

From: Congresswoman Nanette Barragán <RSVP.Barragan@mail.house.gov> To: Ron.Eckstein@mail.house.gov Subject: Good News on COVID and Community Updates Date: Mon, 14 Jun 2021 18:41:43 -0400 Good News on COVID and Community Updates June 14, 2021 ¿Quiere leer este boletín en español? Haga clic aquí. Dear Neighbor, Good news! California now has the lowest COVID-19 case rate in the nation and, here in Los Angeles County, there have been significant drops in COVID cases, hospitalizations and deaths. This amazing progress comes as we look forward to the State of California moving towards a full reopening tomorrow, on Tuesday, June 15th! Here are some details: The State of California will soon start lifting mask mandates for workers in places where everyone is vaccinated, but if even one person is unvaccinated, the mask mandate will remain in effect. Unvaccinated people are still at great risk because not enough of us are vaccinated to prevent new COVID outbreaks. Hospitals, care facilities and schools will also have stricter requirements than most places, even after June 15. This will include continued masking and social distancing requirements. Businesses will also be allowed to determine for themselves when they wish to lift their own COVID restrictions, so it's important to respect the decisions and rules of each business establishment. Above all, please get vaccinated if you haven't already! The sooner we get our shots, the sooner we can all enjoy our summer safely together. You can find nearby vaccination sites here. Free Rides to Vaccination Sites For people struggling to get to a vaccination site, LA County Public Health can help get you a free ride there and back. The Uber and Lyft rideshare apps are offering free roundtrip rides to some vaccination sites within their apps, which can be downloaded for free through your smartphone's app store. If you are seeking assistance scheduling a ride or if you want to get your vaccination at a site not listed in the app, you can reach out to the Public Health call center at 1 (833) 540-0473 and you will be connected to free transportation. For more information, visit [VaccinateLACounty.com](https://vaccinate.lacounty.com) Churches in Action! Vaccine Site Next Saturday (June 19) Get your FREE Covid-19 Vaccine at a mobile clinic vaccine event in South Gate. Churches in Action will provide a one-day free vaccine clinic. Here are the details: Where: Churches in Action, 9641 Virginia Avenue, South Gate, CA 90280 When: Saturday, June 19, from 8 AM to 12 PM Vaccine: Pfizer Who: Anyone 12 years and older For more information or register in advance, visit [VeritasVaccines.com](https://veritasvaccines.com), Walk-ins are welcome! If you haven't gotten your COVID shot yet, please come in and take advantage of this opportunity to keep yourself, your family, and our community safe. LA County COVID-19 Community Ambassador Program The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health has launched the Los Angeles County COVID-19 Community Ambassador program. It is available to all Los Angeles County residents. Participants view a 30-minute informational video about COVID-19 prevention and infection control and receive a certificate, along with branded materials. COVID-19 Community Ambassadors are not meant to enforce Health Officer Orders but rather to inform others of COVID-19 resources and best practices. For additional information please contact [CommunityAmbassador@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:CommunityAmbassador@ph.lacounty.gov) or visit the ambassador program's webpage. Community Updates and Resources Carson Youth Employment Program Carson residents ages 14 through 21 are invited to apply for an opportunity to work for the City of Carson. Participants will be able to work up to 100 hours in a city department. For more information, please call (310) 952-1736. Long Beach AquaLink Free Service The Long Beach Transit's AquaLink is back and providing free water taxi service through July 4. The AquaLink connects the Aquarium of

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