

## 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, 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!](#)

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## Focus of the Week

**New Program Updates.**

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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 November 3, 2020)**

- **Amended Section 3:**
    - Updates for school reporting
  - The [Isolation](#) and [Quarantine](#) Orders have also been updated to align with the new CDC exposure definition.
  - **\*More to come.**
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## 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 on **November 6, 2020**.

### New Risk Level

COUNTY RISK LEVEL	NEW CASES Per 100,000 per week	POSITIVE TESTS Positive rate
<b>WIDEOPEN</b> Most non-essential services and businesses operations are closed.	More than 7	More than 8%
<b>RESTRICTED</b> Some non-essential services and businesses operations are closed.	4-7 5.8	5-8% 3.8
<b>MODERATE</b> Some business operations are open with restrictions.	1 - 3.9	2 - 4.9%
<b>LOW</b> Most business operations are open with restrictions.	Less than 1	Less than 2%

## Blueprint for a Safer Economy

As of November 10, 2020, the County has moved to the **PURPLE, most restrictive tier**.

- **Unadjusted Case Rate: 10.0**
- **Adjusted Case Rate: 8.9**
- **Testing Positivity: 2.6%**
- **Health Equity Metric: 6.5%**
- [CDPH County Monitoring List](#)



## 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.

## RESOURCES

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### **\*New - People Experiencing Homelessness - Guides in Multiple Languages**

Resources related to Disaster preparedness for people experiencing homelessness:

- [Chinese](#)
- [English](#)
- [Filipino](#)
- [Hmong](#)
- [Korean](#)
- [Spanish](#)
- [Vietnamese](#)



### **\*New - Updated Universal Screening Tool**

The [Universal Screening Tool](#) and [Guide](#) have been updated.

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## 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](mailto:Matt.Heffernan@sdcounty.ca.gov).

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



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## \*New - Zoning Ordinance Amendments Related to Shelter Facilities in Unincorporated Areas of the County

There are upcoming opportunities for public input on Zoning Ordinance Amendments to facilitate the development of a permanent ordinance which will continue the County's efforts to assist persons experiencing homelessness. This will lessen the effects of homelessness on County facilities, as well as users of these facilities in the unincorporated areas of San Diego County. **This is for the unincorporated areas of the County.** Please visit the [project website](#) or view the [flyer](#) for further project related information.

The two engagements will cover the same information. Please attend a date and time that works best for

you. To participate in the engagement, click on the Microsoft Teams hyperlink, or use a phone to call in.

**November 17, 2020, 5 pm to 7 pm**

- **Link:** [Microsoft Teams Hyperlink](#)
- **Phone:** [+1 619-343-2539,,433867061#](#) United States, San Diego
- Phone Conference ID: 433 867 061#

**December 2, 2020, 5 pm to 7 pm**

- **Link:** [Microsoft Teams Hyperlink](#)
- **Phone:** [+1 619-343-2539,,294169514#](#) United States, San Diego
- Phone Conference ID: 294 169 514#



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## 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.



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## Homeless Shelters Planning for Winter

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has included a section on guidance for homeless shelters planning for the winter season.

[Homelessness and COVID-19 FAQs](#)

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## **\*New - Flu Shots in San Diego County**

Still need a flu shot? Click the [QR code](#) to find out how to get one. To learn more please visit [our website](#) and the [Resources and Materials page](#).

[FAQ Sheet - English](#)

[FAQ Sheet - Spanish](#)

[Flu vs COVID-19 - English and Spanish](#)

**NEW** flyer from the CDC: [Who Needs a Flu Vaccine?](#)



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## **Community Conversation: What you need to know about the flu during the COVID-19 pandemic**

**Save the date: Thursday, November 12th from 4 pm to 5:15 pm**

The Mexican Consulate in collaboration with partners invite you to a community conversation on what you need to know about the flu during the COVID-19 pandemic. There will be an opportunity to ask questions to a medical expert and public health professional. The event will be held in Spanish via Facebook Live [www.facebook.com/consulmexsd/](http://www.facebook.com/consulmexsd/) with interpretation in English by calling the toll free number: 1-888-947-3988 Conference Pin: 8706039. We invite you to participate!

**Reserve la fecha: Jueves, 12 de noviembre de 4 pm a 5:15 p.m.**

El Consulado de México en colaboración con socios lo invita a una plática comunitaria acerca de lo que necesita saber sobre la gripe durante la pandemia de COVID-19. Tendrá la oportunidad de preguntar acerca de la gripe y el COVID-19 a un experto médico y una profesional de salud pública. El evento será en español en vivo a través de

Facebook [www.facebook.com/consulmexsd/](https://www.facebook.com/consulmexsd/) con interpretación en inglés llamando al teléfono gratuito 1-888-947-3988 Clave: 8706039 ¡Los invitamos a participar!



## \*New - Meal Distribution

**FREE Meals** - The Ocean Discovery Institute is partnering with Feeding America San Diego to provide free meals to everyone, from 3 pm – 5 pm Monday-Friday until June 2021. Face masks are required. For more information, please click to view the flyers in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).



## \*New - COVID-19 Testing

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

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.

### **COVID-19 Testing Sites Open on Veterans Day:**

[Flyer - English](#)

[Flyer - Spanish](#)



## Cash Grant of up to \$1,000 for Current and Former Foster Youth

Current and former youth in the foster care system are disproportionately being affected by COVID-19. Due to



this, Jack Dorsey, CEO of Twitter, is giving away \$1 Billion in response to the pandemic through the nonprofit Think of Us.

For youth who meet the following criteria, an application can be completed, which is found [here](#).

Youth may be eligible for a **one-time micro cash grant of up to \$1000**, and Think of Us will also **email the youth resources related to their identified needs**. If this funding is depleted, the youth's needs, **not their personal information**, will be shared with additional donors, advocates, and stakeholders who can potentially take action to help.

#### **Additional details:**

- **Eligibility:** Current and former youth from the foster care system, ages 14 through 29 who have spent at least one day in foster care after their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday are eligible to apply for the funding themselves.
- **Cash Use:** This grant is flexible; the program believes that youth know how best to use the funding to support their needs.
- **Getting the Funds:** The funds will be delivered via Western Union, Venmo, Cashapp, Zelle or a way that works best for the youth.
- **Deadline and Award:** **November 18, 2020** is the deadline to apply. The Cash Grant will be awarded by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.



## **CDPH Ridesharing Toolkit**

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) [Ridesharing Toolkit](#) is available to assist partners in communicating how to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 while ridesharing in a private vehicle. This toolkit includes a handout, social media and information for community champions to share.

The CDC has also created a [Carpooling Fact Sheet](#).



## 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](#).



## \*New - Homelessness Webinars, Recordings, and Articles

### Federal Resources:

#### Housing and Urban Development (HUD) SNAPS:

[Winter Shelter Guidance](#)

[Mainstream Housing Choice 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:**

**View and download past recorded webinars:**

[United States Interagency Council on Homelessness](#)

[National Alliance to End Homelessness](#)

**Articles:**

**NEW:** [Response to the COVID-19 pandemic among people experiencing homelessness in congregant living settings in San Diego, CA](#)

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## EMPLOYER INFORMATION



## Employer Playbook for Safe Reopening

Please click the link to view the [COVID-19 Employer Playbook for Safe Reopening](#) where businesses and organizations can learn about:

- How to open safely
- What to do if there is a case of COVID in the workplace
- Enforcement and Compliance
- Worker Education



## COVID-19 Safety Training for Workplace Supervisors and Staff

The Employers course is designed for managers, supervisors, foremen, lead persons, and other people in charge of overseeing other workers or the health and safety of workers. The Workers course is designed for workers who do not fill any kind of supervisory or lead role. You can take these courses for **FREE** by [clicking here](#).

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## GENERAL INFORMATION



### **\*New - All Blood Donations are being Tested for COVID-19 Antibodies**

Since **October 26th**, the San Diego Blood Bank tests all blood donations for SARS-CoV-2 antibodies. You can make an appointment to donate blood at [sandiegobloodbank.org](http://sandiegobloodbank.org).

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## 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.



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## 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](http://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](mailto:COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov)



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