

COUNCILMAN MARK KERSEY

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT



COVID-19 Update and Resources

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District Five Residents,

Property Tax Penalty Cancellations – The San Diego County Treasurer-Tax Collector's Office is now accepting penalty cancellation requests for those who have been directly impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. If you were unable to make your property tax payment on time due to COVID-19, complete and return the special penalty [cancellation request form](#). Requests must be submitted by **June 30**.

Limited Reopening of Businesses – San Diego is ready to safely reopen as soon as state orders are lifted, with [guidelines for businesses to protect employees, customers and the public](#).

City Golf Courses Reopen with Restrictions – City golf courses Torrey Pines, Balboa and Mission Bay are open with modifications to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus. For more information, visit the [City Parks and Recreation Golf Course website](#).

AgeWell Services Calls for Free – For many older adults, a compassionate voice in their lives can make a powerful difference, especially during these isolating times. The City's AgeWell Services staff will call you, FREE, Mon-Fri between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. to check in and say "Hello." [Click for details on how to sign up](#).

City Budget – Budget review hearings for the fiscal year that starts on July 1 are underway. Your next opportunity to address the City Council regarding the proposed budget will be a special evening City Council meeting on Monday, May 11 at 6pm. To provide testimony by phone, call 619-541-6310 (Conf ID: 877861#) when the Clerk indicates that the public comment period is open. Watch the hearing live [online on City TV](#), on AT&T Channel 99, and on Spectrum and Cox Cable Channel 24.

For the latest info on COVID-19 in San Diego County, [click here](#).

[Guide to City Services](#) – What's open and what's closed

[Scripps Health Nurse Line](#)

888-261-8431

[Sharp Healthcare Nurse Line](#)

800-827-4277

[UC San Diego Health Nurse Line](#)

800-926-8273

[Kaiser Permanente Information Line](#)

877-813-7297

[Palomar Health Information](#)



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Economic Assistance

Jobs Available on the Workforce Partnership Portal – San Diego Workforce Partnership has hundreds of available jobs posted on its [Career Portal](#). The organization also has links to childcare resources, work transition webinars and information for employers.

Free and Reduced Meal Benefits are available from the *Poway Unified School District*. You can [apply online for the 2019-2020 school year at this website](#). *San Diego Unified School District* also provides meals and [you can apply here](#).

Small Business Relief Fund - The City of San Diego continues to receive donations to the [The Small Business Relief Fund](#) which provides grants and forgivable and low-interest loans to small businesses. [You can apply here](#).

Better Business Bureau Grant Program – BBB is providing grants for main street businesses which are the backbone of our economy. Click here to apply for the [Main Street Matters grant](#).

The Small Business Administration is offering economic relief for small businesses. See more at the [Coronavirus Relief Options page](#).

ACCION is a small business lender focused on providing flexible capital and other resources to entrepreneurs. Go to their [website for more information about their programs](#).

CA Disaster Relief Loan Guarantee Program - The State's Small Business Finance Center partners with financial development corporations to provide loan guarantees and direct loans for small businesses that experience capital access barriers. More information is [available here](#).

Many banks are offering **deferment of mortgage payments** in this unprecedented time, including [Wells Fargo](#), [Chase](#) and [Bank of America](#). Please check with your lender for details.

San Diego Gas and Electric offers payment plans and assistance for people having trouble paying their bills. Go to the [SDG&E Coronavirus page for more details](#).

Giving

CMR Outreach Food Drive – Carmel Mountain Ranch residents will hold a food drive on Tuesday, May 12th at the Carmel Mountain Ranch Town Center from 10am to 4pm. Donations will be distributed with the help of Feeding San Diego, Californians For All and Giving Tuesday. To volunteer or get additional information, email CMRoutreach@gmail.com.

The following organizations offer help to those in need. They also need your support in the form of volunteering and donations. Please consider giving if you can:

[Meals On Wheels](#)

[Elderhelp of San Diego](#)

[Feeding San Diego](#)

[Serving Seniors](#)

[San Diego Food Bank](#)

[San Diego Small Business Relief Fund](#)

[Support The Enlisted Project \(STEP\)](#)

Mental Health Resources - The outbreak of infectious diseases such as COVID-19 can be stressful for individuals and communities. It is not uncommon to feel anxious or worried while listening, reading or watching the news. While it's necessary to keep up-to-date and make changes to daily life in order to help control the spread of COVID-19, the constant news cycle coupled with social distancing measures can have a real impact on mental health. Find resources to manage your mental health for [families, parents and caregivers here](#).

Health Resources

Scripps Health – nurse line 888-261-8431 and [virtual care options, including video visits](#)

Sharp Healthcare – nurse line 800-827-4277 and [advice for members who have healthcare questions](#)

Palomar Health – [information for patients and the public](#)

UC San Diego Health Nurse Line – 800-926-8273 [and information for patients](#)

Kaiser Permanente Health Line – 877-813-7297 and [information for patients](#)