

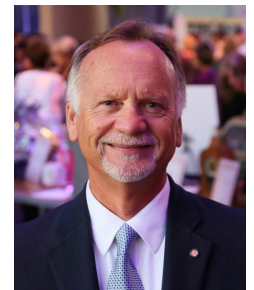


# GO FOURTH! FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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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](mailto:district4@longbeach.gov).



- Councilman Daryl Supernaw

## COVID-19 Updates

### Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

#### By the Numbers (Long Beach only):

- 51,412 total positive results
  - 72 new cases since Tuesday
  - Seven-day positivity rate: 3.2%
  - 8.9 seven-day case rate per 100K population
- 856 fatalities
- 188 Long Beach residents hospitalized with COVID-19
- 107 total COVID-19 hospitalizations in area hospitals (Long Beach Memorial Hospital, St. Mary Medical Center, College Medical Center, Lakewood Regional Medical Center and Los Alamitos Medical Center)
- Approximately 48,732 recovered (Please note that, for low-risk patients recovering at home, recovery data is self-reported)
- 714,799 total tests conducted
- Information as of March 2



#### State Indicators (Updated on 3/02/21):

- Current LA County Tier: Purple Tier (Widespread)
- Seven-day positivity rate: 3.5%
- 7.2 adjusted daily new cases per 100K population
- Testing positivity in lowest-resourced areas (health equity metric): 5.1%

#### **Vaccinations (Updated on 3/02/21):**

- Currently eligible phase(s)/tier(s): Phase 1A and Phase 1B, Tier 1
- 132,335 vaccines allocated to the City of Long Beach
- 114,242 vaccines administered citywide
- 73,711 first doses administered
- 40,531 second doses administered
- 75,880 vaccinated Long Beach residents
- 16.1% of residents vaccinated
- Information as of March 1

#### **Details Regarding Fatalities:**

- 314 are associated with long-term care facilities (LTCF)
- Ages:
  - 7 were in their 20s
  - 24 were in their 30s
  - 32 were in their 40s
  - 93 were in their 50s
  - 190 were in their 60s
  - 193 were in their 70s
  - 217 were in their 80s
  - 100 were over 90
- 359 female, 497 male
- 21 individuals had no known underlying health conditions
- 39 individuals had unknown underlying health conditions

#### **Safer at Home Order:**

- View the current "Safer at Home" [Health Order](#) (2/10/21)

#### **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](#).

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## **Long Beach Department of Health & Human Services (LBDHHS)**

If you have been impacted by the pandemic and need mental health care, food access, housing/shelter, legal aid, children/family services and more, help is here. Call LBDHHS at 562-570-INFO (4636), select Option 5, leave a message and you will receive a call back with resources.

# LB Resource Line

562.570.INFO  
(4636)



Press 5



[longbeach.gov/covid19](https://longbeach.gov/covid19)

## LB Rolls Out New Mobile Vaccination Vehicles

This week, the City activated two new mobile vehicles to administer vaccinations to homebound residents and individuals in neighborhoods with the highest coronavirus case rates to reduce the effects of COVID-19. Each vehicle is self-contained to administer vaccinations and is equipped with supplies, vaccine storage units, tables, chairs and hand-washing stations to maximize the team's time in the community. More information is in the City's press release at this [link](#).



## Past and Ongoing Events

### FREE Tax Return Preparation by CSULB Students

Through March 26th | M-Th: 10 am to 8 pm & Fri: 9 am to 3 pm



The CSULB VITA site is available to qualifying taxpayers with an income level of \$57,000 or less. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing for federal and state tax returns. Preparers can inform taxpayers about special tax credits for which they may qualify such as Earned Income Tax Credit, Child Tax Credit, and Credit for the Elderly or the Disabled. CSULB VITA refunded over 1 million in taxpayer dollars last tax season. Due to COVID-19 protocols, VITA is not meeting with clients face-to-face, but you can schedule an online appointment. You will meet over zoom and complete the tax return through a virtual setting. More information at this [link](#) or contact Briana Martin, VITA Coordinator, at [vita.csulb@gmail.com](mailto:vita.csulb@gmail.com) or (562) 726-2331.

## Governor Newsom Visits CSULB/Kaiser Vaccination Site

On Wednesday, Governor Gavin Newsom stopped by the Kaiser vaccination site at CSULB's parking structure 3 near the intersection of Atherton and Palo Verde. The visit included a press event in the lobby of the Carpenter Center where he was joined by local representatives. Pictured below from left to right are Congressman Lowenthal, Mayor Garcia, Assembly members O'Donnell & Gibson, Kaiser Chairman/CEO Greg Adams, Supervisor Hahn and State Senator Tom Umberg. You can read the Press Telegram's coverage at this [link](#).



## Upcoming Events

### Nature Center Temporary Closure Next Week

March 9-10 | Tues through midday Wed | 7550 Spring St.

El Dorado Nature Center building will be closed to the public on Tuesday, March 9 through midday on Wednesday, March 10 for building fumigation. Due to the proximity of the fumigation to the trail entry point, the trails will also be closed for the duration of the project. Annual parking passes will be temporarily sold at the Rangers Station offices located across the street in the Regional Park from 8:30am-4:00 pm on Tuesday and 8:30 am- 1:00 pm on Wednesday. Visitor Center operations and trail reopening will resume at 1:00 pm on Wednesday. For more information please contact (562) 570-1745.



### Parks & Rec Day Camps During Spring Break Week

April 5-9 | 9 am - 4 pm | Registration at this [link](#)

LB Parks & Rec will offer in-person day camps during LBUSD's spring break week from April 5 through 9. LBUSD students ages 5 to 12 will enjoy crafts, physical fitness, enrichment activities and more, all while following COVID-19 safety precautions. A \$30 registration fee is required for campers attending from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and \$50 for those attending from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Financial assistance is available on a first-come, first served basis. CD4's Whaley, Stearns and Orizaba parks are included in the program. Additional information is available at this [link](#).



## Nature Detectives After School Camp

Registration happening now | Online and in person

The popular Nature Detectives after school camp program at CD4's El Dorado Nature Center will continue in March and April. Registration for the four-week program for children ages 5 to 10 will begin next Tuesday. Register [online](#) or in person at El Dorado Nature Center at 7550 E. Spring Street. Camp sessions are \$80 per participant. All camp sessions will take place from 2:30 to 4 p.m., with check-in and medical screenings beginning at 2:15 p.m. each day. More information is available at this [link](#).



## Next on the City Council Agenda

March 9th | 5:00 pm | Teleconference

The City Council teleconference will start at 5:00 pm. The civic chambers will be closed, but the public can use eComment to provide comments on agenda items. Comments can also be submitted by email to: [CityClerk@longbeach.gov](mailto:CityClerk@longbeach.gov). Items on Tuesday's council meeting agenda include:



- Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to: (1) execute and approve all documents necessary to implement a cash flow loan by the City of Long Beach Tidelands Oil Revenue Fund Group - Oil Field Abandonment Reserve - to the Aquarium of the Pacific Corporation of up to \$5 million, and (2) terminate the previous May 5, 2020 authorization for a loan from the Tidelands Operations Fund to the Aquarium for October 2020 rent. (District 2)
- Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to extend the deferral of payment for business license taxes and fees and the Street Sweeping Relief Program through June 30, 2021, to establish a citywide COVID-19 Relief Payment Plan Program for individuals and businesses, and coordinate accounts receivable collections in conjunction with the COVID-19 Relief Payment Plan Program beginning April 1, 2021 for Parking Citations and July 1, 2021 for most business-related and general fees, including health and fire fees. (Citywide)
- Recommendation to direct the City Manager to prepare an application for the 2020 SAFER Grant for submission by the March 12, 2021 deadline. For this funding cycle, the grant will provide \$4.8 million to cover the cost of 12 FTE entry level firefighters for Engine 17 over three years to fall within an estimated

timeframe of mid-FY 22 through mid-FY 25.

The entire agenda can be found [here](#). To see the schedule and agenda for all upcoming city meetings, click [here](#).

## View Council Meetings Live on YouTube

In an effort to create easier ways for residents to access Council meetings on their smart devices and smart TVs, the Technology & Innovation Department (TID) is now live streaming City Council meetings on the LBTV YouTube channel. In the future, the team also plans to live stream Council Committee meetings. In addition to the YouTube channel, viewers can watch LBTV on Spectrum channel 3, Frontier FiOS channel 21, AT&T U-verse channel 99 and online at LBTV3.com. To view the LBTV YouTube channel, please click [HERE](#).



## FREE Household Hazardous Waste Event Next Weekend

March 13th | 9 am - 2 pm | 2755 California Ave., Signal Hill

The last EDCO Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) & E-Waste Collection Event took place on January 9th, and now they're back! The next event will be held on March 13th from 9 am - 2 pm at the EDCO Recycling Center in Signal Hill. Drop off your hazardous household items and old electronics safely and responsibly! For additional information, visit [bit.ly/HHW\\_LB](http://bit.ly/HHW_LB).

### Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) & E-Waste Collection Events and Centers Reopen March 13th



Household Hazardous Waste



Electronic Waste



Pharmaceuticals/Sharps Waste

#### Please Follow COVID-19 Safety Precautions:



Wear a face covering.



Place items in an unlocked trunk and stay in your car with the windows closed.



STAY HOME if you feel sick.

## Blood Drive at the Long Beach Playhouse

March 16th | 9 am - 3 pm | 5021 E. Anaheim St.

The Long Beach Playhouse is working with the Red Cross as a blood drive location on Tuesday, March 16th. Click [here](#) for more information and sign up opportunities.



## Save the Date: Alzheimer's Community Forum

Thursday, March 18th | 10:00 - 11:30 am | Online

Next month, the Alzheimer's Association will be hosting a virtual presentation including an overview on Alzheimer's, dementia and memory loss. We'll have details in upcoming newsletters, but we wanted to announce the date, March 18th, so you'd have time to invite friends who have been affected by the disease. It will be a great opportunity to share your thoughts about how we can help people in our community. [Registration](#) is requested.



## Save the Date: 3/20 - LBO Spring Fundraiser

March 20th | 9 am - 12 pm | 3709 E. 10th St.

Mark your calendar for the Long Beach Organic spring fundraiser: GO PLANT ME! Organic seedlings will be available with your donation. Saturday, March 20th, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Zaferia Junction Community Garden, 3709 E. 10th St. Social distancing and safety will be a priority. Volunteers are busy planting seeds for this second annual event, including rare heirlooms.

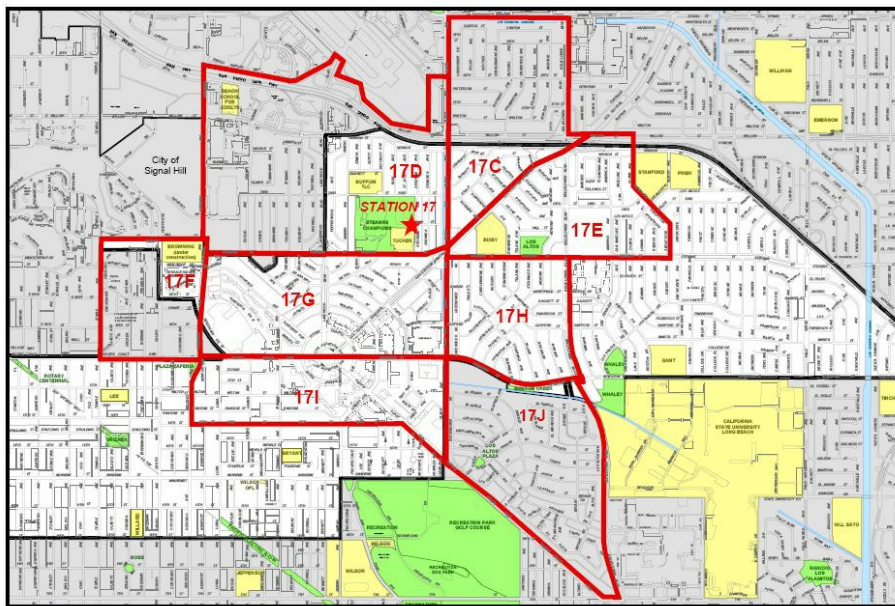


## And Finally

### SAFER Grant Will Help Fund Engine 17

Next Tuesday night, I will be bringing a council agenda item forward directing the City Manager to apply for a Safer Grant from FEMA. The grant of \$4.8 million will cover half the cost of operating Fire Engine 17 for a period of three years. E17 was restored to service in October 2019, but funding has been an ongoing issue. The map below shows Station 17's response zones (outlined in red) overlaid on a map of Council District 4. Not only would the loss of E17 create a huge hole in our district, the effects would be felt citywide. Without E17 in the system, response times are increased by a full minute throughout the city. Times within the Station 17 response zones would be increased by one and a half minutes. Keeping Engine 17 in service is critically important to the safety of our residents.





**4th Council District  
Fire Station 17  
Response Zones**

Disclaimer:  
This map from the City of Long Beach is intended for informational purposes only. While reasonable effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the data, the City assumes no liability for damages arising from errors or omissions. This map is provided without warranty of any kind.

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