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## **CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS UPDATE ON CLOSURES AND CANCELLATIONS IN RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

The City of Santa Fe Springs continues to monitor guidelines from federal, state and county officials regarding the coronavirus. The "Safer at Home" order remains in full effect as the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health transitions into Stage 2 of the County's Roadmap to Recovery. Based on this directive designed to limit the spread of COVID-19, the City has decided to maintain facilities closed through **June 1, 2020** and cancel all programs and events through **July 5, 2020**. The health and safety of City residents remains one of our top priorities, therefore, preventing public interaction during this pandemic will help reduce the exposure to COVID-19.

As a reminder, essential services such as Police, Fire-Rescue, Infrastructure, and Transportation Services for seniors and persons with disabilities are still being offered. Please see below for updates on facility closures and program and event cancellations.

**The following are updates effective May 19, 2020.**

### City Events and Programs

- City events and programs will continue to be cancelled through June 2020, including the Independence Day celebration originally scheduled for July 3, 2020. For the complete list of cancelled City events and programs (April – June 2020), please visit the City's website.
- The Department of Community Services will be offering several virtual programs and services. Detailed information will be provided in the Summer Quarterly. At this time, summer programming starting July 5<sup>th</sup> has not been cancelled; however, it is subject to change based on any new directives from government officials.
- The City will still offer Firework Booths that will be operated by community organizations throughout the City. For the safety of the organizations as well as the public, social distancing guidelines will be enforced at all booth locations. Fireworks sales will be from Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:01 p.m. to Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 12 a.m. Details regarding booth locations and participating organizations will be advertised in the City newsletter.

### City Facilities

- Tennis Courts will open on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> since tennis is a non-contact sport where participants are separated while engaging in the sport. Temporary Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 5:00-7:00 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Guidelines have been established and can be found on our website.
- City facilities will remain closed to the public until Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. For the complete list of these facilities, please visit the City's website.

### Older Adult Services

- SASSFA has received an influx of requests from older adults who are interested in receiving frozen meals; unfortunately, they are currently placing participants on a waitlist. Our city case workers have been working with

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SASSFA on securing alternative delivered meals for Santa Fe Springs senior residents who are on the waiting list. There is a statewide home meal delivery program called Great Plates Delivered Program. This program provides home delivered meals to qualifying seniors in all cities at no cost to the local city. Santa Fe Springs residents may contact a Case Worker at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center to receive assistance in securing food.

#### City Services

- Scheduled street sweeping services will continue. However, citations for parking violations on scheduled street sweeping days will not be enforced through Sunday, May 31st. Citations will continue to be issued for all other violations. **Please note, effective Monday, June 1, 2020, the City will resume regular Street Sweeping Parking Enforcement.** Starting, June 1<sup>st</sup>, street sweeping citations will be issued to all vehicles parked in violation of the posted No Parking Street Sweeping Signs.
- Transportation Services for seniors and persons with disabilities is still being offered.

#### Council and Committee Meetings

- City Council meetings will continue to be held by teleconference. Council Chambers are closed to the public. To access an upcoming City Council meeting telephonically or electronically, please visit the City's website at [www.santafesprings.org](http://www.santafesprings.org) for further instructions.
- All City Advisory Committee Meetings are cancelled until further notice.

For the most recent updates regarding City operations, please visit the City's website at [www.santafesprings.org](http://www.santafesprings.org). The City of Santa Fe Springs remains committed to the safety and health of its residents during this time, and keeping the community informed is a top priority. For the latest news from the City, you may visit our website or follow social media pages at [www.facebook.com/cityofsfs](https://www.facebook.com/cityofsfs), [www.instagram.com/cityofsfs](https://www.instagram.com/cityofsfs), <https://twitter.com/cityofsfs>, [nextdoor.com/cityofsantafesprings](https://www.nextdoor.com/cityofsantafesprings), [www.youtube.com/channel/CityofSantaFeSprings](https://www.youtube.com/channel/CityofSantaFeSprings).

Information about COVID-19 is changing rapidly, residents are encouraged to visit the Centers for Disease Control website at [cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov), the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health website at [publichealth.lacounty.gov](http://publichealth.lacounty.gov), or the World Health Organization at [who.int](http://who.int) to stay informed.

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