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March 23, 2020: Daily COVID-19 News Update

Dear Community Members,

In an effort to make information more readily available, my office is compiling a list of local eateries in District 1 that are fulfilling delivery and pick-up orders. To help support your favorite local businesses, please email my communications director, Moriah Gaynor, at mgaynor@sandiego.gov with the names, hours of operation, and a quick note if they are doing delivery, pickup, or both of some of your D1 favorites!

Also, please visit www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd1/news for a PDF version of this email. As a PDF, you will be able to download and zoom on this update.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara Bry".

Council President Pro Tem

Since my last update, here's what you need to know.

Federal News

Phase 3 Funding Deal Fails to Pass Senate

Sunday night the Phase 3 bill did not meet the 60-votes required threshold to advance the Senate. Negotiations continue and House Democrats will continue working on their bill.

Article [here](#).

State News

Clarification on "Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers"

Clarification on "essential critical infrastructure workers" as it relates to the governor's stay at home order can be found [here](#).

3/22 California Secures Presidential Major Disaster Declaration to Support State's COVID-19 Emergency Response

Governor Gavin Newsom today announced that President Donald Trump has approved California's request, submitted earlier today, for a presidential Major Disaster Declaration to

bolster California's COVID-19 emergency response efforts.

The Major Disaster Declaration makes federal funding available to state, tribal and local governments for emergency protective measures, including direct federal assistance, and makes funding available for crisis counseling for impacted individuals.

The full press release can be found [here](#).

3/21 Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order to Fight the COVID-19 Surge

Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order that expands the state's response to the COVID-19 outbreak. The order gives the state the ability to increase the health care capacity in clinics, mobile health care units and adult day health care facilities. It also allows local governments more flexibility to utilize the skills of retired employees and reinforces the importance of the delivery of food, medicine and emergency supplies.

The full press release can be found [here](#).

3/21 Health Care Delivery System Strengthened to Respond to COVID-19

Governor Gavin Newsom directed more than \$42 million in emergency funding to expand California's health care infrastructure and secure equipment and services to support California's response to COVID-19.

These funds will be used to lease and operate two facilities and to expand the state's hospital capacity, order medical equipment from the Strategic National Stockpile, remove barriers to telehealth services for 22 million Californians.

The full press release can be found [here](#).

3/20 Vote-by-Mail Options Expanded and Deadlines for Presidential Primary Canvass Extended

Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order to permit vote-by-mail procedures to be used in three upcoming special elections.

The order also extends the deadlines for ballot counting, tabulation, and other responsibilities related to the official canvass of California's Presidential Primary Election, and suspended the timeframes for public hearings required by political subdivisions that are in the process of changing from an at-large method of election to district elections.

The full press release can be found [here](#).

County News

Current Cases in San Diego County

As of 5 p.m. 3/23:

- Total Cases in San Diego County: 230
 - 10-19 years: 3 case
 - 20-29 years: 53 cases
 - 30-39 years: 63 cases
 - 40-49 years: 41 cases
 - 50-59 years: 32 cases
 - 60-69 years: 14 cases
 - 70-79 years: 18 cases

- 80+ years: 6 cases
- Age unknown: 1 case
- Hospitalized Cases: 37
- Intensive Care Cases: 18
- Deaths: 1

Source [here](#).

City News

All City-Owned Beaches, Parks, Boardwalks and Trails Closed

After a crowded day on Saturday, public parking lots at our parks, trails, beaches and bays were closed on Sunday. As of Monday afternoon, all parks, trails, beaches, boardwalks (bayside and oceanfront), seawalls and piers are closed to the public to encourage residents to stay home, promote the well-being of our community members and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

You can view the status of City Services [here](#).

Golden Hall and Parts of the Convention Center to Serve Homeless Individuals

San Diego introduced a system-wide coordinated approach to further help sheltered and unsheltered individuals remain healthy during the global pandemic.

Preparations are underway to open the larger areas of Golden Hall and parts of the Convention Center in phases for homeless individuals. The plan will create more space to serve people experiencing homelessness and allow for adequate physical distancing within current shelter facilities.

The two new facilities will be brought online in a phased approach, with the larger areas of Golden Hall first and parts of the Convention Center being opened at a later date.

City officials and regional experts have also identified a system to screen and monitor individuals coming in off the streets, provide the recommended distancing for individuals in shelters, and adequately staff the shelters using a combination of remaining service provider staff and Convention Center employees under the direction of SDHC. Any individual exhibiting symptoms, who is at greater risk of exposure, or part of a vulnerable population will continue to be placed in various hotel and motel rooms for temporary lodging per San Diego County's guidance.

The full press release can be found [here](#).

Development Services Department (DSD) Implements Operational Changes in Response to COVID-19

The City of San Diego DSD is implementing a series of safety protocols to protect customers and employees from the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. These include a new fully electronic permitting process for solar photovoltaic (PV) projects and plans to expand to electronic submittal for all projects in the near future.

The full list of operational changes can be found [here](#).

District News

Torrey Pines Golf Course Temporarily Closed per COVID-19 Order

Beginning on Saturday morning, March 21, all three of the City Golf Course were closed as directed by the City of San Diego in accordance with the governor's stay at home order.

Local Resources

City of San Diego Small Business Relief Fund

The City of San Diego has established a Small Business Relief Fund (SBRF) to provide grants and forgivable or low- to zero-interest-rate loans to eligible small businesses for working capital. The goal of the SBRF is to help businesses retain employees and sustain continuity of business operations impacted by federal, California, San Diego County and local emergency declarations regarding COVID-19. Approximately \$6.1 million is available in the SBRF, which is being administered by the City of San Diego Economic Development Department.

A Small Business Relief Fund Application will be posted in the coming days. The online completion of this form will assist the Economic Development Department staff is assessing the needs of your business and connecting you with the most appropriate resources.

Website [here](#).

City Services Website

You can check the operational status of several city services [here](#).

This includes: Public Safety, Trash Collection, Water, Payments, Parking, Permits, Library, Parks & Recreation, Get It Done, Other City Services, City Public Meetings

Feeding San Diego - Distribution Information

Here is the most up to date list of regional distributions centers

- Central: 3/21/20 | 10:00 AM
 - Labor Council SDCCU Stadium 9449 Friars Rd, San Diego, CA 92108 Northeast Lot
- South: Every Tuesday and Thursday | 8:00 AM
 - Community Through Hope Eucalyptus Park 436 C St, Chula Vista, CA 91910
- North Coastal Every Thursday | 10:00 AM
 - Brother Benno 3260 Production Ave, Oceanside, CA, 92057

You can check here for additional updates: <https://feedingsandiego.org/need-help/food-distributions/>

Feeding San Diego - Volunteer Information

Feeding San Diego not currently hosting volunteers at our distribution center, but several of their agency partners are in need of volunteers.

If you're interested in helping at a distribution sites you can complete [this form](#) and a programs team member will be in touch.

San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce COVID-19 Business Resources

The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce has created [this website](#) as a resource for businesses during COVID-19. Additionally, they have published a [fact sheet](#) on the Families

First Coronavirus Response Act (HR 6201).

Also, if COVID-19 affected your San Diego business, please consider filling out [this short survey](#), created in partnership with San Diego Regional EDC and the San Diego & Imperial SBDC, so we can better understand the impact of this outbreak.

Disaster Distress Helpline and CDC Mental Health Resources

The outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) may be stressful for people. Fear and anxiety about a disease can be overwhelming and cause strong emotions in adults and children. Coping with stress will make you, the people you care about, and your community stronger.

If you or your loved ones need to talk, consider contacting the the Disaster Distress Helpline.

Cal: 1-800-985-5990 or text "TalkWithUs" to 66746 if you are emotional distress from disaster. Open 24/7/365.

Additional CDC mental health resources [here](#).

Government Resources

CA Dept. of Public Health :

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>

CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

City of San Diego: <https://www.sandiego.gov/coronavirus>

County of San Diego: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/coronavirus.html>

Office of Governor Gavin Newsom: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/>

State of California Official COVID-19 resource: <https://covid19.ca.gov/>

Health Information

Drive-up testing at SDCCU Stadium

Only for patients who get referred by a physician.

211 San Diego

<https://211sandiego.org/>

2-1-1 San Diego in partnership with County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency's Public Health Services department is actively responding to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

For County updates about the coronavirus pandemic and its impact on our community, text COSD COVID19 to 468311.

Scripps Health COVID-19 nurse line

888-261-8431 (7 a.m. to 9 p.m, Mon - Fri, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat - Sun)

Those determined to have a risk of infection might be instructed to go to one of three cabanas located outside our urgent care centers for further testing or if necessary, to an urgent care center or emergency room for further treatment.

The cabanas are located outside of:

- Scripps Clinic Torrey Pines (opening Friday, March 13)
- Scripps Clinic Rancho Bernardo (opening Tuesday, March 17)
- Scripps Coastal Medical Center Vista (opening Tuesday, March 17)

SHARP Healthcare

1-800-827-4277 (Mon - Fri, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat - Sun)

UCSD Health COVID-19 nurse line

800-926-8273 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day)

Patients should not walk in or schedule an appointment online. They should first call the COVID-19 nurse line BEFORE coming to any hospital or clinic. After answering questions, they will be directed to a video visit or a location for the necessary evaluation and testing.

Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry represents San Diego City Council District 1, which includes the communities of Carmel Valley, Del Mar Heights, Del Mar Mesa, La Jolla, Pacific Highlands Ranch, Torrey Hills, Torrey Pines, and University City.