

# MESSAGE FROM MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Starting LAST NIGHT at 11:59 PM, March 19, residents in Los Angeles and across California are ordered to stay inside their homes, with lawful exceptions made for critical tasks such as securing food and health, safety and medical necessities, as well as caring for children, elder adults, family, friends, and people with disabilities. These measures are put in place to limit the spread of COVID-19 and enforce social distancing.

## **LA County Guidelines (Effective starting 11:59 PM, March 19 - April 19, 2020)**

These new orders direct:

- The prohibition of all indoor public and private gatherings and all outdoor public and private events within a confined space, where at least 10 people are expected to be in attendance at the same time
- Closure of all indoor malls, shopping centers, playgrounds, and non-essential businesses
- Closure of all bars, dine-in restaurants, gym, and movie theaters

For all gatherings that are not prohibited and for all Essential Businesses must:

1. Practice social distancing within the confined space by requiring attendees to be separated by six feet, to the extent feasible
2. Provide access to handwashing facilities with soap and water or hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol
3. Post a sign in a conspicuous place at the public entry to the venue instructing members of the public to not attend if they are experiencing symptoms of respiratory illness, including fever or cough
4. Adhere to communicable disease control recommendations provided by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, including guidance for cleaning and disinfecting the site. See guidance posted at [www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus](http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus)
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Essential businesses will remain open (i.e. businesses that offer food, shelter, social services, banks, gas stations, hardware stores, health care facilities, transportation services, housing facilities that house our most vulnerable communities)

For more information, read [here](#).

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