



City of Carson COVID-19 Update

Monday, August 24, 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 the coronavirus, 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.

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	1627	48
County of Los Angeles	232,893	5558
California	675,267	12,231
United States	5,793,461	179,329
Global	23,566,502	811,298

John Hopkins University & Medicine Coronavirus Resource Center

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

State of California Coronavirus Statewide Update

<https://update.covid19.ca.gov/>

County of Los Angeles Public Health

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

- **A Carson City Council Regular Meeting was held on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.** To view this a video recording of this and previous meetings and Agendas, please go to: <https://carson.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

- **Parking Enforcement Will Begin Citing Vehicles Beginning Tuesday, September 1, 2020** for all parking violations. Residents are requested to move their vehicles during street sweeping days and times posted throughout the city and observe all other parking rules and regulations. For more information, please go to: <http://ci.carson.ca.us/>
- **A Superior Court Judge Affirmed The Validity of The Prohibition On Indoor Church Services** by the Los Angeles County’s Health Officer Order which has been upheld by the state Court of Appeal ruling that was challenged by a Sun Valley church as unconstitutional. The County has asked the court to consider issuing a temporary restraining order prohibiting the church from holding indoor services. If the court issues the order, any future indoor services could be grounds for a contempt citation and fines of up to \$20,000. A hearing on the County’s request is set for Monday, August 24, 2020. For the News Report, please go to: <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/covid19-news/judge-affirms-validity-countys-health-officer-order-hearing-set-monday-enforcement/>
- **Nine Additional Cases of Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome In Children (MIS-C)** Were Reported by Los Angeles County Department of Public Health bringing the total cases of MIS-C in L.A. County to 25 children. MIS-C is a condition that affects children under 21 years old who may have been exposed to or had COVID-19, where different body parts can become inflamed, including the heart, lungs, kidneys, brain, skin, eyes, or gastrointestinal organs resulting in possible lifelong health impacts. To view the County of Los Angeles Public Health News Release, please go to: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=2600>
- **New Reports of Concerns With The Increases In Opioid-related Overdoses During COVID-19 Pandemic** by the American Medical Association (AMA). AMA is greatly concerned by more than 40 states having reported increases in opioid-related mortality as well as ongoing concerns with mental illness or substance use disorder. To view the full AMA August report, please go to: <https://www.ama-assn.org/system/files/2020-08/issue-brief-increases-in-opioid-related-overdose.pdf>
- **The Cal State University System Has Changed With Some Colleges Offering More In-Person Classes and Services Than Others** due to COVID-19 pandemic and budget cuts throughout its 23 campuses in 18 counties. In L.A. County, only classes that train students in essential work, such as healthcare, education, and food and agriculture, may meet in person, and only students with no feasible alternative may be housed on campus. Los Angeles County has issued strict reopening guidelines for higher education institutions due to a high prevalence of COVID-19, whereas those with less have said they would follow the somewhat more relaxed state guidelines. Budget cuts have some universities considering layoffs and course reductions and all of the L.A.-area CSU campuses — Dominguez Hills, Fullerton, Los Angeles, Long Beach, Northridge and Pomona campuses are still limiting travel, freezing hiring and laying off some employees. For the full Los Angeles Times news report, please go to: <https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-08-24/how-covid-19-and-budget-woes-have-changed-what-back-to-school-means-at-cal-state>
- **Avoid Census Takers From Coming To Your Home by Submitting Your Census 2020 Questionnaire Online Today.** The 2020 Census filing deadline is September 30 and Carson residents must be counted. Carson depends on Federal Money for vital programs and services for education, housing, healthcare, transportation and so much more for our communities. Encourage your friends and neighbors to do so as well. To submit the 2020 Census Online at: <https://my2020census.gov/>



- **University of Southern California Reports Increases In COVID-19 Cases** just one week into the fall semester. In the past seven days 43 cases have been identified and more than 100 students placed in a 14-day quarantine due to exposures. USC resumed instruction almost entirely online on August 17 and is limiting access to campus although many students remain in private apartments and houses off campus, where parties and gatherings of people from different households have been reported. To view the full Community Health Advisory Report released by the Chief Health Officer for USC Student Health, please go to: <https://we-are.usc.edu/2020/08/24/8-24-community-health-advisory-covid-19-cases-in-off-campus-residences/>
- **Meal Programs** and assistance for residents continue in Carson, including for seniors and the homebound.
 - **Carson Essentials to GO** – Grocery Package Purchase - delivered: (310) 952-1765
 - **Free Meal Pick-Up** for those in need, Mon. - Thurs. at 11:00 a.m. : (310) 952-1750
 - **Free Meals Delivered** to homebound residents: (310) 952-1750
 - **Meals on Wheels** Program for seniors age 60 and up: (310) 602-4909
 - **Grab & Go** Food Centers, please log on to: <https://achieve.lausd.net/resources>
 - **Los Angeles Regional Food Bank**, please log on to: <https://www.lafoodbank.org/coronavirus/>
 - **County of Los Angeles Food Resources** <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/food/>
 - **WIC** (Women, Infants and Children) is a health program that provides food vouchers to low income families with children 5 years old and under. For more information, please call 1-888-WIC-WORKS or go to: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CFH/DWICSN/Pages/Program-Landing1.aspx>
 - **CalFresh** is the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) that provides financial assistance low-income families. For more information, please call (877) 847-3663 or go to: <https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/calfresh>
- **Covid-19 Testing** in Carson and Los Angeles County:
 - Carson Community Center - Carson residents only. To make an appointment, please log on to: <https://ushealthfairs.org/carsonform/>
 - Los Angeles County - All county residents. For locations and appointments, please log on to: <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/testing/>

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.

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