



## CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

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### **Message from the City Council:**

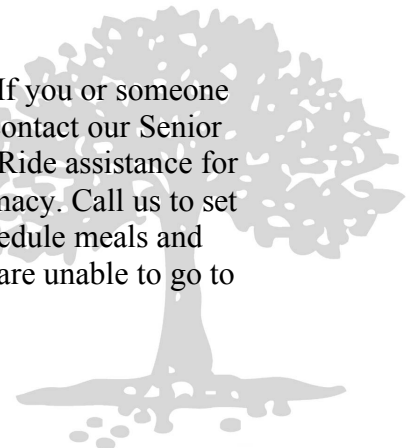
As this unprecedented crisis continues to evolve, we will see an increase in COVID-19 cases across the County over the next two to three weeks. Health officials for the County of Los Angeles attribute this increase to not only the fact that more testing is available, but also because many people are infected, yet not displaying symptoms, and are spreading the virus without knowing it. This increase in cases means a surge of additional patients to emergency rooms – putting potentially unmanageable stress on our hospitals.

With the number of COVID-19 cases increasing, it is extremely important to adhere to the County's Safer at Home orders to stay at home and maintain the 6-foot distance between others, even at city parks. And be sure to continue to wash your hands frequently. Washing your hands is still one of the most important actions you can take to prevent the spread of germs to you or others.

In addition, the County recently issued new recommendations regarding wearing masks while out in public. Remember that hospital-grade surgical masks are in short supply and needed by health-care workers and public safety personnel, so please follow our County health officials' guidelines and use a scarf or other fabric as a mask, if needed. The more we all follow these orders, the more we can reduce the spread of this contagious virus and the more available medical facilities will be for those who need it.

We would like to assure our community that our South Pasadena Fire Department is fully staffed and ready to respond to all emergency calls. They have prepared for this outbreak and procedures have been put in place to protect our first responders as well as the public from COVID-19. If emergency fire or medical services are needed, residents are reminded to inform the 9-1-1 dispatcher if they or anyone they have been in contact with is experiencing signs and symptoms consistent with COVID-19. For non-emergency Fire Department inquiries during this time, please call 626-403-7300. For all emergencies, dial 9-1-1.

Please know the City is also here to support our most vulnerable population. If you or someone you know is a senior who needs daily lunches delivered to the home, please contact our Senior Center Monday to Friday at 626-403-7360. We are also still offering Dial-A-Ride assistance for essential transportation to doctor appointments and the grocery store or pharmacy. Call us to set up a ride at 626-403-7368. Our team is available to answer questions and schedule meals and rides between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday to Friday. Seniors and others who are unable to go to



the store, may also sign up for grocery delivery through South Pasadena's Grocery Delivery program. To sign up, visit [sp-volunteers.com](http://sp-volunteers.com).

While City Hall is closed, city staff continue to work remotely and provide a complete range of services to our residents. To inquire about the services available, please check out our website at [www.southpasadenaca.gov](http://www.southpasadenaca.gov) or call (626) 403-7210 for assistance. We are here to serve you.

Finally, please remember to support our local restaurants by ordering pick-up or delivery. A list of open businesses is available at the Chamber of Commerce website at <https://southpasadena.net/>

We thank our South Pasadena residents for diligently continuing to follow the County health orders and taking care of our community. We will continue to provide you weekly updates on important City issues during this time.

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