



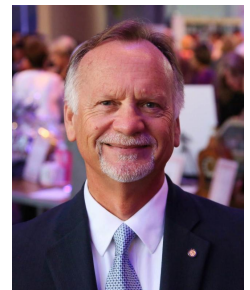
GO FOURTH! FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Thank you for taking the time to read our weekly newsletter. Every Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm, we distribute this publication to provide updates on past and future events throughout our council district. Please encourage your neighbors to sign up for the Go Fourth! Friday newsletter by contacting us at: district4@longbeach.gov.

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw



Hot Topics

Latest Updates and Public Portal for Reporting Illegal Fireworks

The professional fireworks shows, such as the Big Bang on the Bay and the firework show over the historic Queen Mary, will not occur this year, due to the ongoing health emergency and to prevent large gatherings that are prohibited under the State order. Block parties will also not be permitted for similar reasons. Events like fireworks shows and block parties encourage large gatherings, and such gatherings are not permitted, per the State of California.

In partnership with City Prosecutor's office, the City has launched proactive initiatives to prosecute people who possess, discharge, sell, or store fireworks in Long Beach. The City Prosecutor has launched a [public portal](#) for reporting and submitting gathered evidence of the discharge of illegal fireworks. You will be asked for your email address, name, address and phone number, so it is not an anonymous complaint submission. This public portal is also not intended to replace calling the police when fireworks are being set off in your neighborhood, but it is an additional tool to gather evidence that can be used by police and prosecutors. Please continue to call dispatch to report illegal



COVID-19 Updates

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

By the Numbers (Long Beach only | as of 6/25/2020):

- 3,509 total positive results
- 123 fatalities
- 72 people hospitalized
- Approximately 2,565 recovered (Please note that, for low-risk patients recovering at home, recovery data is self-reported)
- Data dashboard updated June 24



Details Regarding Fatalities:

- 93 are associated with long-term care facilities
- Ages:
 - 2 were in their 40s
 - 7 were in their 50s
 - 25 were in their 60s
 - 30 were in their 70s
 - 38 were in their 80s
 - 21 were over 90
- 53 female, 70 male
- All individuals had underlying health conditions
- At this time, to avoid risk to patient privacy, no further details will be provided

Long-Term Care Facility Case Information:

- 852 positive cases have been confirmed at a total of 29 long-term care facilities (LTCF) in the city since the start of the pandemic (see attachment).
 - Twenty-nine is a cumulative number; the Health Department is currently monitoring long-term care facilities with active cases. These cases include both facility residents and staff members (who may not be residents).
 - Long Beach has a total of 71 LTCFs, including assisted living and skilled nursing, that are currently open and operating in the city.
- In line with the California Department of Public Health's standard for [listing skilled nursing facilities](#) with positive cases, the City is listing facilities currently experiencing outbreaks (more than two cases of COVID-19) including counts for health care workers and residents.

Testing for Long Beach Residents:

- Diagnostic testing in Long Beach is available for anyone with symptoms of COVID-19. Certain locations are also testing essential workers who may have been exposed but are not showing symptoms. Same or next day appointments can be made online and are prioritized for those 65 years or older; individuals with

underlying chronic health conditions; and first responders, critical government workers, grocery workers, and health care professionals. More information is available [here](#).

- In an effort to expand testing availability, Long Beach residents who do not have symptoms for COVID-19 can get tested at the Cabrillo High School location beginning Saturday, May 30. The testing site is open from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., seven days a week and [appointments](#) are required.
- Many medical providers are also offering testing. Please check with your physician for requirements and scheduling opportunities.

Safer at Home Order:

- View the current ["Safer at Home" Order](#) (6/18/20)

Past News Releases:

- To view past COVID-19-related press releases, visit the [City Press Release Archive](#). Releases include information about economic relief, help for people experiencing homelessness and updates regarding City operations.

The City of Long Beach continues to monitor the situation 24/7 in coordination with local, state and federal officials. For the latest updates on Coronavirus, check our Health Department's website at this [link](#).

Long Beach Reopens More Businesses

Starting today, personal care services (e.g. tattoo parlors, cosmetology services, body-waxing, spa and massage therapy in non-healthcare settings, body art professionals and piercing shops) will be permitted to reopen with restrictions and with proper safety protocols in place. You can read more at this [link](#).



Grocery Stores in the Fourth District

All stores are getting regular shipments of food, and they are restocking shelves each day. However, some stores are restricting entry to prohibit overcrowding which may lead to longer wait times outside the store. Special operating hours for adults 65+ and people with disabilities are indicated in red at this [link](#).



Drive-Thru Businesses in the Fourth District

We currently have 25 drive-thrus in the Fourth Council District. You can grab food, go to the bank and pick up prescriptions without leaving your car. We have created a [list](#) of all the drive-thrus in District Four. Please call for operating hours.



Free Face Shield Distribution Today & Wednesday

June 26th & July 1st | 2 pm - 4 pm | 3205 Lakewood Blvd.

Today and next Wednesday, the City of Long Beach will distribute free face shields to Long Beach-based bars,

restaurants and personal care businesses in an effort to provide required safety equipment to businesses that may not have immediate access to safely reopen.



Rental Assistance for Tenants Impacted by COVID-19

City Council approved an [Emergency Rental Assistance Program](#) specifically for qualifying tenants impacted by COVID-19. The Long Beach CARES program will provide up to \$1,000 per month of rental assistance payments for up to three months on behalf of qualifying Long Beach residents who have lost income due to COVID-19 and meet federal low-income requirements. The monthly assistance payments will be provided directly to landlords or property owners on behalf of qualifying residents and be applicable to rent due during the eligible period from March 27, 2020, until the end of the City's Safer at Home Order. More information about the program is available on the City's [website](#).



Past Events

Parking Citation Dismissal Through July 5th

Citations issued to residents during the period of May 18th through the extended date of July 5th are eligible for dismissal. This only applies to street sweeping citations as other parking laws have continued to be enforced. Instructions for dismissing street sweeping citations are on the back of your citation.



Fourth District Business Grants

City Council approved the allocation of Fourth District One-time Priority Funds for a District Restart Grant Program to assist CD4 businesses damaged by the events of May 31st. Impacted business owners will be able to apply for a Business Restart (SBR) grant up to \$2000. Learn more or apply for a SBR Grant [here](#).



Mosquito Awareness Week - June 21st thru 27th

This is National Mosquito Week, and the Long Beach Health Dept. has some tips on how to make your yard a mosquito-free zone. More information is available at this [link](#).

Tips on How to Prevent the Spread of Mosquito-Borne Diseases



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Dump water from potted plant saucers.



Limit the watering of lawns and outdoor plants.



Empty containers filled with water in and around the home.



Clean and scrub bird baths and pet water bowls at least once a week.



Ensure that water-related play areas are properly maintained.



Install screens on doors and windows.



Use an EPA registered insect repellent such as DEET to prevent mosquito bites.

Upcoming Events

The Long Beach Challenge Fundraiser



The Long Beach Challenge is an online auction to raise funds for Meals on Wheels of Long Beach and The Long Beach Education Foundation. More than 45 auction items are open for bidding and additional auction packages are being added. The auction will be open for bidding through July 15 at 5:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Rhonda at Meals on Wheels of Long Beach at 562-439-5000 or rhonda@mowlb.org. Visit the [website](#) to donate and/or sign up to bid on packages.

Upcoming Events Canceled

Due to the Safer at Home order and social distancing protocols, events that we normally promote have been canceled.

Tomorrow, Saturday, both the WESCA Clean Up and EDCO's Hazardous Household Waste events have been canceled.

This week, our monthly CD4 Community Meeting at the Los Altos Library was also canceled. Questions about these or any other events can be directed to our council office at District4@longbeach.gov or (562) 570-4444.



Long Beach to offer "Recreation Reimagined"

Registration June 20th | 8 am | PRM Website

Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) summer youth and teen programs for 2020 will feature greatly reduced fees, lower staff-to-camper ratios and enhanced safety protocols. "[Recreation Reimagined](#)" camps will take place at 22 sites across the city and offer a variety of recreational, educational enrichment and fitness activities. Camps will operate weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., from July 6 through August 28 at a cost of \$30 per week (down from \$115 per week). Extended care is available from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. for an additional \$20 per week. Youth scholarships will be available to Long Beach families who may need assistance affording the weekly camp fee. For information on scholarships, call 562.570.3150.

Recreation Reimagined

Youth Summer Program 2020

Ages 5-12 • July 6-August 28

LBPL Re-opens Outdoor Book Drops

June 23rd | Los Altos and Brewitt Library

All outdoor book drops have re-opened at all 12 branches. A 72-hour quarantine period has been implemented for all returned items. This will result in delays in items being checked in and coming off of patron records; however, fines will not be incurred during this period. Please note that all materials checked out prior to the LBPL closure will be due on Wednesday, July 15th.



LB Parks Summer Food Service Program

June 15 - August 21 | 11:30 am - 12:30 pm | Including Whaley, Stearns & Orizaba

The City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) will offer the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) to provide free, nutritious meals to Long Beach children and youth throughout the summer months. Beginning June 15 through August 21, 2020, PRM will provide free meals for children and youth Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (excluding Friday, July 3, 2020). Meals will be available to all attending children and youth between one and 18 years old. Infant meals will not be provided. To view the complete list of locations where meals will be provided and for more information, visit the [PRM website](#) or call the Summer Food Office at 562.570.3226.



And Finally

New CD4 Project Yields "Compound" Interest

For our council office, it all started eighteen months ago. That's when the founder of

Compound, Megan Tagliaferri, visited our office and explained her vision. She wanted to create a new cultural and creative complex fostering the intersection of contemporary art, wellness and community impact. She also stated that she had found the perfect spot in the Zaferia District of our council district. We immediately offered our support, and yesterday was the official announcement that Compound would be opening this fall. In the meantime, they wanted to introduce the community to Compound through the launch of *Compound-ed*, a quarterly online editorial platform that will explore urgent and pressing issues related to their mission, history, and community. The inaugural edition is available at this [link](#). Both the [L. A. Times](#) and [LBPost](#) ran stories yesterday. We look forward to Compound's grand opening this fall at 1395 Coronado Avenue.



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