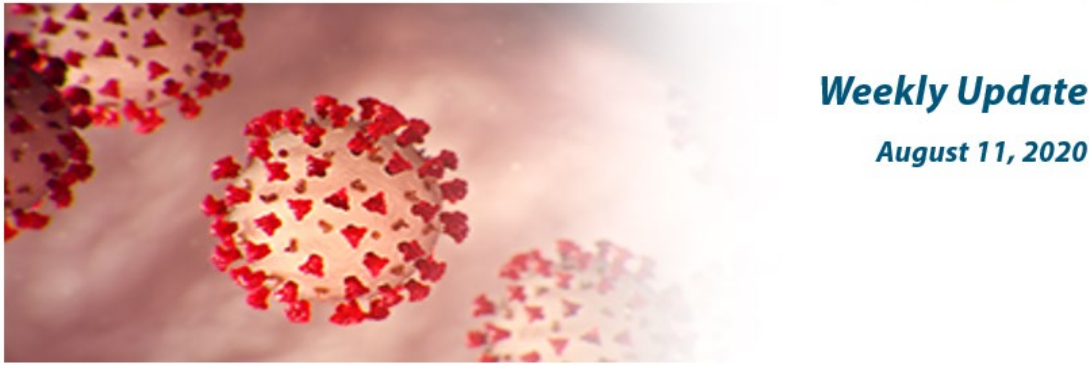


## HOMELESSNESS DURING COVID-19 in San Diego County



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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

**When:** 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month

**TELEBRIEFING THIS FRIDAY AND AUGUST 28th**

September Telebriefings will be on September 10th and September 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!](#)

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## Focus of the Week

Food access for people experiencing homelessness.

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### This Week's Telebriefing Panelists

**Drew Moser**, Executive Director, Lucky Duck Foundation

**Vanessa Ruiz-Moore**, VP of Operations, San Diego Food Bank

**Rosa Vasquez**, Executive Director, Community Through Hope

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### Resources Shared by This Week's Panelists



#### Lucky Duck Foundation

[Click here](#) to find out more information about the Lucky Duck Foundation and the informational meeting on August 18th for homeless outreach organizations to partner on food delivery.

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#### San Diego Food Bank

Take a look at the [Food Programs](#) currently operating during the Coronavirus crisis.

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## PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDANCE

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## Public Health Order Updates

[View the latest guidance for COVID-19 the order of the Health Officer and emergency regulations. \(Effective August 8, 2020\)](#)

- The most recent update made changes to **Section 16ciii for Employers:**
  - Provide notice of the exposure to any employees, and contractors (who regularly work at the workplace), who may have been exposed to COVID19, as stated in the State's COVID-19 Employer Playbook for a Safe Reopening, available at <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/employerplaybook-for-safe-reopening--en.pdf>.
- The **County of San Diego has a Healthy Compliance Call Center** where community members can call **(858) 694-2900** 24 hours/day to report violations to the Health Officer Order.
- The Health Officer Order **requires employers to notify the County of San Diego of employees with COVID-19**. Employers can call **(888) 950-9905**.



## Reopening Webpage

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

## 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 **August 7, 2020**.



## Coronavirus Triggers Dashboard

We have 38% of temporary shelter available for people experiencing homelessness, which means that we are currently exceeding our goal of at least 15%!

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](http://www.coronavirus-sd.com) website called "COVID-19 Watch". [Click here](#) to register and receive the weekly Tuesday updates.

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## RESOURCES



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### KN95 Face Mask

If you are a Homeless Outreach Worker and interested in a KN95 mask, please email [COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:COVID-Homeless@sdcounty.ca.gov).

More information will be given regarding the KN95 face mask at our telebriefing this [Friday, August 14th!](#)



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### 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](mailto: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

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## Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans

Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans cover transportation to all Medi-Cal covered services including Specialty Mental Health, Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System, Denti-Cal, and to the temporary isolation hotels.

The Plans are also able to provide other resources to their members. The Plans transportation numbers and general numbers to access available assistance can be found on the [Healthy San Diego Plan Contact Card](#).



## Interim Housing Program

The County of San Diego is seeking proposals for RFP 10404 – Interim Housing Program and supportive services for persons age 18 and above who are on Youth or Adult probation supervision (clients), as referred by the San Diego County Probation Department.

To submit a proposal, you must be registered in [BuyNet](#), the County of San Diego's Procurement System. Click on [RFP#10404](#) for reference.

The [RFP 10404 schedule](#) is subject to change.



## Homelessness Webinars and Recordings

View and download past recorded webinars:

[Addressing Challenges for Youth Experiencing Homelessness During COVID](#)

[United States Interagency Council on Homelessness](#)

[National Alliance to End Homelessness](#)



## COVID Testing Updates

As cases rise in San Diego County there is a higher demand for testing. There is also a global supply chain shortage with testing supplies. These factors are presenting delays in receiving testing results, so the County of San Diego is now focusing testing efforts on individuals who are symptomatic or asymptomatic. The County of San Diego

has identified the following high-risk groups who are prioritized for testing:

- Healthcare workers, first responders, other social service employees, and people in essential jobs
- Older adults
- People with chronic medical conditions
- People living in a residential or group setting, such as a long-term care facility or shelter
- People exposed to infected individuals in places where COVID-19 risk is high

For information on what to do after your COVID-19 test, please [click here](#).

To find a testing site by location or day, and to make an appointment online [click here](#).

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## EMPLOYER INFORMATION

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### Employer Playbook for Safe Reopening

The State has developed 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

[New CDC guidance](#) has determined that it is no longer recommended that employers require employees who tested positive for COVID-19 to be tested again before they can return to work.

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## Resources for Responding to COVID-19 in the Workplace

Please [click here](#) to view COVID-19 resources for employers and community sectors.

[Click here](#) to view information and resources from the California Department of Public Health for responding to COVID-19 in the Workplace.



## What If an employee tests positive for COVID-19?

For information on what to do if an employee tests positive for COVID-19, please view this [flowchart](#).

[Click here](#) for more information and resources on guidance.

## GENERAL INFORMATION



### Plasma Donations for Recovered COVID-19 Patients are Still Needed

Local hospital requests for COVID-19 convalescent plasma (CCP) spiked in the last week and current inventory will not meet demand over the coming days.

Recovered COVID-19 patients are needed to meet demand. While COVID-19 has no proven treatment, plasma taken from those who have recovered may help patients currently fighting the virus because the plasma has developed antibodies against the virus.

Individuals can donate convalescent plasma if they have a confirmed positive laboratory test and no symptoms for the last 28 days. People who test positive with a COVID-19 antibody test can also donate.

[Click here](#) to view the form that San Diego Blood Bank has created where people can submit their contact information to be qualified for convalescent plasma donation.





## Cool Zones

A select number of County-operated Cool Zones are open to help residents beat the heat. For a list of [locations](#) (and to view the safety measures in place at each location to protect the health of Cool Zone visitors and staff during COVID-19), [please click here](#).

 San Diego County Credit Union



## Live Well San Diego Fitness Challenge

### THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 16th!

[5K Virtual Race](#) is coming up this Sunday!

Last day to register is August 15th!

FREE [registration](#), FREE fitness events, FREE race swag (hat – while supplies last!)

Now more than ever, it is important to maintain a good exercise routine, manage stress and eat well, as these activities can help [boost your immune system](#) and maintain a defense against the coronavirus.

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



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@sdcountry.ca.gov](mailto:COVID-Homeless@sdcountry.ca.gov)





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