



## UPDATE FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION & PARKS ON OPERATIONAL CHANGES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

As the situation surrounding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) evolves, the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) is providing an update on changes to programming, events and facility usage. RAP will continue to prioritize the health and safety of our staff, program participants, park guests, team members, and community. RAP is working closely with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) and City leaders to ensure parks and the community receive credible information and guidance during this challenging time.

Out of an abundance of caution and in accordance with guidance from State and local health officials to prevent the spread of COVID-19, RAP is implementing following changes effective as of **March 13, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. through April 4, 2020:**

- All recreation centers will be closed. All recreation and cultural programming at all facilities will be canceled. This includes all recreational and cultural activities, indoor and outdoor sports leagues, aquatics classes, instructional courses, and group sessions. **EXCEPTION:** Access to census stations will be permitted, but there shall be no more than 50 people at a time in the facility.
- All Senior Citizen Centers will be closed. Dining centers for older adults will be contacting participants to provide information regarding meal distribution at the dining centers beginning Monday, March 16, 2020. Home delivered meals will continue to be delivered. Older adults can contact the centers they participate at directly or reach the LA City Department of Aging at 213-482-7252. The Department of Aging is reachable Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm for more information regarding meal services.
- Outdoor park space and amenities will remain open during regular park hours.
- Restrooms accessible to the outdoors will remain open during regular operating hours.
- The Griffith Observatory will be closed as well as Travel Town, Train Rides, Pony Rides and the Merry Go Round.
- The Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, Sherman Oaks Castle and the EXPO Center will be closed.
- All aquatics facilities will be closed.
- Golf courses will remain open but subject to change.
- All events and permits of 50 people or more at all RAP sites or locations are canceled.
- New reservations for facilities or permits at RAP locations will be temporarily suspended.

RAP encourages people to visit the LA County's Public Health website for information and guidance, available in multiple languages, on COVID-19:  
<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus>.

*For more information about Department of Recreation and Parks events, activities, services, programs, and facilities, go to [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org), or call 311, or (213) 202-2700.*