BEVERLY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM ~ C.E.R.T ~

BEVERLY HILLS, May 1, 2021.

Dear CERT volunteers, a new month is here and with it uplifting updates from the CDC and also there is a new ordinance in the City of Beverly Hills.

This week information, as follows:

- COVID-19 vaccine updates and vaccination point in Beverly Hills
- JUST IN CASE BH
- Disaster Preparedness
- Upcoming Stop the Bleed in-person training
- CERT virtual refresher

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Neighbors helping neighbors.

Beverly Hills Community Connect Find out more about Los Angeles County Community Connect, brought to you by the Beverly Hills Fire Department. Together, Building a Safer Community Through Prevention, Preparedness & Response.
For Immediate Release
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BEVERLY HILLS ADOPTS URGENCY ORDINANCE TO ALIGN WITH COUNTY AND FEDERAL FACE COVERING RECOMMENDATIONS

Beverly Hills, CA – This evening, the Beverly Hills City Council unanimously voted to amend a section of its ordinance regarding face covering requirements in order to align with today’s recommendations set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and soon to be adopted by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

According to the updated guidance from the CDC, fully vaccinated individuals no longer need to wear a mask outdoors while walking, running, hiking or biking alone, or when in small gatherings, including with members of their own households.

The CDC urges everyone, including those fully vaccinated, to continue wearing face coverings when in crowds where six-feet of distance from other persons is not possible; while attending large events and gatherings; and in indoor settings where unvaccinated people may be present.

Once the County adopts regulations in accord with the CDC guidance, those regulations will apply in Beverly Hills.

Additional information regarding the guidance can be reviewed at cdc.gov.

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Also stay in touch with your medical care provider for the latest information regarding vaccination appointments.
Stay updated about the vaccine by visiting beverlyhills.org/coronavirus or contact our
Hotline at 310-550-4680 M-F 9a.m.-6p

NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR:
• Fully vaccinated individuals while outdoors alone
  or when in most small gatherings

STILL REQUIRED WHEN:
• Attending crowded, outdoor events
• Participating in indoor public activities
• There is a potential to come into contact
  with non-vaccinated individuals

PER CITY ORDINANCE
#BHHealthyCity

Also stay in touch with your medical care provider for the latest information regarding vaccination appointments.
Appointments now available to receive COVID-19 vaccine at a Mobile Vaccine Clinic at Roxbury Park Community Center on May 10, 11, 13 & 14 from 8 am to 4 pm.

Make an appointment by visiting vaccine.fulgentgenetics.com

Second dose appointments will be scheduled at the time of booking.

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Vaccination is rolling out to different groups, it’s very important to know the latest information. Find more information by visiting https://myturn.ca.gov/

For more detailed information, please visit the following link:

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/coronavirus/vaccine/index.htm

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JUST IN CASE BH

"JUST IN CASE, BH brings Residents, Businesses, and all by seamlessly assisting during and after disaster preparedness, leadership, and

As a CERT member we encourage you to participate and also to let everyone know about this opportunity

Watch Fire Chief Greg Barton’s message
https://vimeo.com/510836137

Sign up by visiting:
http://www.beverlyhills.org/departments/firedepartment/justincasebh/web.jsp

DO YOU KNOW YOUR JUST IN CASE BH ZONE? One of the major aspects of JUST IN CASE BH is the division of the City into geographic zones. Each zone is designed to support itself during times of emergency or disaster. Get to know your zone area: https://gis.beverlyhills.org/VBH/MyJICBHZone_FinderApp/

The Just In Case BH program is offering emergency kits through Beverly Hills CPR

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Automated External Defibrillator, AED can be purchased for any home or facility. Stop The Bleed kits are available for purchase, as well CPR books.

Call for pricing and availability 310-281-2753

**DISASTER PREPAREDNESS**

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Financial Preparedness Tips

Americans at all income levels have experienced the challenges of rebuilding their lives after a disaster or other emergency. In these stressful times, having access to personal financial, insurance, medical and other records is crucial for starting the recovery process quickly and efficiently.

1. Gather financial and critical personal, household and medical information.
2. Consider saving money in an emergency savings account that could be used in any crisis. Keep a small amount of cash at home in a safe place. It is important to have small bills on hand because ATMs and credit cards may not work during a disaster when you need to purchase necessary supplies, fuel or food.
3. Obtain property (homeowners or renters), health and life insurance if you do not have them. Not all insurance policies are the same. Review your policy to make sure the amount and types of coverage you have meets the requirements for all possible hazards. Homeowners insurance does not typically cover flooding, so you may need to purchase flood insurance from the National Flood Insurance Program.
4. For more helpful financial preparedness tips, download the Emergency Financial First Aid Kit (EFFAK) to get started planning today.

Regarding COVID-19:

- Be cautious about sharing personal financial information, such as your bank account number, social security number, or credit card number.
- Do not click on links in texts or emails from people you don’t know. Scammers can create fake links to websites. Visit government websites, like cdc.gov/coronavirus, directly in your internet browser.
  - Know that the government will not text or call you about “mandatory online COVID-19 tests,” outbreaks “in your area,” mandatory vaccinations, or to sell you COVID-19 cures.
  - Remember that the government will not call or text you about owing money or receiving economic impact payments.
  - Be aware that scammers may try to contact you via social media. The government will not contact you through social media about owing money or receiving payments.
- If you have been exposed to COVID-19, a contact tracer from your local health department might call you to let you know and ask you to self-quarantine at home away from others. Discussions with health department staff are confidential. They will not ask for financial information.
- Keep in mind that scammers may try to take advantages of financial fears by calling with work-from-opportunities, debt consolidation offers, and student loan repayment plans.

Also stay in touch with your medical care provider for the latest information regarding vaccination appointments.
• Contact the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at ftc.gov/complaint if you receive messages from anyone claiming to be a government agent or if you believe you’ve been a victim of a COVID-19 related scam.

Emergency Financial First Aid Kit

The Emergency Financial First Aid Kit (EFFAK), a joint publication from Operation Hope and FEMA, can help you prepare financially and provides tips to reduce the financial impact of disasters on you and your family.

For more information on the EFFAK visit the EFFAK Community Page.

For Organizations

Encourage people throughout your organization or workplace to prepare financially. Here are some ideas to promote financial preparedness in your organization:

• Hold a brown bag meeting.
• Make a presentation at an existing staff meeting using Safeguard Critical Documents and Valuables to support your discussion.
• Include financial preparedness information in the staff monthly newsletter.

At Home

Store important documents either in a safety deposit box, an external drive or on the cloud to make it easy to access during a disaster.

Take time now to safeguard these critical documents. Be cautious about sharing personal financial information, such as your bank account number, social security number, or credit card number.

Household Identification

• Photo ID (to prove identity of household members)
• Birth certificate (to maintain or re-establish contact with family members)
• Social Security card (to apply for FEMA disaster assistance)
• Military service
• Pet ID tags

Financial and Legal Documentation

• Housing payments (to identify financial records and obligations)

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Some individuals and households may experience financial difficulty because of the pandemic. If you do not think you can pay your loan payments on time, immediately contact your bank and discuss your options before skipping any payments or taking any other actions contrary to the terms of your loans.

- Insurance policies (to re-establish financial accounts)
  - Review your travel insurance and health insurance to see how your policies handle pandemics and infectious disease outbreaks like coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- Sources of income (to maintain payments and credit)
- Tax statements (to provide contact information for financial and legal providers and to apply for FEMA disaster assistance)

Medical Information

- Physician information (in case medical care is needed)
- Copies of health insurance information (to make sure existing care continues uninterrupted)
- Immunization records
- Medications

Insurance Information

Having insurance for your home or business property is the best way to make sure you will have the necessary financial resources to help you repair, rebuild or replace whatever is damaged. Document and insure your property now.

Household Contact Information

- Banking institutions
- Insurance agents
- Health professionals
- Service providers
- Place of worship

Get Your Benefits Electronically

A disaster can disrupt mail service for days or weeks. If you depend on Social Security or other regular benefits, switching to electronic payments is a simple, significant way to protect yourself financially before disaster strikes. It also eliminates the risk of stolen checks. The U.S. Department of the Treasury recommends two safer ways to get federal benefits:

- Direct deposit to a checking or savings account. If you get federal benefits you can sign up by calling 800-333-1795 or sign up online.
- The Direct Express® prepaid debit card is designed as a safe and easy alternative to paper.

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Apply for government-funded unemployment, healthcare, and food and nutrition benefits to supplement your income or savings.


Consider using online and mobile banking services, if you are able. These services enable you to practice social distancing and conduct banking transactions at the same time. For more information visit [https://www.fdic.gov/consumers/consumer/news/covid-19.html](https://www.fdic.gov/consumers/consumer/news/covid-19.html).

**CERT REFRESHERS**

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**STOP THE BLEED IN-PERSON TRAINING**

In partnership with BH CPR an in-person hands-on training will take place on Saturday, May 15 at 10 am in the Municipal Gallery at City Hall, there is a maximum of 15 attendees, reserve your place registering at cert@beverlyhills.org subject line: STB

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