COVID-19

Los Angeles County
Public Health Officer Order

The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department and Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) are calling on the public which includes our law enforcement community, to help slow the spread of the disease caused by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) through physical distancing.

Physical distancing (also called social distancing) is a practice recommended by public health officials to stop or slow down the spread of contagious diseases (COVID-19). It requires the creation of physical space between individuals who may spread certain infectious diseases. The key is to minimize the number of gatherings as much as possible and to achieve a spacing of 6 feet between individuals.

Despite these efforts, there continues to be community transmission within Los Angeles County.

The Safer at Home Order (Los Angeles County Health Order, 120295 HS/11.02.080 LACC) from March 16, 2020, is currently in effect through May 15, 2020. The order partially states:

- **Prohibits** all indoor and outdoor public and private gatherings and events among persons not in the same household in Los Angeles County;
- All persons are to remain in their homes except for individuals who leave their homes to shop at an essential business provided they wear a cloth face covering;
- Requires all businesses to stop in-person operations and close to the public unless the business is defined as an Essential Business. It specifically requires all indoor malls and shopping centers, all swap meets and flea markets, all indoor and outdoor playgrounds, and all non-essential businesses to close;
- Requires all Essential Businesses to implement Social Distancing Protocols and provide their employees with cloth masks if they contact the public or other employees; and
- Requires the closure of all public beaches, piers, public beach parking lots, beach bike paths, beach access points, public trails, and trailheads within the Public Health jurisdiction in Los Angeles County (Updated March 27, 2020).

Please review the Enforcement Guidelines and the current County Health Officer Order documents for further information.

If you have any questions or require additional information, the DOC is available 24 hours.