



City of Carson COVID-19 Update

Monday, October 26, 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 and Deaths Numbers May Vary Depending on Time of Day)

10/26/2020	CASES	DEATHS
CARSON	2,038	65
County of Los Angeles	300,662	7,000
California	913,699	17,400
United States	8,799,613	228,886
Global	43,615,291	1,161,311

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>

- **COVID-19 Testing in Carson and The County of Los Angeles:**
 - 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/>

- **A Carson City Council Regular Meeting is Scheduled for Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.**
(Date change due to local and national elections)
 - The meeting will be livestreamed on Cable Spectrum Channel 35 and AT&T Channel 99.
 - For public participation during “public comment”, please go to: <http://ci.carson.ca.us/publiccomments.aspx>
 - To view current and previous Agendas, Videos and Minutes, please go to: <https://carson.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

- **Applications For Grants Ranging From \$5,000 - \$25,000 For Micro-Entrepreneurs, Small Businesses, Non-Profits, And Diverse Owned Enterprises Are Being Accepted Now Through Friday, October 30** in its final round through the LA Regional COVID-19 Recovery Fund which was designed to provide a much-needed wave of financial relief and recovery for businesses that have been struggling during the pandemic. For more information and to apply, please go to: <https://www.lacovidfund.org/>

- **You May 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: <https://covid19.ca.gov/resources-for-emotional-support-and-well-being/>
 - **24-hour Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** [800-273-8255](tel:800-273-8255) or text [838255](tel: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.

- **Celebrate Halloween And Día De Los Muertos In Safe Alternative Ways** during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic which continues to pose a severe risk to communities and requires all Californians to follow necessary precautions. To view the guidance and recommendations by the California Department of Public Health, please go to: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Guidance-for-Safer-Halloween-and-Dia-de-los-Muertos-Celebrations-during-COVID-19.aspx>

- **Younger Residents Are Increasing The Number Of COVID-19 Case In Los Angeles County** although people of all ages are at risk of being infected. Public Health specialists call hundreds of COVID-19 positive people and their close contacts daily. Obtaining as much information as possible during the case investigation interview helps contain the virus and minimize outbreaks and is a crucial part of protecting the health of communities. Everyone is encouraged to speak to Public Health specialists if contacted by them which will display “LA Public Health” or 833-641-0305 on your phone. To read the County of Los Angeles Public Health October 19 News Release, please go to: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubdetail.cfm?unit=media&ou=ph&prog=media&cur=cur&prid=2760&row=25&start=1>

- **L.A. County Businesses Are Being Encouraged To Take Advantage of The COVID-19 Safety Compliance Certification Program** which offers business owners and employees the opportunity to participate in a free training program about COVID-19 infection control protocols so that they can be in compliance with infection control and physical distancing requirements. Businesses have a duty to protect employees and



customers from transmission of COVID- 19 and must implement all requirements in the business protocols for reopening and many businesses have not. To read the County of Los Angeles Public Health October 20 News Release, please go to: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=2763>

- **California Blueprint For Reducing COVID-19 Has Been Updated** with revised criteria for loosening and tightening restrictions on activities for individual counties which have a tier based designation on its test positivity and adjusted case rate. To advance to the next less restrictive tier, each county will need to meet the California Health Equity Metric which was designed to help guide counties so they will need to meet the metric or demonstrate targeted investments to eliminate disparities in levels of transmission. To read the California Department of Public Health October 23 Blueprint for a Safer Economy updates, please go to: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/COVID19CountyMonitoringOverview.aspx>
- **Disneyland Stays Closed While Smaller Theme Parks Open With Restrictions** according to California’s plan announced by the State and depending on the specific county’s tiered system level of risk. An Orange County health official said Disneyland will most likely open until next summer according to the plan. To read the California Department of Public Health Guidance for Amusement Parks and Theme Parks, please go to: <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-amusement-theme-parks--en.pdf>
- **Consecutive Minutes Of COVID-19 Exposure Needed To Be A 'Close Contact'** have been reduced by the CDC indicating that the definition of a close contact would be as someone who spent at least 15 minutes within 6 feet or for over a 24-hour period of a confirmed case according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention definition. To view the CDC update, please go to: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/contact-tracing/contact-tracing-plan/appendix.html#contact>
- **Massage and Tattoo Parlors Can Reopen Indoors As California Relaxes Some Coronavirus Restrictions** for additional businesses to resume some indoor operations regardless of their county’s position within the state’s four-tier reopening framework though officials continue to urge caution and stress that patrons and proprietors alike must remain vigilant. To read the October 20 California Department of Public Health Guidance for Expanded Personal Care Services, please go to: <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-expanded-personal-care-services--en.pdf>
- **\$81.4 Million Were Released In A Sixth Round Of Homekey Project Awards** to 5 applicants for 6 projects totaling 430 units through this nation-leading program which enables the state to purchase and rehabilitate housing – including hotels, motels and vacant apartment buildings – and convert them to homeless housing to continue the state’s collective efforts to reduce the pandemic’s impact on the most vulnerable Californians. Funds have been awarded as follows: Los Angeles County - \$24.1 million; San Francisco - \$29.1 million; Oakland - \$17.5 million; Santa Clara County - \$9.5 million; San Bernardino County - \$1.1 million. To read the October 23 Office of Governor Gavin Newsom News Release, please go to: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/10/23/in-san-jose-governor-newsom-announces-approval-of-200-million-in-additional-funding-for-homekey-and-releases-81-4-million-in-sixth-round-of-awards-state-on-track-to-clear-most-of-homekey-waitlist/>
- **Department of Public Social Services (DPSS)** offers assistance to residents for Medi-Cal health insurance, CalFresh food assistance, CalWORKs cash assistance for families, and General Relief cash assistance. They also offer many other social service programs such as to individuals who are experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, substance use disorders as well as others. For more information, please go to: <https://dpss.lacounty.gov/en.html>



- **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/>
 - <https://www.lafoodbank.org/wp-content/uploads/Food-Resource-Guide-2-sided.pdf>
 - **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>

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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