BEVERLY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

BEVERLY HILLS, June 26, 2021.

Dear CERT volunteers, Independence Day is approaching rapidly, with that in mind, gatherings, road trips, fireworks, bbq’s, in other words celebrations will take place and we have to be cautious, especially when it comes to fire grilling; definitely fireworks are only safe when we gaze at them from designated points.

For the latest COVID-19 news, visit beverlyhills.org/coronavirus or call the City’s COVID-19 Hotline Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. at 310-550-4680.

This week information, as follows:

- COVID-19 report
- JUST IN CASE BH Zone 7 walk on July 24 at 9:30 am
- Disaster Preparedness
- CERT Callout Team ongoing registrations
- Public Announcements

If you have questions, comments or concerns about the CERT program, please contact us at cert@beverlyhills.org

Neighbors helping neighbors.
Effectiveness and Secondary Benefits of mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines

A new CDC study shows mRNA COVID-19 vaccines reduce risk of infection by 91%.

Other benefits for people who were fully¹ or partially² vaccinated and still got COVID-19 include:

- Fewer sick days in bed
- Less likely to have fever or chills
- May be less likely to spread virus to others

Everyone 12 years and older is now eligible to get a COVID-19 vaccination.

Get vaccinated as soon as you can.

For more information, please visit: www.publichealth.lacounty.gov

Also stay in touch with your medical care provider for the latest information regarding vaccination appointments.
City of Beverly Hills Repeals Certain Emergency Regulations Related to the COVID-19 Urgency Ordinance

Beverly Hills, CA – The Beverly Hills City Council voted Thursday to repeal certain local COVID-19 related emergency regulations and align with both the State of California and Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH).

The following items have been removed from the City’s Urgency Ordinance, effective immediately:

- Social distancing requirements for patrons waiting in queues;
- Special health and safety measures for employees and customers including but not limited to any additional glove and mask requirements the City had imposed beyond state and federal guidelines;
- Prohibition on the increase in Internet access fees;
- Prohibition of the sale of self-service unwrapped food items (such as buffets);
- Suspending the prohibition on non-recyclable bags.

The Council also voted to align with LACDPH guidelines that require unvaccinated individuals to wear face coverings when indoors such as inside City Hall and its facilities. Following the County’s guidance related to Youth Centers, the Beverly Hills Public Library, Community Centers and Greystone Mansion will require face coverings regardless of vaccination status due to the presence of children under the age of 12 inside those facilities.

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Employers and workplaces must continue to comply with Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards. Employers may allow fully vaccinated employees not to wear face coverings indoors, but must document their vaccination status.

At the upcoming City Council meeting on July 15, the City Council will consider updates to additional items in the urgency ordinance including:

- Suspension of penalties and interest on business taxes;
- Duration for imposition of restrictions on 3rd party delivery services;
- Timeline for enforcement of the City’s sign and banner code;
- Delegation to the City Manager to issue street closure permits and other permits for outdoor dining;
- Loading zones to facilitate curbside pickup;
- Prohibition on residential evictions for nonpayment of rent and prohibition of rent increases.

Beginning July 15, City Council meetings will resume in-person and continue to be offered virtually for the public’s convenience with Commission meetings expected to follow in the coming weeks.

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"JUST IN CASE, BH brings Residents, City services together each other before, emergencies through organizational communication."

As a CERT member we encourage you to participate and also to let everyone know for a better community.

Watch Fire Chief Greg Barton’s message [https://vimeo.com/510836137](https://vimeo.com/510836137)

SIGN UP WITH THE FOLLOWING LINK:

**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/](https://gis.beverlyhills.org/VBH/MyJICBHZone_FinderApp/)

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For more information, please visit: www.justincasebh.org

The JUST IN CASE BH program is making a great progress, but we need your participation to make it successful, but most importantly make it your plan-to-go for your safety, and your community.

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The Just In Case BH program is offering emergency kits through Beverly Hills CPR. Automated External Defibrillator, AED can be purchased for any home or facility. Stop by to purchase The Bleed kits are available for purchase, as well CPR books.
Home Fires

In just two minutes a fire can become life-threatening. In five minutes, a residence can be engulfed in flames.

Learn About Fires

- **Fire is FAST!** In less than 30 seconds a small flame can turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for thick black smoke to fill a house or for it to be engulfed in flames.
- **Fire is HOT!** Heat is more threatening than flames. Room temperatures in a fire can be 100 degrees at floor level and rise to 600 degrees at eye level. Inhaling this super-hot air will scorch your lungs and melt clothes to your skin.
- **Fire is DARK!** Fire starts bright, but quickly produces black smoke and complete darkness.

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• **Fire is DEADLY!** Smoke and toxic gases kill more people than flames do. Fire produces poisonous gases that make you disoriented and drowsy. Asphyxiation is the leading cause of fire deaths, exceeding burns by a 3-to-1 ratio.

Prevent Home Fires

Home fires are preventable! The following are simple steps that each of us can take to prevent a tragedy.

Cooking

• Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time turn off the stove.
• Wear short, close-fitting or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking.
• Position barbecue grills at least 10 feet away from siding and deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
• Keep a fire extinguisher available.

Electrical and Appliance Safety

• Frayed wires can cause fires. Replace all worn, old or damaged appliance cords immediately and do not run cords under rugs or furniture.
• If an appliance has a three-prong plug, use it only in a three-slot outlet. Never force it to fit into a two-slot outlet or extension cord.
• Immediately shut off, then professionally replace, light switches that are hot to the touch and lights that flicker.

Fireplaces and Woodstoves

• Inspect and clean woodstove pipes and chimneys annually and check monthly for damage or obstructions.
• Use a fireplace screen heavy enough to stop rolling logs and big enough to cover the entire opening of the fireplace to catch flying sparks.
• Make sure the fire is completely out before leaving the house or going to bed.

Children

• Take the mystery out of fire play by teaching children that fire is a tool, not a toy.
• Store matches and lighters out of children’s reach and sight, preferably in a locked cabinet.
• Never leave children unattended near operating stoves or burning candles, even for a short time.

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Mickey Fine and The City of Beverly Hills
Invite you to a Vaccination Clinic for Children of Essential Workers (Ages 12-15)

SUNDAY JUNE 27TH
with follow-up appointments Sunday July 18th

9am - 2pm
Mickey Fine Pharmacy
433 N Roxbury Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Appointments available at VACCINE.MICKEYFINE.COM
Questions? Call (310) 271-6123

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CERT CALLOUT TEAM

HIDRATION UNIT, RED FLAG PATROL, DOWNED WIRE WATCH

The BHFD-CERT is actively looking for volunteers to join the Callout Team to have an active participation within the training acquired. Please sign up at cert@beverlyhills.org subject line: COT

Thank you to the CERT volunteers who already signed up!

Follow and Share our BHFD and Just in Case BH Social Media sites:
Facebook @BeverlyHillsFire Instagram @beverlyhillsfd Twitter @CityofBHFire
Facebook @JustincaseBH

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.

Respectfully,
Gabriel Mier
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City of Beverly Hills
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