



City of Hermosa Beach
COVID-19 Daily Update
6 p.m. April 3, 2020

Local Updates

- **Additional Guidance on Non-Medical Face Masks:** Los Angeles Department of Public Health provided additional guidance today on the type of non-medical face masks it is recommending everyone now wear when going grocery shopping, to the pharmacy or on other essential trips outside the home. They said these should be homemade cloth face masks and not the medical ones that health care workers and first responders need. They noted that the masks also can be fashioned from a bandana, scarf or other household items. Public health experts said the recommendation to wear non-medical masks is intended to prevent the spread of COVID-19 from people who may not be aware they have the virus because they have no symptoms. More details available on L.A. County's [face covering guide](#).
- **Increased COVID-19 Testing:** Additional drive-through mobile testing sites have opened in Los Angeles County, including one at South Bay Galleria in Redondo Beach that opened today. Testing is limited to the most vulnerable of L.A. County residents, which are those who are age 65 and older and/or have underlying health conditions. Testing is by appointment only. Walk-up appointments are not available. Please see L.A. County [testing information](#).
- **Increased COVID-19 Diagnoses:** With additional testing, L.A. County Department of Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer said today that she expects to see up to 1,000 new confirmed diagnoses per day next week. She said the additional testing will help protect public health by making it possible to isolate individuals with confirmed cases of COVID-19 and also to notify people with whom those individuals have had contact so they can quarantine themselves to prevent further spread of the virus. For more information, please see the L.A. County [Public Health Department briefing](#).

State & Federal Updates

- **Housing to Help Homeless:** Gov. Gavin Newsom announced today that California has become the first state in the nation to secure FEMA approval to provide safe isolation capacity for tens of thousands of people experiencing homelessness in California to protect them from COVID-19. The state's effort, called Project Roomkey, has set an initial goal of securing up to 15,000 rooms for this purpose, and county partners have moved 869 homeless individuals who are considered the most vulnerable to COVID-19 off the street, out of shelters and into isolation. For more information, please see the [press release announcing the program](#).

- **Coronavirus Scam Warnings:** The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is warning the public about scam artists and internet hackers who are using the coronavirus to take advantage of people. The FBI reported it's received more than 1,200 reports of coronavirus-related scams. For more information, please see the [FBI scam warnings](#).
- **Global Update:** [Johns Hopkins University's Coronavirus Research Center](#) today reported more than 1 million people have confirmed COVID-19 cases, and the virus has caused the deaths of more than 54,000 worldwide.
- **CDC Recommends Americans Wear Masks Outside:** To help slow the spread of COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released an [official recommendation](#) today that Americans wear a non-medical mask or cloth face covering when outside and in public, in addition to self-isolating and maintaining 6 feet of social distancing as much as possible. This recommendation comes a day after similar [California State](#) and [L.A. County](#) guidance to wear non-medical masks in areas of significant community-based transmission, like grocery stores and pharmacies.
- **Airlines Told to Refund Flights Cancelled By COVID-19:** The U.S. Department of Transportation issued an [Enforcement Notice](#) today ordering U.S. and foreign airlines to provide refunds to passengers for flights to, within or from the United States for instances in which the carrier cancels the passenger's scheduled flight or makes a significant schedule change and the passenger chooses not to accept the alternative offered by the carrier.

Latest Facts & Figures

Area	Reported COVID-19 Diagnoses	Reported Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	Source
United States	239,279	5,443	https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html
California	10,701	237	https://public.tableau.com/views/COVID-19PublicDashboard/Covid-19Public?:embed=y&:display_count=no&:showVizHome=no
L.A. County	4,566	89	http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/
Hermosa Beach	17	N/A*	http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=2294

*Los Angeles County doesn't provide the hometowns of people who have died from COVID-19.

Information Sources

The City has limited public access to City Offices and the Community Center. It also has canceled major events and most City-sponsored programs.

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City of Hermosa Beach Coronavirus Updates	https://www.hermosabeach.gov/coronavirus
Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce	https://www.hbchamber.net/
Hermosa Beach City School District	https://www.hbcasd.org/
LA County Department of Health	www.cdph.ca.gov
LA County Business & Worker Disaster Help Center	LACountyHelpCenter.org
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	www.cdc.gov
LA County Fire Department	https://www.fire.lacounty.gov/
LA County Health and Human Services	Call 2-1-1
Beach Cities Health District is offering help to people in need. Please call 310-374-3426, ext. 256.	https://www.bchd.org/coronavirus