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## **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. Los Angeles County has begun to transition into stage 3 of California's Pandemic Resilience Roadmap and has enforced the "Reopening Safer at Work and in the Community" order. New protocols have been established to prevent more cases, more serious illnesses, increased hospitalizations, and more deaths. Based on these directives designed to limit the spread of COVID-19, **the City will maintain facility closures to the public until further notice.** The reopening date of City facilities for public access is to be determined. All programs and events remain cancelled through December 2020 and some have been modified to virtual programs and activities. For more information on City events and programs, please visit the City's website. 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 City operations.

**The following are updates effective September 25, 2020.**

### Cancelled City Events and Programs

- Holiday food basket programs (Thankful Neighbor and Neighborly Elf) – Thankful Neighbor drive-thru event is scheduled for 11/24 and Neighborly Elf on 12/12.
- Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- Santa's home visits and Christmas float program. Instead, the float will be paraded around the city through as many residential streets as possible with no stops, so that children and families can still see Santa driving by their neighborhood. Once route maps have been finalized, the information will be posted through the city's social media outlets so residents are aware of when Santa will be driving through their neighborhood.
- In-person Las Posadas has been cancelled; a virtual event will take place on 12/11 and posted on social media.
- First Fridays at the Library.
- Holiday home decorating contest will take place virtually. Details will be posted on our website and social media.
- Other in-person holiday events have all been cancelled. Several virtual/modified activities will take place including, Santa Zoom calls, Christmas Grinch, and Globe portraits with Santa. Check the Winter Quarterly for more information.
- All Community Excursions for the Fall and Winter are cancelled.
- All Fall and Winter in-person sports are cancelled.
- In-person teens and in-person older adults programming is cancelled.

### City Facilities for Rent

- All facility rentals will remain canceled/closed through December 2020.

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**The following items remain in effect.**

City Events and Programs

- The Department of Community Services is offering a variety of virtual programs. Please refer to the Quarterly Brochure for more information.

City Facilities

- City facilities will remain closed to the public until **further notice**. For the complete list of these facilities, please visit the City's website.
- Tennis Courts are still open 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 parks remain open for passive recreation only. All park amenities including restrooms, playgrounds, sport fields, basketball and handball courts remain closed.

Older Adult Services

- SASSFA continues to provide frozen meals to the older adults who have registered. Santa Fe Springs residents may contact a Case Worker at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center to receive assistance in securing food.

City Services

- 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 have reconvened virtually. Details regarding these meetings days/times can be found on our website.

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/cityofsf](https://www.facebook.com/cityofsf), [www.instagram.com/cityofsf](https://www.instagram.com/cityofsf), <https://twitter.com/cityofsf>, [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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