



CITY OF CARSON COVID-19 UPDATE

Tuesday, April 13, 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)

04/13/2021	CASES	DEATHS
CARSON	9,535	236
West Carson/Unincorp.	2,140	128
County of Los Angeles	1,226,851	23,503
California	3,704,446	60,502
United States	31,297,614	567,894
Global	137,016,668	2,951,145

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

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Phases in Los Angeles County

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

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](#)

- **County Residents 16 And Older Will Be Offered COVID-19 Vaccination Beginning Tuesday, April 13 At City Of Los Angeles Run Sites**, while County sites will begin on April 15. The city is also taking over operations at the Cal State Los Angeles vaccine center and will be able to administer more than 130,000 doses across its nine permanent sites and its Mobile Outreach for Vaccine Equity program, according to officials. All sites will be open Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., with Dodger Stadium open only until 1 p.m. from Tuesday through Thursday. City of Los Angeles-run sites [Appointments](#) can be made online. [Fox L.A. News April 12, 2021 News Report](#)



- NOTICE: U.S. Federal Health Agencies Will Temporarily Stop Using Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) Single Dose COVID-19 Vaccine** according to a joint statement released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). [CDC and FDA Joint Statement on Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine | April 13, 2021](#): As of April 12, more than 6.8 million doses of the Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vaccine have been administered in the U.S. CDC and FDA are reviewing data involving six reported U.S. cases of a rare and severe type of blood clot in individuals after receiving the J&J vaccine. In these cases, a type of blood clot called cerebral venous sinus thrombosis (CVST) was seen in combination with low levels of blood platelets (thrombocytopenia). All six cases occurred among women between the ages of 18 and 48, and symptoms occurred 6 to 13 days after vaccination. Treatment of this specific type of blood clot is different from the treatment that might typically be administered. Usually, an anticoagulant drug called heparin is used to treat blood clots. In this setting, administration of heparin may be dangerous, and alternative treatments need to be given. CDC will convene a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) on Wednesday to further review these cases and assess their potential significance. FDA will review that analysis as it also investigates these cases. Until that process is complete, we are recommending a pause in the use of this vaccine out of an abundance of caution. This is important, in part, to ensure that the health care provider community is aware of the potential for these adverse events and can plan for proper recognition and management due to the unique treatment required with this type of blood clot. Right now, these adverse events appear to be extremely rare. COVID-19 vaccine safety is a top priority for the federal government, and we take all reports of health problems following COVID-19 vaccination very seriously. People who have received the J&J vaccine who develop severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath within three weeks after vaccination should contact their health care provider.

 - [Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#) where health care providers can report adverse events.
- Men Of Color In Los Angeles County Have Higher Mortality Rates Than Women Although Case Rates Are Relatively Similar.** As of April 10, the cumulative mortality rate for females is 153 deaths per 100,000 women, while it is nearly doubled for men at 289. Black/African American and Latino/Latinx males also experience higher rates of mortality than Asian and White males with nearly two and a half times than Asian males and more than three times from White males. Unfortunately, Black and Latino males have much lower vaccination rates with only 19% of Black males and 17% of Latino males, compared to 35% of Asian males and 32% White.

 - County of Los Angeles Public Health: [Men of Color in Los Angeles County Have Shockingly Higher Mortality Rates Than Women but Lower Vaccination Rates | April 12, 2021](#)**
- California Surpasses 60,000 Coronavirus Deaths On Sunday, April 11** according to the California Department of Public Health. COVID-19 deaths have plummeted to 61 statewide totaling 60,038, and hospitalizations are at 2,113. While some experts have criticized California for acting too slowly to impose a stay-at-home order as the autumn-and-winter surge worsened, imposed business restrictions in much of the state have been credited for saving lives and protecting many California hospitals from tipping into the catastrophic conditions New York's hospitals faced early in the pandemic. California has achieved significant progress in slowing the spread of the coronavirus and has avoided the spring wave that has hit other parts of the country. Officials also believe the rise in vaccinations has played a positive role after the state experienced a devastating autumn-and-winter COVID-19 surge. California has administered 22.5 million shots since Dec. 15 with 21.7% of the state fully vaccinated, and beginning Thursday, all ages 16 and above will be eligible for the vaccine. It is home to about 12% of Americans and the death toll represents 10.7% of COVID-19 deaths nationwide, currently having the lowest cumulative COVID-19 per capita death rate of the eight most populous states. To view the Los Angeles Times April 11, 2021 News Report, please go to: [California Surpasses 60,000 Deaths From The Coronavirus On Sunday | April 11, 2021](#)



- **An Additional 11 Cases Of Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome (MIS-C) Have Been Identified In L.A. County Children**, now totaling 169 cases and one death. All 169 children were hospitalized with 39% being treated in ICU, 26% were under the age of 5, 31% were between the ages of 5 and 9, 27% were between the ages of 10 and 14 while 16% were between the ages of 15 and 20. Latino/Latinx children account for 75% of the reported cases. The CDC has reported 3,185 MIS-C cases and 36 deaths nationally since the start of the pandemic. MIS-C is a serious inflammatory condition associated with COVID-19 that affects children under the age of 21. Symptoms include fever that does not go away and inflamed body parts, including the heart, lungs, kidneys, brain, skin, eyes, or gastrointestinal organs. This week, the County had the lowest test positivity rate since the start of the pandemic; today's rate is 1.1%. The test positivity rate peaked on December 30, during the height of the surge, at 20.9%, and has dropped 45% percent in the last month.
 - **County of Los Angeles Public Health: [Additional MIS-C Cases Confirmed in Children as L.A. County Reports Lowest Test Positivity Rate Since the Beginning of the Pandemic | April 10, 2021](#)**
- **A Statewide "Let's Get To Immunity" COVID-19 Vaccine Public Education And Outreach Media Campaign For Black And African American Audiences** has been launched to address questions/concerns about COVID-19, with the help of radio, print, social media, TV and billboard advertisements focusing on multicultural and multilingual media outlets. Data shows that COVID-19 disproportionately impacts Black and African American communities in terms of severity, mortality, and economics, and that these communities are also being vaccinated at disproportionately low rates. Partnering with trusted leaders, it aims to connect with the community and understand their unique concerns. The campaign will remain focused on increasing vaccine equity and on geographic areas in the bottom quarter of the Healthy Places Index (HPI) and include appropriate access in disproportionately impacted communities with evening/extended hours, transportation services, translation services, home-bound services, mobile vaccine services, and physical accessibility features at vaccination events.
 - **California Department of Public Health: [CDPH Rolls Out COVID-19 Vaccine Campaign For Black And African American Audiences | April 8, 2021](#)**
- **California Lifts COVID-19 Limits On Indoor Worship Services In The Face Of U.S. Supreme Court Rulings** that struck down the public health mandates following lawsuits. State Department of Public Health guidelines still state that indoor gatherings are “strongly discouraged” and recommends limiting capacity to 25% for the two-highest tier levels and 50% in areas with moderate to minimum spread, not mandatory but are “strongly recommended.” The U.S. Supreme Court struck down a full ban although it left in place capacity limits and a ban on singing or chanting, but on Friday however, it ruled that California can't enforce virus-related limits on home-based religious worship, including Bible studies and prayer meetings. California previously announced significant changes that loosen restrictions on gatherings, including allowing indoor concerts and theater performances after infection rates have gone down and vaccination numbers have surged. To view the Associated Press via MSN April, 12, 2021 News Report, please go to: [California lifts COVID-19 limits on indoor worship services \(msn.com\)](#)
- **L.A. County Will Ease Its COVID-19 Restrictions Starting Thursday Allowing Indoor Events and Attendance** to indoor Sports, theater performances, concerts and conferences, but the county will impose a stricter capacity limit than the state guidelines. It will limit attendance at larger venues to 25% of capacity when all guests are vaccinated or tested, and all suites are limited to 25% capacity. Proof of vaccination or a negative test required to be admitted at venues. Attendance at large and small arenas is restricted to in-state residents only with pre-purchased, digital admission tickets. Masks are required at all times, except when people are eating in designated dining areas, and six feet of physical distancing between groups must be maintained. Venues must have a weekly worker testing program. For smaller indoor venues up to 1,500 people, capacity is limited to a maximum of 15%, or 200 people with increased capacity to 35% if everyone is fully vaccinated or has proof of a negative test. Outdoor private event gatherings can be held with 100 people, or up to 300 if everyone is vaccinated/tested, while indoor activities



are permitted to a maximum of 150 people only if all guests are vaccinated or tested. Informal private social gatherings are for up to 50 people, with required masking and physical distancing. Indoor social gatherings are "strongly discouraged," but can be held with a maximum of 25 people or 25% of the venue's capacity, whichever is lower, with required masks and no eating or drinking unless everyone attending has been vaccinated. To view the ABC Los Angeles April 13, 2021 News Report, please to: [Indoor Sports Venues in L.A. County to Re-open | ABC](#)

- [COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan](#) (EIDL) 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.
- [Shuttered Venue Operators Grant](#) (SVOG) Provides emergency assistance for eligible venues and 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, that was affected by COVID-19.
- [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](#) or text [838255](#)
- **24-hour Domestic Violence Hotline:** [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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