

HOMELESSNESS DURING COVID-19 in San Diego County



Happy Tuesday!

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



Homeless Sector Feedback Form

JUST 3 MORE DAYS!

Your input and feedback is important in helping us better understand and address the needs of San Diego's Homeless Sector.

[Click here to access the form.](#)

Please complete the form by
FRIDAY, JULY 17th!

TELEBRIEFING INFORMATION

When: 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month

Next Date: July 24th

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!](#)

Last Week's Panel Discussion

Thank you so much to those who joined us last week in our discussion about effective outreach practices for engaging youth experiencing homelessness. Special thanks to our speakers below:

Beth Davenport, Chief Operating Officer, The Center, bbarnes@thecentersd.org

Michael Thomas, Youth Member, Urban Street Angels,
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Steven Wells, Protective Services Program Manager, HHSA Child Welfare Services, Steven.Wells@sdcounty.ca.gov

Aimee Cox, Chief Impact Officer, Regional Task Force on the Homeless,
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Amaris Sanchez, Program Coordinator, HHSA Integrative Services,
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Focus and Polling Question Responses

Thank you to those who responded to the focus and polling questions last week.

Focus of the week: Effective outreach practices for engaging youth experiencing homelessness.

Polling Question 1: Do you or your organization work with youth who are homeless (up to the age of 24)?

Results: 85% work somewhat with youth who are homeless.

Polling Question 2: What strategies would be helpful in encouraging young people who are homeless to wear masks and follow social distancing?

Results: The most selected strategy was 'Conversations directly by caseworker/homeless services provider' followed by 'Information included in hygiene kits'

Polling Question 3: What challenges do young people who are homeless face during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Results: 85% of selected responses were 'Access to housing and shelter' followed by 'Hygiene needs', and 'Access to basic needs, such as food'

Polling Question 4: What is the greatest challenge you face when working with young people who are homeless during this pandemic?

Results: The majority of responses selected were a difficulty with 'Desire to engage' and 'Ability to locate' homeless youth.

SHARE YOUR POSITIVE EXPERIENCE

send us your
pictures!



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Send us your photos, quotes, and experiences of how you and/or your community is supporting those who are homeless. Email COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov.

WEEKLY UPDATES



Public Health Officer Order Updates

Following new state guidance, the County will be closing indoor operations for certain sectors **effective July 15th** until further notice, which includes:

- Gyms and fitness centers
- Places of worship
- Personal care services, including nail salons and massage and tattoo parlors
- Hair salons and barbershops
- Indoor malls
- Offices for non-essential sectors.

[View the latest guidance for COVID-19 the order of the health officer and emergency regulations.](#) (Effective July 15, 2020)

[Guidance on Safe Reopening Plan.](#)



Coronavirus Triggers Dashboard

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



California Department of Public Health Q & A Website

The CDPH has updated its [Q&A website](#) to reflect the new state public health officer order announced on July 13th.



Reopening Webpage

Please visit the County of San Diego's [Safe Reopening Webpage](#) for information regarding businesses and activities.



The County to Release Homeless Data on Fridays

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

[Click here](#) to view the data shared July 10, 2020.



Seniors Experiencing Homelessness

If you know a senior that is experiencing homelessness, or is going to be, please [click here](#) to learn about great resources.



Free 24/7 Medi-Nurse Call Line

For those who are uninsured or have Medi-Cal, but don't have a regular doctor, The California Department of Health Care Services has launched an advice line that can connect you with a nurse, day or night, to talk about COVID-19 symptoms and help connect you with local resources in your area.

[Medi-Nurse Line](#): (877) 409-9052

Please note, the 211 Nurse Triage Line has been renamed to "Nurse Help Line".



COVID-19 Testing Information

The County has launched a website that will make it easier for San Diegans to get a COVID-19 test. You can choose a site by [location or day](#) and make an appointment online.

For general questions about COVID-19 or information about community resources, please call 2-1-1.



Resources for Students Experiencing Homelessness

Please click on the links below for resources on youth experiencing homelessness.

[COVID-19 Resources for Students Experiencing Homelessness - English](#)

[COVID-19 Resources for Students Experiencing Homelessness - Spanish](#)

[Barriers to Online Learning](#)

[Virtual Library for College Students](#)



Extended Foster Care

For information regarding Extended Foster Care (EFC), resources, housing, etc. foster youth (current and former) can call the EFC information line at 619-767-5275.



Housing Our Youth

The Board of Supervisors has approved a 2 year pilot program, Housing Our Youth, for care coordination and housing for youth experiencing homelessness.

For any questions about the Housing Our Youth project, please contact Sheena Figueroa at Sheena.Figueroa@sdcounty.ca.gov.



Portable Power Banks

If you work with the unsheltered population and wish to assist in distributing power banks to the customers, please submit a request to us at COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov.

Please note that supplies are limited and we will work with your individual agency to determine best allocation and prevent duplication of efforts.



Live Well San Diego Fitness Challenge

The [2020 Live Well San Diego 5K & Fitness Challenge](#) is going virtual, and it's **FREE!**

FREE registration, **FREE** fitness events, **FREE** race swag (hat – while supplies last!)

The 5K Fitness Challenge will kick-off on **July 13th** and finish on August 16th with a 5K Virtual Race.



Small Business Stimulus Program

The [Small Business Stimulus Grant Program](#) offers financial relief to eligible businesses suffering economic losses due to COVID-19. It's designed to help for-profit and nonprofit businesses.

Please visit the [website](#) for the Small Business Stimulus Grant Program for more information.

If you have any questions about the program, please email stimulusgrant@sdcounty.ca.gov.



Live Well Advance

The virtual Live Well Advance conference requests proposals to present a virtual session on December 3, 2020.

[Please click here](#) for information on the proposals and how to submit the proposals online.



New Homelessness Webinars and Recordings

Upcoming webinars from the [National Alliance to End Homelessness](#):

7/15 - [2020 Nationwide Town Hall on Ending Homelessness](#)

[View and download past recorded webinars here.](#)



How-To Technology Videos

The County of San Diego has created How-To Technology Videos to help teach you and your loved ones how to stay connected and get the things you need using technology, such as your smartphone, tablet or computer.

Stay tuned on our [Live Well @Home website](#) or on our [Live Well San Diego YouTube channel!](#)



Contact Tracing

We now have a [poster](#) and video (in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)) to give you more information about the process for what will happen if you have been identified as a close contact to someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19.



COVID-19 Posters

To request English or Spanish posters for your business, please e-mail COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov with the following details:

- Contact Information (Name, Phone, Email)
- Language materials needed English, Spanish, or both
- Number of requested items
- Address for postal delivery

[Please click here for additional materials and resources.](#)



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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