

COVID-19 GENERAL INFORMATION FOR CARSON RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES

To help keep the community informed, the City of Carson is providing COVID-19 (coronavirus) news updates related to health, safety recommendations, and informational links to meet the needs of the community and protect public health.

The coronavirus outbreak began in China and has since spread across the globe with the first case reported in the U.S. by the CDC in January 2020. Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), the etiologic agent of coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19), is commonly spread among people who are in contact with an infected person. Some people who are infected may not exhibit symptoms but can still spread the virus according to public health experts. Although less common, COVID-19 can also spread through a person's contact with coronavirus contaminated objects and surfaces where respiratory droplets have landed and then touching their own mouth, nose, or eyes.

Transmissions can overall be significantly reduced if everyone wears a face covering always securely over their nose and mouth, maintains six feet distance from anyone outside of their household, washes their hands regularly, and stays home as much as possible. People are also urged to avoid public gatherings where people are in close proximity, unable to remain six feet apart, cheering and shouting, especially without face coverings. If you are even mildly sick or think you were exposed to someone with COVID-19, stay home and away from others, and consider being tested for the virus.

The above recommendations are essential to prevent you from unintentionally spreading COVID-19 to other people.

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.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) COVID-19 Self-Checker Interactive Clinical Assessment Tool

COVID-19 CASES

(Numbers May Vary Depending on Time of Day)

04/08/2021	CASES	DEATHS
CARSON	9,480	236
West Carson/Unincorp.	2,134	128
County of Los Angeles	1,223,832	23,340
California	3,687,988	60,038
United States	31,124,092	564,447
Global	133,427,655	2,893,112

[John Hopkins University & Medicine](#)
[Coronavirus Resource Center](#)
 State of California
[Tracking COVID-19 In California](#)
 County of Los Angeles Public Health
[Tracking COVID-19 in Los Angeles County](#)

Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
COVID-19 VACCINE
Free to Everyone Regardless of Financial Status, Immigration Status or Insurance Coverage

<u>COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Phases in Los Angeles County</u>				
PHASE 1A	PHASE 1B			UPCOMING GROUPS
<u>Healthcare Workers</u>	<u>LA County Residents Ages 65 and Older</u>	<u>Emergency Services</u>	<u>Veterans Receiving Care Through VA, Family Members and Caregivers</u>	THURSDAY APRIL 15, 2021
		<u>Education and Childcare</u>		
<u>Staff & Residents at Skilled Nursing Facilities</u>	<u>People Who Live and Work in Congregate Living Spaces</u>	<u>Janitorial, Custodial and Maintenance Services</u>		<u>Ages 16 and Above</u>
<u>Staff & Residents at Long-Term Nursing Facilities</u>	<u>Ages 16 – 64 with Underlying Health Conditions/High Risk Disability</u>	<u>Food and Agriculture</u>	<u>LAUSD Teachers, Staff, Students and their Families</u>	Please Note: People Age 16 and 17 Can Only Receive the Pfizer Vaccine
		<u>COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Volunteers</u>		
	<u>Transportation and Logistics</u>	<u>LA County Residents Ages 50 and Older</u>		

FREE COVID-19 TESTING AND VACCINATION IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

- Testing - [Carson Community Center](#)
- Testing - [City of Los Angeles](#)
- Testing - [County of Los Angeles](#)
- Vaccine/Testing - [Ralphs Pharmacies](#)
- Vaccine/Testing - [Rite Aid Pharmacy](#)
- Vaccine/Testing - [Albertsons Companies Pharmacy](#)
- Vaccine/Testing - [CVS Pharmacy](#)
- Vaccine - [California Department of Public Health](#)
- Vaccine - [County of Los Angeles Public Health](#)
- Vaccine - [City of Los Angeles](#)

Free Transportation to COVID-19 Vaccination Sites for Carson Residents (888) 677-8863

- **Johnson & Johnson Single Dose COVID-19 Vaccinations Will Be Available By Appointment Only On Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** at Veterans Sports Complex to all eligible categories, in partnership with Behavioral Health Services Inc. You must pre-schedule an appointment.
 - **California Department of Public Health COVID-19:** [COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments](#)



- **Johnson & Johnson Single Dose COVID-19 Vaccinations Will Be Available by Appointment Only On Friday, April 9, 2021, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** at the Crystal Casino parking lot, located at 123 E. Artesia Blvd. in Compton to all eligible categories, hosted by Assemblymember Mike Gipson for 64th Assembly District Residents, in partnership with the Central Neighborhood Health Foundation. You must pre-register.
 - **Office of Assemblymember Mike A. Gipson:** RSVP to Keara Joe at Keara.joe@asm.ca.gov or (310) 324-6408.
- **South African B.1.351 and Brazilian P.1 Variants Detected In L.A. County, Both Classified Variants Of Concern** by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) because they are potentially associated with increased transmissibility and reduced susceptibility to certain therapeutics. Public Health Director stated that although these are the first reported cases of the South Africa and Brazil variant in L.A. County, it is likely there are additional undetected and undiagnosed cases this highlights the need for L.A. County residents to continue to do everything we can to take measures to protect ourselves and others, including wearing a mask, maintaining at least six feet of distance from others who aren't in our household, and getting the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as it's made available to residents
 - County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health: [News Release | April 07, 2021](#)
- **[COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan \(EIDL\) Beginning April 6, 2021 Provides Economic Relief To Small Businesses And Nonprofit Organizations, Including Agricultural Businesses](#)** that are currently experiencing a temporary loss of revenue due to COVID-19 for working capital and normal operating expense. Loans are for 24-months of economic injury with a maximum loan amount of \$500,000, fixed for 30 years at 3.75% for Businesses and 2.75% for non-profits with no pre-payment penalty or fees.
- **[Shuttered Venue Operators Grant \(SVOG\) Expects To Open In Early April And Provides Emergency Assistance For Eligible Venues Affected By COVID-19.](#)** Applicants may qualify for grants equal to 45% of their gross earned revenue, with the maximum amount available for a single grant award of \$10 million while \$2 billion is reserved for eligible applications with up to 50 full-time employees. Those with the greatest economic loss will be processed first. Eligible entities include: Live venue operators or promoters; Theatrical producers; Live performing arts organization operators; Relevant museum operators, zoos and aquariums; Motion picture theater operators; Talent representatives; and each business entity owned by an eligible entity that also meets the eligibility requirements.
- **[Keep Our Shops On The Block: Personal Care And Retail Recovery Grant For \\$10,000 And Deadline To Apply Is Sunday, April 11, 2021](#)** through the LA Regional COVID Fund which seeks to address the financial, technical, and cultural barriers have kept many of our neighborhood partners from accessing federal programs like the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) and Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL), by providing additional support to underserved communities throughout the county.
- **Oral COVID-19 Vaccine Being Tested That Could Offer Protection From COVID-19 Without The Need For An Injection.** Researchers at the Chan Soon-Shiong Research Institute El Segundo are testing on healthy volunteers whether a series of capsules might work as well as, or even better than, than existing COVID vaccines using four different approaches, since scientists still don't know if pills alone can prevent transmission. While existing vaccines help create antibodies to the spike protein on the surface of the coronavirus, ImmunityBio's T cell vaccine targets the globe in the middle, a part scientists say is less prone to mutation. The researchers at ImmunityBio hypothesize that they can create long-term protection against the virus by generating both killer T-cells and antibodies. Soon-Shiong believes there's reason for optimism for lasting protection. The trial is open to healthy adults under the age of 55 who aren't pregnant and haven't had COVID. To view the CBS News via MSN April 7, 2021 News Report, please go to: [Oral COVID-19 Vaccine Being Tested In LA-Area Research Center](#)



- L.A. County Libraries Will Begin To Re-Open Designated Libraries For Select In-Person Services On Monday, April 19, 2021.**
 Currently, all [L.A. County Libraries](#) provide [Sidewalk Service](#). For more information and the full list of [Libraries Scheduled to Re-Open](#), please go, For the full list of Libraries and their services, please go to [Library Reopening – LA County Library](#)
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- Staples And Office Depot/Office Max Are Offering Free Laminations Of Completed Covid-19 Vaccination Cards Through July 25.**
 Currently, the paper CDC card is all you have and you may soon need to carry proof that you've been vaccinated now that Covid-19 vaccinations are becoming more available. The CDC also suggests taking a picture of your vaccination card as a backup copy if you need the information. You must bring a copy of a coupon with your vaccine card to receive the free lamination.
[Office Depot/Office Max Free COVID-19 Card Lamination Coupon](#)
- New Research Highlights Psychiatric And Neurological Problems Are Common In COVID-19 And Has Lingering Effects On The Brain.**
 About a 1/3 of third of surviving patients were diagnosed with at least one neurological or psychiatric disorder six months after becoming ill. The neuropsychiatric ailments that followed COVID-19 ranged widely, from stroke and dementia to anxiety disorders and sleep disturbances. Patients who developed encephalitis, a dangerous swelling of the brain, were most likely to manifest serious neurological illness, but even those who were not hospitalized were more likely to get a diagnosis for one or more neuropsychiatric disorders than were people who had suffered a bout of flu or another respiratory illness, researchers found. Worldwide, close to 130 million have had confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infections and survived. Even if the brain-related problems seen in the study occur only in patients who develop COVID-19 symptoms, they suggest that the pandemic will leave in its wake a huge population of patients with ongoing problems. Los Angeles Times via Yahoo News April 8, 2021

 - [The Lancet Regional Health | Psychiatry: 6-Month Neurological And Psychiatric Outcomes In 236 379 Survivors Of COVID-19: A Retrospective Cohort Study Using Electronic Health Records](#)
- [COVID-19 Funeral Expense Financial Assistance](#) available through Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- [COVID-19 Housing Is Key Rent Relief Program](#) Financial assistance to help income-eligible [renters](#) the payment of unpaid and future rent to [landlords](#), as well as unpaid and future utilities, through federal rental assistance funds.
- [COVID-19 California Small Business Relief Grant Program](#) (Round 6). Grant awards from \$5,000 to \$25,000 for current waitlisted small businesses and nonprofits not selected in Rounds 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and new applicants that meet eligibility criteria **Begin Wednesday, April 28, 2021.**
- [Paycheck Protection Program \(PPP\)](#) Small Business Administration (SBA) loans to businesses with 20 or less employees, to help keep their workforce employed during the COVID-19 crisis. **Deadline to apply is until May 31, 2021.**
- [AARP Foundation Tax-Aide](#) Free tax preparation assistance to Carson Residents ages 50+ or have low to moderate income by [Appointment Only](#) – ongoing until appointments full. Deadlines to file [State Income Tax](#) (FTB) and [Federal Income Tax](#) (IRS) have been extended until May 17, 2021 (310) 835-0212 ext. 1475

 - [City of Carson Flyer](#)



- [Department Of Public Social Services \(DPSS\)](#) Offers social service assistance to families and individuals with Medi-Cal (health insurance), CalFresh (food assistance), CalWORKs (cash assistance) as well as other programs for those who are experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, substance use disorders among others. (866) 613-3777
- **Meal Programs And Assistance For Carson Residents** - Including for seniors and the homebound.
 - **Carson Essentials to Go 2.0** – Free Groceries Package Delivered Service for Seniors and Low Income Families: (310) 952-1765
 - **Free Meal Pick-Up** for those in need, Mon. - Thurs. at 11:00 a.m. : (310) 952-1750
 - **Meals on Wheels** YMCA Program for seniors age 60 and up: (310) 602-4909
 - **Grab & Go City on the Hill Church** for children and seniors (310) 740-9363
 - **Everytable:** Homemade meals delivery subscription: COVID-19 Hotline: (323) 458-6487 Mainline: (424) 296-1619
 - [Grab & Go Food Centers](#) Los Angeles County Unified School District (LAUSD)
 - [COVID-19 Food Resources](#) County of Los Angeles
 - [Los Angeles Regional Food Bank](#) Food distribution to families and other individuals in need. (323) 234-3030
 - **WIC (Women, Infants and Children)** Health/Food Program for low income families with children ages 5 and under. (888) WIC-WORKS
 - [CalFresh \(SNAP\) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program](#) provides financial assistance to low-income families. (877) 847-3663
- [Southern California Edison](#) (800) 655-4555 (**SCE**) Utility Programs For Residents:
 - [EAF | SCE](#) Energy Assistance Fund Payment Grant Program
 - [ESA | SCE](#) Energy-Efficient Appliance Replacement Assistance Program
 - [CARE/FERA | SCE](#) Reduced Monthly Bill Program
 - [Medical Baseline Allowance | SCE](#) Baseline Rate Program For Individuals With A Serious Health Condition
- [SoCalGas](#) (877) 238-0092 **The Gas Company** Utility Programs For Residents
 - [GAF | SoCalGas](#) Gas Assistance Fund Grant
 - [LIHEAP | SoCalGas](#) Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
 - [Forgiveness | SoCalGas](#) Past Due Bill Forgiveness Program
 - [CARE Program | SoCalGas](#) California Alternate Rates for Energy Financial Relief Program
 - [Medical Baseline Allowance | SoCalGas](#) Baseline Rate Program For Individuals With A Serious Health Condition
 - [Energy Savings Assistance Program | SoCalGas](#) No Cost Home Improvements
 - **RES DI | SoCalGas** FREE Home Weatherization Program Authorized Contractor ACS Group (562) 464-0880



If You Feel Anxious, Stressed, Worried, Sad, Bored, Depressed, Lonely or Frustrated

due to your current circumstance possibly caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak as it is changing life for all of us, please use these valuable resources below for emotional support and well-being to help yourself and to help others by going to:

[Resources for Emotional Support and Well-Being](#)

- **24-hour Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** [800-273-8255](tel:800-273-8255) or text [838255](text:838255)
- **24-hour Domestic Violence Hotline:** [800-799-7233](tel:800-799-7233) or click [Chat Now](#)
- **Call 911** if you or the person you are helping is in immediate danger.

If You Are Experiencing High Fever, Along With Dry Cough And Fatigue, Call Your Health Provider Immediately for professional advice and recommendations, especially those with underlying health conditions, the elderly and pregnant women.

Please continue to follow the recommendations of public health experts to avoid the spread of COVID-19 by wearing a face mask, washing your hands often; clean and disinfect surfaces regularly; stay a safe distance from one another; stay home if you are ill; avoid others who are or if you are ill; and cover coughs and sneezes.

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