

A Message From Your Sheriff

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As the coronavirus (COVID-19) begins to have an increased impact in our communities, I would like to share the precautionary measures we are taking.

At the San Diego County Sheriff's Department, the safety of our employees and the people we serve has always been our top priority.

Let me assure you law enforcement services will not be interrupted. We will continue to enforce laws, maintain security and care for inmates, as well as provide essential protection services to our courthouses.

On the advice of national and local health authorities, we are practicing social distancing when possible. We have cancelled non-essential community events and business-related travel until further notice.

There are two public health orders currently in effect: California Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order N-33-201 and the County's Amended Health Officer Order and Emergency Regulations. Please follow these restrictions related to quarantine. We ask the public to comply with these orders and to cooperate with these health directives. Violations are misdemeanors and punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 or six months in jail or both. These orders are for the sole purpose of saving lives and stopping the spread of coronavirus.

As part of our commitment to make everyone feel confident when doing business with the Sheriff's Department, know that we adhere to strict cleanliness standards and procedures in our facilities.

Temperature checks are being done at all Sheriff's stations, detention facilities and the Communications Center.

Our offices, detention facilities including the visitation areas, as well as our patrol vehicles and buses for transporting inmates are cleaned daily as part of our normal course of business. Hand sanitizers, disposable gloves and personal protective gear (PPE) are available to employees.

The Sheriff's Department operates seven detention facilities. We already have sanitation efforts in place to protect our staff and inmates. We also make handwashing a priority. All inmates and Sheriff's employees have facial coverings. We have increased booking restrictions and enhanced medical screenings during the pre-booking process to help identify those who may be displaying flu-like symptoms. All jail visits have been suspended until further notice.

Continue to check our website, www.sdsheriff.net, for the latest updates.

We will continue to monitor the situation. Again, emergency services will not be impacted. We remain steadfast in our commitment to keeping you safe.



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