

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 November telebriefing will be held on November 13th.

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!](#)

Recap from Last Week's Telebriefing

We focused on the highlights of new programs and initiatives around the County that address homeless services. We heard from multiple County partners such as the City of La Mesa, DocFully, Community Through Hope, and the City of Encinitas HOPE program.

Last Week's Telebriefing Guest Speakers

We would like to give a special thanks to our guest speakers who joined our discussion last week about highlights from new programs and initiatives that address homeless services around the County:

Carlo Tomaino, Assistant City Manager with City of La Mesa,
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Jacques Stroud, CEO of Docfully, Stroudjacques@gmail.com

Rosy Vasquez, Executive Director of Community Through Hope,
rosy@communitythroughhope.org

Steven Gonzalez, SWIII HHSA Homeless Services, City of Encinitas HOPE,
Steven.Gonzales@sdcounty.ca.gov

Resources Shared from Last Week's Guest Speakers



City of La Mesa - HOME

The City of La Mesa Homeless Outreach Mobile Engagement (HOME) program connects with people experiencing homelessness to offer help and hope. The HOME program is modeled after a 31 year old program in Eugene, Oregon, called "CAHOOTS" (Crisis Assistance Helping Out On The Streets).

[Click here](#) to view the HOME presentation that Carlo Tomaino provided during our telebriefing last week.



Docfully

[DocFully](#) provides telemedicine service to recipients of Medicaid and Medicare. They are the provider of accessible healthcare through the use of technology and a caring staff on a secured platform.



Community Through Hope

[Community Through Hope](#) is excited to be able to bring mobile showers for the unsheltered to the South Bay for the South Bay. [Project ReFresh](#) will allow for the unsheltered to have weekly local access to showers, hygiene bags and clothing. Project ReFresh is about affirming the belief that regardless if you are sheltered or unsheltered we all deserve to feel and be ReFreshed.



City of Encinitas - HOPE

The City of Encinitas collaborates with many agencies and non-profit organizations to provide resources to those experiencing homelessness, as well as develop solutions for reducing or preventing homelessness.

[Click here](#) for more information about the City of Encinitas Homeless Outreach Program for Empowerment (HOPE).

PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDANCE



Public Health Order Updates

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

(Effective October 10, 2020)

- **Amended Section 2:**
 - All “gatherings,” as defined in section 15 below, **that do not comply with the requirements of the California Department of Public Health Guidance for Private Gatherings found [here](#)**, are prohibited.
- **Amended Section 7:**
 - Hospitals, healthcare providers, pharmacies, commercial testing laboratories, and any other setting conducting testing shall report all positive and non-positive (i.e., negative, indeterminate, and specimen unsatisfactory) test results from nucleic acid amplification tests, antibody tests, and antigen diagnostic tests for SARS-CoV-2 to the Public Health Officer immediately after such results are received.

DATA



Updated Data on People Experiencing Homelessness

On Fridays, the County provides statistics specifically related to people who are experiencing homelessness.

[Click here](#) to view the data shared **October 23, 2020**.



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 website called "COVID-19 Watch". [Click here](#) to register and receive the weekly Tuesday updates.

RESOURCES



FREE Flu Shots in San Diego County

The influenza vaccine is now available at doctors' offices and pharmacies throughout San Diego County and is covered by medical insurance. People who do not have healthcare coverage can get vaccinated at one of the County's six Public Health Centers or a local community clinic. The County is hosting **FREE** flu shot events from **October 22nd through November 3rd**. To learn more please visit [our website](#).

[Click here to view the QR code](#) that provides information on other sites to receive immunizations.

[Flu Clinic 2020 Calendar - English](#)

[Flu Clinic 2020 Calendar - Spanish](#)

[Flu FAQs](#)

Save the Date: Two upcoming events planned to discuss the flu during COVID-19 for African American/Black and Latinx communities. More information to come.

- **Flu During COVID-19 African American/Black Panel Discussion**
 - **Thursday November 5th at 6:00-7:15.**
- ***Platica Sobre La Gripe Durante La Pandemia COVID-19*** (Event in Spanish with English interpretation)
 - **Thursday November 12th at 4:00-5:15**



Telehealth Provider to Access Temporary Lodging

A new contracted telehealth service has been developed that will make it easier for Homeless Outreach Workers to place individuals in isolation/quarantine should they need it.

If a team on the ground runs into someone displaying symptoms, they just need to call the Temporary Lodging Line **(858-715-2350)** and from there, they will be connected with the telehealth provider for an assessment. This is for instances when our Public Health Nurses are not immediately available to the team, but when they are working with a Homeless Outreach Team, they can still refer to the Temporary Lodging Line following their assessment.

For any questions, please reach out to Matt Heffernan at Matt.Heffernan@sdcounty.ca.gov.

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



***New - CDBG and CARES Act RFQ Deadline Extended**

The deadline to submit FY 2022 CDBG and CARES Act RFQ responses has been extended to October 30, 2020 at 5:00pm.

For more information, please [click here](#).



***New - Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) Training Sessions**

CSH is offering three sessions to help you better serve persons experiencing homelessness. Please [click here](#) for more details.



Homeless Shelters Planning for Winter

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has included a section on guidance for homeless shelters planning for winter - [Homelessness and COVID-19 FAQs](#)



San Diego Latino Health Coalition

COVID-19 Virtual Community Education Session- San Diego Latino Health Coalition will be discussing what each Resource Center offers and how to get assistance



during COVID-19. **The event will take place TODAY - Tuesday, October 27th from 5pm - 6pm.**

[Register for the event in English](#)

[Register for the event in Spanish](#)



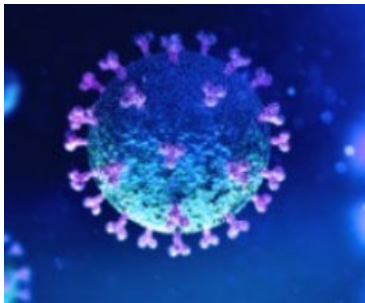
COVID-19 Testing

The [Testing Schedule](#) website now shows which sites do not require appointment.

A **new testing site** opened Sunday 10/4/20 in Chula Vista located at the South Chula Vista Branch Library, 389 Orange Ave, 91911.

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.



COVID-19 Positive Recovery Stipend Program

Through the COVID-19 Positive Recovery Stipend Program, the County will provide a stipend of \$1,000, in the form of a paper check, for employed individuals who are confirmed COVID-19 positive and not otherwise eligible for paid time-off or State unemployment benefits. To learn more please visit [the website](#).



Request for Quotation (RFQ)

The County of San Diego HHS, Community Action Partnership, Eligibility Operations, has posted an RFQ requesting proposals to provide **services for Community Needs Assessment Coordination Services** for the period of Nov 2020 through May 2021. You will need to log into Buynet to apply to the procurement for RFQ 10572. **Proposals are due by October 28 at 5:00 pm.** For more information, please [click here](#).



San Diego County Employees' Charitable Organization (CECO)

The San Diego County Employees' Charitable Organization (CECO) is now accepting applications for 2021 grants. **Applications must be received by Monday, November 2, 2020.** For instructions and the application, [click here](#).



*New - Homelessness Webinars, Recordings, and Articles

Federal Resources:

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) SNAPS:

[Winter Shelter Guidance](#)

[Mainstream Housing Choice Vouchers](#)

- [Alliance's Blog Post on Using the Vouchers](#)

[COVID-19 Homeless System Response: Winter Planning Resources](#)

[Rehousing Out of Non-congregate Shelter: Maximizing Placements](#)

[Framework for Enhancing Safety in Your Homeless Response System](#)

[Rapid Rehousing Ramp-Up](#) - Includes considerations based on subpopulation

[Remote Supervision Tips for Homeless Service Providers](#)

CDC:

[HHS/CDC Temporary Halt in Residential Evictions to Prevent the Further Spread of COVID-19: Frequently Asked Questions](#)

FEMA:

[Recovery Resource Roadmaps](#)

[COVID-19 Housing Resource Roadmap](#) - Includes flowcharts for consideration of use of funds in four topic areas.

[COVID-19 Supplemental Resources](#)

Date Extended: File Stimulus Payments for People Experiencing Homelessness:

The deadline to file for an Economic Impact Payment (stimulus check) among people who don't file taxes has been extended to **November 21, 2020**. The resources below can aid in this filing process.

- [Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info Here](#)
- [A Step-by-Step Guide to Using the IRS Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info Here Tool to Get an Economic Impact Payment](#)

Upcoming webinars:

HUD Exchange:

10/29: [Addressing Unsheltered Homelessness](#)

View and download past recorded webinars:

[United States Interagency Council on Homelessness](#)

[National Alliance to End Homelessness](#)

Articles:

[Press Release for New Federal Strategic Plan to End Homelessness](#)

- [Expanding the Toolbox: The Whole-of-Government Response to Homelessness](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION



Halloween Guidance During the COVID-19 Pandemic

To minimize the spread of COVID-19 and ensure children have a fun, safe Halloween, the County of San Diego offers [guidance](#) for the most common activities to protect you and your loved ones. View the County [webpage](#) and this [presentation](#) for more information.

For Dia de los Muertos, please view the [State Guidance](#).



Voter Registration Toolkit

Click here to view and download information



*New - Voting During COVID-19

Voting by mail is simple, safer, and secure! It's safer to mark your ballot at home to avoid the risk of contracting COVID-19. You can learn how to vote from home at www.sdvote.com. If you cannot mail your ballot one week before election day, you can drop it off at any of the [drop off locations](#). Voting by mail is safe and you can [track your ballot](#)!

[FREE Ride to the Polls on November 3rd!](#)

[Click here](#) to view the County of San Diego Registrar of Voters webpage.



Live Well Advance - Save the Date!

The [Fifth Annual Live Well Advance Stronger Together, Now More Than Ever](#) is going virtual! Join us on **Thursday, December 3, 2020** to learn and grow with more than 35 virtual Breakout Sessions including: Equity and Social Justice, Climate Change, Workplace Wellness, Personal Wellness, COVID-19 Topics, Public Health Equity, and many more.

Registration will be available beginning mid-October.



We Want to Hear From You!

Be a part of our upcoming [10th Anniversary Edition of the Live Well San Diego Annual Impact Report!](#) Submit success stories and testimonials that demonstrate the impact your organization has made towards a healthy, safe and thriving region using the link in the chat.



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

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

WWW.CORONAVIRUS-SD.COM

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

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

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



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