



Dear Community,

On March 12, 2020, I issued my [initial statement](#) on the COVID-19 Response Plan. During the ten weeks since the issuance of that initial statement, we have maintained the **activation of our Emergency Communications Protocols**. We have been answering your emails seven (7) days a week.

As the public health crisis has evolved, our residents have experienced a loss of wages and jobs. Some of our local small businesses have permanently shuttered their doors, including our beloved, Project Reo Collective, a community-based coffee shop.

My office has worked diligently to connect our residents with food security and economic resources, disseminate accurate information, and provide constant reassurance that we are all in this together. It is going to take all of us to tackle the impacts of the pandemic.

From the beginning, one of my main pillars of governance and a priority for this office has been **Economic Opportunity for All**. One of the most devastating impacts of this pandemic has been the widening of the inequity gap for this community, as well as exacerbating many key issues that have plagued our City for decades, and have had a disparate impact on our **vulnerable and underserved** communities. No matter what lies ahead of us, **we are continuing our grassroots movement to “flatten the curve on inequity.”**

Here is what you need to know for this weekly updated covering May 20 & 27, 2020. We will return to our regularly scheduled weekly update on Wednesday, June 3, 2020.

**\*SPECIAL\* Memorial’s Day Weekend Message**

Memorial Day is celebrated on the last Monday in May each year. **This holiday honors the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the military.** Celebrations, within our community, have often included family gatherings.

This year, Memorial Day falls on Monday, May 25, 2020. Due to the coronavirus pandemic and the protocols established by the County’s [Public Health Order](#) (PHO), **gatherings of ANY size are prohibited** (please see [section 18](#) of the PHO for the definition of “gatherings”).

Thank you for your cooperation over the past ten weeks. We ask that you continue with your commendable efforts. Please celebrate responsibly, and adhere to the public health orders.





## Community Budget Overview

Despite early technical difficulties, **over fifty-five (55) residents** joined our Community Budget Overview (Zoom Webinar) held on Friday, May 15, 2020. Thank you for submitting your concerns. *We read every email.* Due to the overwhelming response to the FY'21 proposed budget, we worked to provide a broad explanation on your concerns, including topics such as infrastructure, code enforcement, weed and graffiti abatement, library hours, Parks and Recreation, pool closures, neighborhood services, sustainability, traffic engineering, public safety, and smart street lights. It was a comprehensive and robust discussion. *A special thank you to the Independent Budget Analyst, Andrea Tevlin, and Jeff Kavar on her staff.*

### [Next Step in the Budget Process: May Revise](#)

The Mayor's proposed revisions to the FY'21 budget ([May Revise](#)) will be discussed at **the Budget Review Committee meeting scheduled on Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 2 p.m.** We urge the community to continue being engaged during this part of the process. We are fighting to restore neighborhood services. For details on how to register public testimony (written or by phone), please visit: <https://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/officialdocs/council-agendas-minutes-results>

## San Diego City Council Meeting Tuesday, May 19, 2020

The [agenda](#) for this meeting included many important items. We want to highlight three of the Councilmember's votes.

### **Your Voice at City Hall**

- **Item S509** (Passed by 8-1 vote): Extension of Residential and Commercial **Eviction Moratorium** Due to the Declared State of Emergency from COVID-19. With the Councilmember's **yes** vote, **the moratorium was extended until June 30, 2020.** Renters have until September 25, 2020 to pay any outstanding rent due. For more information on the moratorium and renter's rights under these protections, please visit: <https://www.sdhc.org/evictionban/>
- **Item S512** (Passed unanimously): Emergency Resolution to Appropriate, Allocate, and Expend \$5,000,000 in **CARES Act Federal Funding to Provide Childcare Vouchers for Essential Workers** and Other Vulnerable Populations. With this **yes** vote, the People's Councilmember demonstrated her unyielding support for essential workers that require financial assistance for childcare services incurred as a result of the pandemic.
- **Item 332** (Passed by 8-1 vote): Substantial Amendment to the FY 2020 Action Plan and FY 2020 – FY 2024 **Consolidated Plan for HUD Programs**, FY 2021 Annual Action Plan and Associated Actions. Prior to registering a **yes** vote, the Councilmember expressed concerns that the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding is designated for Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI) communities, and requested to see the data to ensure that the funding is being used for this purpose.

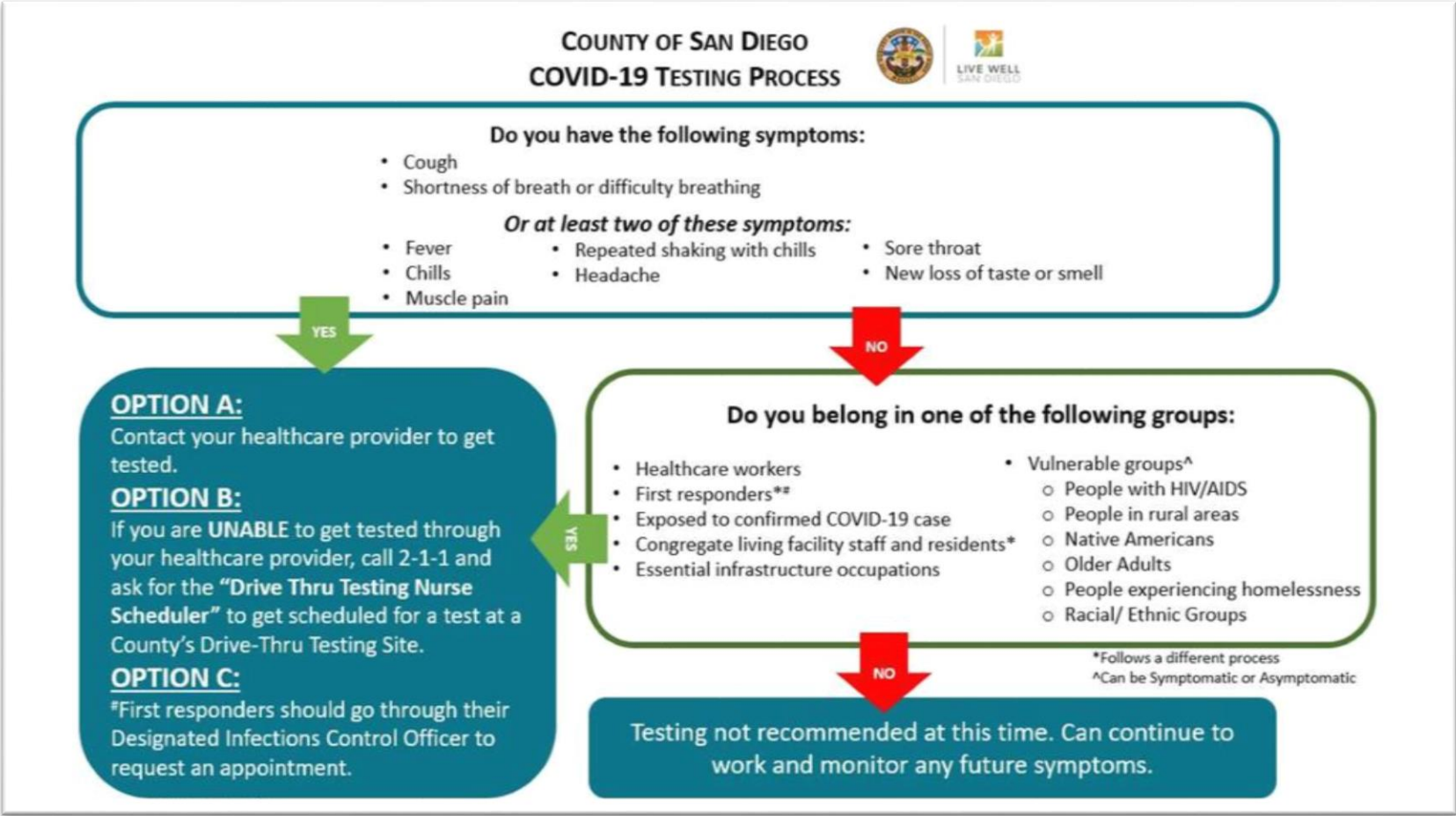




## COVID-19 TESTING SITES

Testing, contact tracing and treatment (the 3Ts) are crucial components of the six indicators on the Governor’s road map to recovery. While there is a push in San Diego County to reopen the economy, widespread testing capacity must be a priority for all communities to ensure that we re-open responsibly and safely. To that end, we are proud to announce two (2) testing sites in the heart of our community. **Both sites require an appointment.** Results usually within forty-eight (48) hours.

- **Euclid Medical Center (drive-up testing):** This site can manage up to 50 appointments on their testing days. For an appointment, please dial 2-1-1. For more options on contacting 2-1-1, please visit <https://211sandiego.org/contacts/>
- **Tubman-Chavez Community Center (State-operated, walk-up site for residents without cars):** This site can manage up to 132 appointments on their testing days. For an appointment, please visit: <https://lhi.care/covidtesting>



## Food Security and Economic Resources

- **San Diego Hip Hop Health and Wellness 5K and Festival** will have three (3) meal distributions on Friday, May 22. Please see flyer for locations and times.
- **San Diego City College** has CARES Act Grants available for eligible students. Deadline to apply is May 25. For more information, please visit: <http://www.sdcity.edu/students/services/cares/index.aspx>
- **Disaster Relief Assistance for Immigrants (DRAI).** For more information and to apply, please see links below.

For Spanish:

<https://www.jfssd.org/drai-project/>

For English:

<https://www.jfssd.org/drai-project/#english>

May 18th-22nd

FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

FREE

San Diego Hip Hop Health & Wellness 5K & Festival

FREE

San Diego Strike Force

FREE

**American Legion, Post 310**  
Address: 465 47th St. San Diego, CA 92102  
Day/Time: M/W/F 11am-1pm

**New Paradise Baptist Church**  
Address: 420 68th St. San Diego, CA 92114  
Day/Time: M/W/F 12pm-2pm

**NU Life His Way**  
Address: 435 South 35th St San Diego, CA 92113  
2nd Location: 3504 Ocean View Blvd. 92113  
Day/Time: M/W/F 1pm-3pm

**Volunteers**  
Please confirm at: [1904Volunteers@gmail.com](mailto:1904Volunteers@gmail.com)



How to Access Financial Assistance for Childcare Expenses

There is financial assistance available until June 30, 2020 for essential workers and the at-risk population. For a list of providers, email [myreferral@ymca.org](mailto:myreferral@ymca.org) or call 1-800-481-2151. Having a provider will expedite the approval for this subsidy.

To apply, please visit: <https://www.sandiegoforeverychild.org/covid19/>  
Questions? Email: [Childcareresourceservice@ymca.org](mailto:Childcareresourceservice@ymca.org)

### ESSENTIAL WORKERS & AT-RISK POPULATIONS CAN NOW ACCESS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CHILD CARE SERVICES THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020

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San Diego County's two Alternative Payment Program agencies, Child Development Associates and YMCA Childcare Resource Service, are working together to support essential workers and at-risk populations with financial assistance for child care services.

Are you an **essential worker** or part of the **at-risk population**\* during the COVID-19 state of emergency?

You can now access financial assistance for child care services until June 30, 2020.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:**

An **essential worker** as defined by the state of California.  
*Review list of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers.*

If the family includes a two-parent household, both parents/caregivers must either be essential workers or the other parent must be unable to provide care for their children due to incapacitation.

The family is **not completing their work remotely**.

The family **requires child care to perform their essential work**.

Families who meet these requirements are eligible and may receive financial assistance for child care services through June 30.

Families can apply online at:  
<http://www.sandiegoforeverychild.org/covid19/>

For questions, email:  
[childcareresourceservice@ymca.org](mailto:childcareresourceservice@ymca.org)

Families will be contacted by YMCA or CDA within three business days of receiving their application.

Please contact the Child Care Referral Line at 1-800-481-2151 or by email at [myreferral@ymca.org](mailto:myreferral@ymca.org) to get a list of child care providers. Having a provider will speed up your approval for child care subsidy.

\*At-Risk Populations include: children at risk of abuse, neglect, or exploitation; children eligible through Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children; families experiencing homelessness, or children of domestic violence survivors.

### LOS TRABAJADORES ESENCIALES Y LAS POBLACIONES EN RIESGO AHORA PUEDEN ACCEDER A FONDOS PARA EL CUIDADO INFANTIL HASTA EL 30 DE JUNIO DE 2020

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Las dos agencias de programas de pago alternativo del condado de San Diego, Child Development Associates y YMCA Childcare Resource Service, están trabajando juntos para proporcionar asistencia financiera a los trabajadores esenciales de cuidado infantil y las poblaciones en riesgo.

¿Es usted un **trabajador esencial** o parte de la **población en riesgo**\* durante el estado de emergencia de COVID-19?

Ahora puede acceder a fondos de emergencia para servicios de cuidado infantil hasta el 30 de Junio del 2020.

**REQUISITOS INCLUYEN:**

Un **trabajador esencial** según lo definido por el estado de California.  
*Revisar lista de Trabajadores Esenciales de Infraestructura Crítica.*

Si la familia incluye un hogar de dos padres, ambos padres/ cuidadores deben ser trabajadores esenciales o el otro padre no debe poder cuidar al niño debido a la incapacitación.

La familia **no esta completando su trabajo de forma remota**.

La familia **requiere cuidado de niños para realizar su trabajo esencial**.

Las familias que cumplen con estos requisitos son elegibles y pueden recibir servicios de cuidado infantil de emergencia hasta el 30 de Junio de 2020.

Familias pueden completar su solicitud en línea:  
<http://www.sandiegoforeverychild.org/covid19/>

Para preguntas, envíenos un correo electrónico:  
[childcareresourceservice@ymca.org](mailto:childcareresourceservice@ymca.org)

YMCA o CDA se comunicarán con las familias dentro de los tres días hábiles después de recibir su solicitud.

Favor de contactar la línea de Referencia de Cuidado Infantil al 1-800-481-2151 o por correo electrónico a [myreferral@ymca.org](mailto:myreferral@ymca.org) para obtener una lista de proveedores de cuidado infantil. Tener un proveedor acelerará su aprobación para el subsidio de cuidado infantil.

\*Poblaciones en riesgo incluyen: niños en riesgo de abuso, negligencia o explotación; niños elegibles a través del Emergency Child Care Bridge Program para niños adoptivos; familias sin hogar o hijos de sobrevivientes de violencia doméstica.

#POWERHOUR

Join this important conversation on local surveillance and why it is important to have oversight of these tools.

Sincerely,

Councilmember, Fourth Council District

# #POWERHOUR

Building trust in our communities through transparent and responsible oversight.

## RSVP AT [PANASO.ORG/JOIN](https://panaso.org/join)

VIA FACEBOOK LIVE & ZOOM

### Thursday May 21st

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Monica Montgomery  
San Diego City Council Member

Geneviève Jones-Wright  
PANA Legal Director

Lilly Irani  
UC San Diego Associate Professor

Jesse Marx  
Voice of San Diego Associate Editor

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