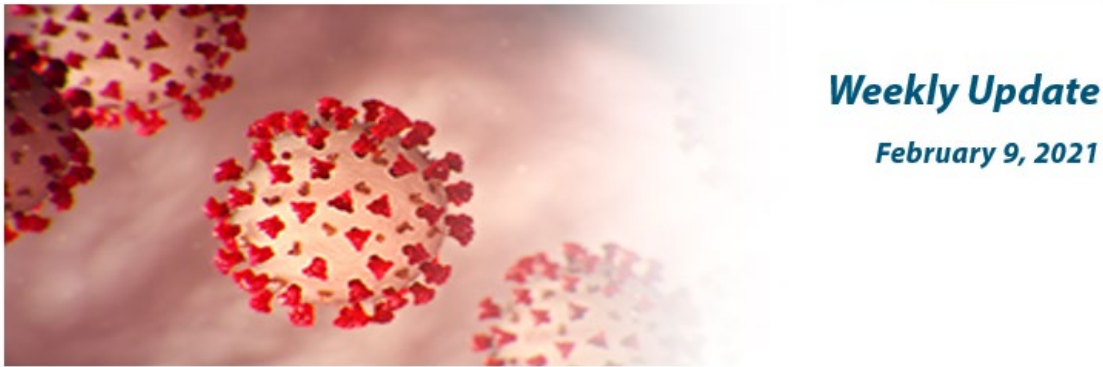


## HOMELESSNESS DURING COVID-19 in San Diego County



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Happy Tuesday!

Please see below for details on the telebriefing and important weekly updates. For more information regarding the Homeless Sector, [visit our website](#).

## TELEBRIEFING INFORMATION

The next telebriefing will be held **THIS Friday, February 12th.**

**Time:** 11:30AM-12:30PM

**Link:** <https://zoom.us/j/698863520>

**Call:** 1 (669) 900-6833

**Meeting ID:** 698 863 520

[Click here to submit your questions 24 hours before the telebriefing!](#)

# Focus of the Week

We will be focusing on homelessness related results from the administered County-wide survey.

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## PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDANCE

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### Public Health Order Updates

[View the latest guidance for COVID-19 in the Public Health Order.](#)

**(Effective February 6, 2021)**

- **Amended Section 11a:**
  - With the exception of places of worship which in addition to the listed sector activities are allowed to operate indoor at 25% capacity with singing and chanting being prohibited during indoor services.

#### **Public Health Officials Lift Regional Stay Home Order for All Regions:**

- Conditions are improving statewide, allowing most counties to return to the most strict (Purple) Tier of Blueprint for a Safer Economy
    - The County of San Diego is currently in the purple tier
  - With the pandemic far from over, Californians are urged to wear masks, limit mixing, and get vaccinated when eligible.
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## DATA

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## Updated Data on People Experiencing Homelessness

The County provides weekly statistics specifically related to people who are experiencing homelessness.

[Click here](#) to view the data shared on **February 3, 2021**.



## Coronavirus Triggers Dashboard

Please visit the [County of San Diego's Dashboard Website](#) to see the 13 trigger points for modifying the Public Health Order.

Data can be visualized and tracked in real time on the [interactive web-based dashboard](#).

The County of San Diego publishes a [Weekly Surveillance Report](#) on the [www.coronavirus-sd.com](http://www.coronavirus-sd.com) website called "COVID-19 Watch". [Click here](#) to register and receive the weekly Tuesday updates.



## COVID-19 Case Rates by Zip Code

The County of San Diego released a [COVID-19 dashboard](#) that allows you to view case rates in the region by zip code and municipality. This dashboard is updated every Thursday.

# VACCINATION INFORMATION



## COVID-19 Vaccine Webpage

The County of San Diego created a [webpage about the COVID-19 vaccine](#). Here you can learn more about vaccine safety, phases for administration, and more.



## \*New - Common Questions About COVID-19 Vaccinations

[Click here](#) to see County Public Health Officer Wilma Wooten, M.D., M.P.H. answer some of the most common questions about vaccines.



## \*New - COVID-19 Vaccine Presentations

The *Live Well San Diego* Speaker's Bureau provides **FREE** presentations delivered by volunteer medical professionals, including doctors and nurses, who are subject matter experts. Fill out an [online interest form](#) on our *Live Well San Diego* website to request a presentation.



## Know Your Phase for the COVID-19 Vaccine

[My Turn](#) is where you can find out if it's your turn to get vaccinated and schedule vaccination appointments.

Please click to view the updated [Know Your Phase handout](#).



## Notice to Homeless Outreach Partners - Eligibility for COVID-19 Vaccine 1a Category

If your Agency has teams that are actively conducting street outreach to unsheltered individuals, utilizing Universal Screening Tool, and delivering Hygiene Kits they may be eligible to receive COVID-19 Vaccine in 1a category (public health related work).

Please visit [www.coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine](http://www.coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine) and click Information for Healthcare Professionals. There is a link to register for appointments with instructions including photo ID + proof of profession which can be a letter from your organization/paycheck stub/profession license etc.

**At the vaccination site you will need to answer “Yes” to a question if you are health care staff (per vaccine criteria you are classified under public/community health staff).**

For additional information on vaccine phases please see the [Vaccine Phase Flyer](#).



## **Medical and Non-Medical Volunteers are Needed at Vaccination Super Stations**

You can find more information about the volunteer roles that are available in the links below.

[Sharp Healthcare – South Bay Super Station](#)

[UC San Diego Health – Petco Park Super Station](#)



## **CDC FAQ Document on COVID-19 Vaccination for People Experiencing Homelessness**

The CDC issued a new [FAQ document titled: COVID-19 Vaccination for People Experiencing Homelessness](#).

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## **RESOURCES**



### **Telehealth Provider to Access Temporary Lodging**

The County of San Diego provides temporary lodging for persons experiencing homeless (PEH) who need to isolate or quarantine due to COVID-19. Within the context of COVID-19, high-risk persons experiencing homelessness may be placed in temporary lodging if they have conditions that put them at risk for complications in the event they contracted COVID-19.

More information is provided in the attached [flyer](#).

If anyone encounters someone displaying symptoms, they can call the Temporary Lodging Line **(858-715-2350)**.

For any questions, please reach out to Matt Heffernan at [Matt.Heffernan@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Matt.Heffernan@sdcounty.ca.gov).

Please [click here](#) for more information on the Temporary Lodging Program in English and Spanish.



## **\*New - The Board of Supervisors has expanded COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program**

The County of San Diego Emergency Rental Assistance Program provides grants of up to \$3,000 to cover rent for eligible households financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit [www.sdhcd.org](http://www.sdhcd.org) to apply.

The application is available through the link above in English, Spanish, Arabic, and Tagalog. **If you need assistance with the application in any other languages, please call (858) 694-4801.**



**Get Us PPE**

## **Get Us PPE | San Diego PPE Donation**

Get Us PPE is the largest national organization getting personal protective equipment (PPE such as masks, gloves, and isolation gowns) to frontline workers who need it most. As a nonprofit, they obtain PPE via donations and makers, then deliver it to under-resourced facilities at no cost to them. Fair and equitable distribution is vital to their mission.

They have recently received a generous donation of KN95s and 3-ply masks totaling nearly one million pieces of PPE in the San Diego region! In order to allocate this PPE supply as quickly as possible, they ask that you complete our request form, [found here](#). Currently, they are distributing masks, but please complete the form based on all of your PPE needs so it can inform allocation of future donations.



Get Us PPE can't guarantee that they'll be able to fulfill every PPE request and very much wishes that they could, and their supply-demand matching team is working around the clock to address shortages wherever they can. Filling out the request form will get them one step closer to finding you a PPE match.



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## **COVID-19 Health Equity Pilot Projects**

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) will administer \$5M to ~ 16-30 community-based organizations (CBO) led by and serving communities facing inequities in COVID-19 impacts and infection. CBOs will use the funding for pilot projects to reduce underlying inequities in the social determinants of health that have contributed to disproportionate harm from the Coronavirus among certain communities.

**Apply by Tuesday, March 2 at 5:00 PM [here](#).**



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## **North County Rental Assistance**

The Community Resource Center (CRC) has partnered with the cities of Encinitas, Carlsbad and Oceanside to provide rental assistance to help prevent eviction and homelessness.

Visit the [CRC website](#) for more information.



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## **SBSCS Rental and Utility Assistance Resources**

Get the latest information on specific SBSCS [programs and services](#) as well as efforts to support the wider community and additional resources as we monitor the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts.

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## San Diego Food Assistance

[Click here](#) to view the list of San Diego Food Bank Super Pantries for the month of February.

Super Pantries are food distribution hubs located across San Diego County that offer both contactless “drive thru” and “walk-up” food distribution services.



## County of San Diego - Request for Proposals for Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus

County of San Diego Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus (ESG-CV): Emergency Shelter Renovation and Emergency Shelter Operations.

The County of San Diego is seeking proposals to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus among individuals and families experiencing homelessness and at-risk of homelessness. The intent is to mitigate the impacts created by Coronavirus within the ESG jurisdiction of San Diego County, with an emphasis on serving those areas within the Urban County (the emergency shelter may be located in any region within the County but must serve those experiencing homelessness in the Urban County).

Eligible activities include:

- Emergency Shelter Renovation
- Emergency Shelter Operations (including hotel/motel vouchers)

Funding Available: \$4.8 million

**Proposals Due: THIS Friday, February 12, 2021**

[Click here](#) to view the solicitation.

Please direct any questions to Holly Lam at [Holly.Lam@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Holly.Lam@sdcounty.ca.gov).





## COVID-19 Testing

Click to view the [Testing Postcard](#), a tool for stakeholders to communicate when and how to get tested.

For information on COVID-19 testing, testing locations, and scheduling, please visit the [County of San Diego Testing Webpage](#).

For **FREE** COVID-19 testing, [click here](#) to scan the QR code to find available testing.



## Homelessness Webinars, Recordings, and Articles

### Upcoming Webinar:

**National Alliance to End Homelessness**

**March 8th-10th: [Ending Homelessness Virtual Conference](#)**

### **HUD Exchange:**

- [COVID-19 Vaccine Update for Homeless Service Providers](#)
- [Building Vaccine Confidence](#)

### **CDC:**

#### **COVID-19 Vaccines: New CDC Guidance Released for People Experiencing Homelessness**

- The CDC has recently published documents that can provide answers to vaccinating people experiencing homelessness and providers who serve them:
  - [COVID-19 Vaccination for People Experiencing Homelessness: Frequently Asked Questions](#)
  - [COVID-19 Vaccination Communication Toolkit](#)

- [Interim Considerations for COVID-19 Vaccination of Healthcare Personnel and Long-Term Care Facility Residents](#)

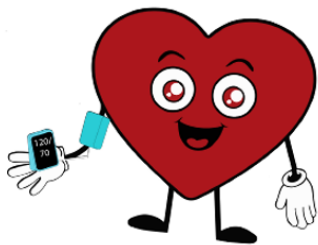
**Articles:**

[San Diego River Park Foundation, PATH team up for homeless encampment outreach](#)

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

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### Love Your Heart Week

[Love Your Heart Day 2021](#) - February 11, 2021

February is American Heart Month! To promote American Heart Month the County of San Diego would like your organization to get involved in Love Your Heart 2021. Love Your Heart is more important than ever as high blood pressure is the most common underlying condition identified in San Diego County's COVID-19 associated deaths. **Love Your Heart week is this week- Monday, February 8th to Sunday, February 14th.**

Your organization can participate in Love Your Heart by promoting Love Your Heart @ Home. Love Your Heart @ Home is a new component to the county's initiative to promote heart health. The Live Well San Diego will be hosting virtual event and activities for the month of February. Visit [LoveYourHeartSD.org](http://LoveYourHeartSD.org) for a promotional tool kit and more information!

Attention local small business owners – you may be eligible for financial relief from the County if you suffered economic losses due to COVID-19.

County Relief Program for Small Businesses & Restaurants

[www.sandiegocounty.gov/stimulusgrant/](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/stimulusgrant/)

### Small Business Stimulus Grants for San Diego County

[Small Business Stimulus Grants for San Diego County – Application Now Open](#)

The Small Business Stimulus Grant Program is funded by Board of Supervisors allocated by federal CARES Act funding. The grant funding provides economic assistance to help businesses and nonprofit entities impacted by COVID-19. Financial assistance will be allocated to eligible, qualified small businesses and

nonprofit entities with final award recommendations made by individual district offices based on the availability of funds, program guidelines, and the submission of all required information and supporting documentation.



**Text COSD COVID19 to 468-311 to get text alert updates.**

**For local up-to-date information, please visit:**

**[WWW.CORONAVIRUS-SD.COM](http://WWW.CORONAVIRUS-SD.COM)**

Local monitoring information is updated daily around 4:00pm.

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**[Click here](#) to view previous Homeless Sector Updates.**

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Thank you all, and please let us know how we can support you. Feel free to submit questions through: [COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov)

