



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

A COMMUNITY BASED NEWSLETTER BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE MONROVIA AREA PARTNERSHIP TEAM

YOUR "WORK FROM HOME" MAP TEAM



**SHEILA
SPICER-BATICE**

GREETINGS MAP LEADERS,

I PRAY THAT ALL OF YOU ARE WELL, STAYING SAFE, EXERCISING REGULARLY, EATING HEALTHY (MOST OF THE TIME), FOCUSING ON ALL OF OUR MANY BLESSINGS AND THAT YOU'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO US ALL GETTING TOGETHER SOON! NOW, THE NEXT TIME THAT WE SEE EACH OTHER MIGHT BE ON A SCREEN, BUT AT LEAST WE WILL BE ABLE TO SEE EACH OTHER'S SMILING FACES. AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW, CITY STAFF ARE ALL CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES AND HAVE BEEN WORKING THROUGH THIS CRISIS MOSTLY REMOTELY FROM HOME. SOME OF US, LIKE MYSELF, WORK SOME DAYS IN THE OFFICE AND SOME DAYS AT HOME. I MUST SAY THAT I HAVE BEEN VERY PRODUCTIVE WHILE WORKING AT HOME, BUT THERE ARE DEFINITELY DIFFERENT ROUTINES AND UNEXPECTED HAPPENINGS WHEN WORKING FROM HOME . . .

- YOU REALLY ONLY HAVE TO COMB YOUR HAIR OR PUT ON A NICE TOP (PAJAMAS AND BARE FEET ARE FINE FOR YOUR BOTTOM HALF) WHEN YOU KNOW THAT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE A VIDEO MEETING. SEE THE PICTURE.
- FACETIME AND ZOOM MEETINGS ARE NOW THE WAY THAT WE HAVE STAFF MEETINGS, BUT SOMETIMES THE INTERNET ACTS UP AND FACES FREEZE.
- YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ASK A FAMILY MEMBER TO LOWER THE VOLUME OF THE TV THAT THEY ARE WATCHING IN THE NEXT ROOM.
- SOMETIMES I CAN ACTUALLY START DINNER ON MY "LUNCH BREAK"
- THERE IS A REASON WHY DESKS AND CHAIRS ARE ERGONOMICALLY PLACED IN THE OFFICE; IT'S TO PREVENT THAT PERMANENT HUNCHED OVER POSITION THAT YOU GET WHEN YOU'RE WORKING AT YOUR HOME DESK, CHAIR, BED ,ETC.

WITH ALL OF THAT BEING SAID, I AM JUST GRATEFUL FOR OUR WONDERFUL AND HARDWORKING STAFF MEMBERS; I AM GRATEFUL TO BE A PART OF SUCH A GREAT COMMUNITY AND TO HAVE SUCH AWESOME COMMUNITY PARTNERS SUCH AS YOURSELVES! WE ARE ALL GOING TO COME OUT OF THIS PERIOD AN EVEN STRONGER COMMUNITY THAN BEFORE! BLESSINGS TO YOU ALL AND SEE YOU SOON!
- SHEILA



**ALEKS
AKOPYAN**

AS CRAZY AS THESE TIMES HAVE BEEN, MYSELF, MY HUSBAND, AND OF COURSE, OUR DOG LINK (HE'S A NEW MAP LEADER BY THE WAY!) HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FOCUS ON THE POSITIVES OF THIS EXPERIENCE. ONE OF THOSE THINGS IS BY IMPROVING OUR COOKING AND BAKING SKILLS! IF YOU LIKE SALSA OR WANT TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT LIKE ARMENIAN STYLE MANTI, FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO ME FOR THE RECIPES. BOTH DISHES ARE EQUALLY DELICIOUS AND ARE RECIPES PASSED DOWN FROM MY GRANDPARENTS ON BOTH MY ARMENIAN SIDE AND MY MEXICAN SIDE! BESIDES THAT, I CANNOT WAIT TO GET BACK TO NORMAL AND SEE OUR MAP FAMILY IN PERSON WHEN IT IS SAFE TO DO SO. TILL THEN, I TRUST THAT WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER, EVEN IF IT IS VIRTUALLY! STAY SAFE AND WELL EVERYONE!
-ALEKS



**LAUREN
DAVIDSMEIER**

DURING THIS TIME I HAVE BRUSHED UP ON MY PAINTING SKILLS, PUN INTENDED, GETTING OUTSIDE A BIT MORE AND SPENDING TIME WITH MY TWO PUPS! I FEEL LIKE THIS EXPERIENCE HAS MADE ME MORE THANKFUL FOR MY LIFE AND ALL OF THE WONDERFUL THINGS THAT I NORMALLY TAKE FOR GRANTED. I THINK WE WILL ALL COME OUT OF THIS STRONGER AND WITH MORE GRATITUDE FOR ONE ANOTHER AND EVERYTHING LIFE HAS TO OFFER! I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ALL AGAIN AND GET THIS MAP FAMILY BACK TOGETHER!
-LAUREN

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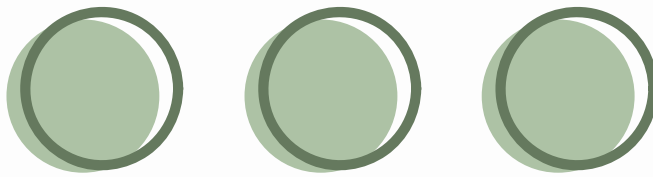
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 [CITYOFMONROVIA.ORG/MAP](https://www.cityofmonrovia.org/map)

To get updates on COVID-19, visit [cityofmonrovia.org/COVID-19](https://www.cityofmonrovia.org/COVID-19)



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CITY MANAGER!

Spring 2020 is a season to remember! Since March 16th, our lives have been consumed by COVID-19 updates, Safer at Home Health Orders and learning the difference between isolation and quarantine! For purposes of the Safer at Home Health Order, we distinguish between Essential Business and a Non-Essential Business. But do we really think that some businesses are any more/less important than others? From my vantage point, our beautiful Monrovia thrives when all of our businesses are open and supporting our local economy. In many ways, I think we will begin measuring our lives in “pre-COVID” and “post-COVID” frames of mind –

- If I feel ill, I will stay home from work. And if a coworker tells me he/she is ill, I am happy to speak up and send the person home.
- My first paycheck came when I worked at a grocery store. Never have I had a deeper appreciation for grocery store employees. In addition, I long for the days where I can meander the aisles without worry of crowd control.
- When parks, trails and playgrounds are closed, we lose the physical, social and mental health amenities we have grown to cherish. And I hope I’ll never again have to order removal of basketball rims at public parks, nor restrict access to trails and public grounds.
- Old Town Monrovia is a special, unique place with beautiful aesthetics. But I learned that uniqueness comes from the business owners who contribute to our community, not the buildings themselves. When our businesses are closed, we lose the charm and intrigue that makes Monrovia so unique.

Looking forward, every Monrovia will play a role in “normalizing” our community after this pandemic. Businesses will be allowed to reopen. Schools will resume and kids will return to learning. Residents will be invited to support businesses, attend special events, and gather for celebrations. The trails will open and so will Canyon Park.

I have so much hope in my heart and confidence in my mind that “this too will pass.” I am forever an eternal optimist and will look forward to the good things. For example –

- The 6th and final phase of Monrovia Renewal Northeast Section will begin in early May. The ambitious \$54m project is near completion...our community has turned our subpar roads, sidewalks and underground utilities into the best among the State.
- We have learned new ways to do things. For Monrovia Days 2020, we had a virtual birthday bash where Monrovians were asked to submit a 20-second video to help create a commemorative video with birthday wishes from our entire community. To see the final production, visit www.monroviadays.org.
- The most important story of all ...Los Angeles County residents have performed – and are continuing to perform – by adhering to Safer at Home guidelines. Sure, we all saw people out-and-about without a mask. Or some non-essential businesses remained open. And who didn’t see large groups of people playing at the parks? But the real story is that when California was the FIRST in the nation to issue a statewide Safer at Home Order, Angelenos were already remaining Safer at Home and we’ve been more sedentary since March than most other communities in this country. We helped “bend/flatten the curve.” We haven’t crossed the finish line but don’t ever let anyone discount the fruits of our labors.

Every morning I begin work, I pray for the wellness of our community. You’re in the hearts, minds and prayers of this City’s leadership every day. The Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and City Council, as well as City staff.

Take care, stay healthy, and keep washing those hands!



COVID-19 RESPONSE

HOW YOUR CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL ARE RESPONDING

City Council

The Monrovia City Council understands the significant impact that this pandemic has on our community. During this time, the Council remains dedicated to the well-being of the community by holding emergency meetings, removing barriers that may not allow for essential services to be provided, and researching policies to ensure that our community will not only recover from this situation, but emerge as an even stronger city.

On Tuesday, March 17, the Monrovia City Council approved titled “Proclamation of Existence of Local Emergenc. The Resolution was forwarded to the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services. The continued existence of a local state of emergency enables the City to seek reimbursement for expenditures made responding to the emergency. For the first time ever, Council also met via teleconference pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order N-25-20 whereby City Council members may participate in public meetings via teleconference.

The City Council has approved several measures which are intended to positively impact the community during this difficult time, including :

- Suspending discontinuation or shut-off of water service for residents and businesses in the City for non-payment of water bills
- Suspending the imposition of late payment penalties or fees for delinquent water and/or sewer bills
- Suspending parking enforcement activities except for illegal parking considered a hazard or danger to the public or illegally parked RV's
- Suspending the imposition of late payment penalties or fees for parking violations in the City.
- Business License payment defferal
- Residential and Commercial Eviction Moratorium

The City Council has also provided direction to protect the health and safety of City employees including firefighters, paramedics, police officers, public works crews and other City employees to ensure continuity of essential public services.

These measures take effect immediately and will continue throughout the duration of the Local Emergency unless modified. Council is regularly considering policy matters during this emergency and will meet to discuss at their next meeting or more frequently as needed.

City Manager’s Office

The City Manager’s Office is responsible for preparing public notices, press releases and communicating on behalf of the City. At this time, the City Manager’s Office is preparing to provide daily updates related to COVID-19 so Monrovia know where to get latest information.

In addition, the City Manager is designated as the City’s Emergency Services Director. This means that in the event a Disaster Proclamation is necessary, the manager would request the City Council to make such a proclamation if Council is in session, or may issue the proclamation when out of session, provided Council formally adopts within seven (7) days. A Disaster Proclamation recognizes the existence of a local emergency and assists the City to mobilize resources and provide emergency response.

Personnel policies and procedures, as well as general updates to employees, are also provided by the City Manager’s Office. Communicating effective training, hygiene and updates are important for our first responders, public works crews and hundreds of city employees to pursue a safe working environment.

COVID-19 RESOURCES



MONROVIA STRONG

WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER

The City of Monrovia has developed [Monrovia Strong](#) to help us all come together, at a distance, and be the strong community we've always been! Listed on the City Website is an abundance of online resources for just about anything you can imagine. We know that this time can be difficult, unknown and overwhelming, but we are here to help in any way we can.

Below are a few examples of resources that Monrovia Strong, during this new way of life. Check out the Monrovia Strong page, which includes dozens of links, activities and resources.



Canyon Park Virtual Mindful Meditation

A wonderful opportunity to begin or deepen your mindfulness meditation techniques at these live online meetings on Mondays at 7 pm.



Monrovia Library Storytimes

Librarians are sharing stories and songs on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays at 11am on the Library's Facebook and Instagram pages.



Crafts from Home

Library Staff will show you how to make simple crafts from home with supplies you have around the house! You can find the videos on the Library's Facebook and Instagram pages.



Covered Dish

Stories of beauty, kindness, and hope during the Coronavirus crisis.



BOKS at Home

Games and activities to keep kids active and happy during this difficult time. Plus, they are hosting Facebook Live workouts weekdays at 12pm EST.



Free Broadband & WIFI Access for Students

Charter is offering free Spectrum broadband and Wi-Fi access until June 30th, to households with K-12 and/or college students who do not already have a Spectrum broadband subscription and at any service level up to 100 Mbps.

COVID-19 RESOURCES HIGHLIGHTS



MAP is so thankful to Foothill Unity Center for their continued efforts in assisting Monrovia residents as well as surrounding cities in numerous ways. We have seen our community come together and with great partnerships with organizations like Foothill Unity, we can do anything!

If you would like to donate or see how you can help, contact the Foothill Unity Center at (626) 358-3486



NON-PROFITS LOCATED IN MONROVIA



- [Foothill Unity Center, Inc.](#)
- [Here to Serve Inc.](#)
- [The MJO Hope Foundation](#)
- [St. Baldrick's Foundation](#)
- [Community Media of the Foothills](#)
- [San Gabriel Valley LGBTQ Center](#)
- [Center Stage Inc.](#)
- [World Harvest](#)

COMMUNITY POLICING



In these times of uncertainty, the members of the Monrovia Police Department remain 100% committed to the service of our community. We will continue responding to all calls as necessary. We are actively working with our City, County, state, and federal partners to provide you with the most up-to-date information as it pertains to the #Coronavirus. Please visit the City of Monrovia's webpage for facts, safety precautions and the City's response plan. For additional information be sure to follow Centers for Disease Control and Los Angeles County Department of Public Health for the latest info.

Beware of COVID19 scams:

- DO NOT click on emails/links/attachments you don't recognize
- IGNORE fraudulent online offers for COVID-19 cures/treatments
- BEWARE of fraudulent fundraising campaigns/donation requests for cash, gift cards/credit cards
- REPORT price gouging

If you have witnessed or experienced a Coronavirus related scam or price gouging, please call the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office Hotline at (213) 257-2450.



CAP TIP SCAM TIPS

While we haven't had any reports of these types of scams striking the City of Monrovia residents yet, these are some simple tips you can use to avoid falling victim to a scam or hoax.

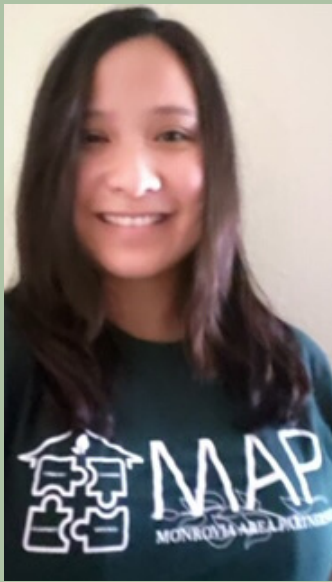
- Ignore fraudulent online offers for vaccinations and home test kits related to COVID-19.
- Decline door-to-door solicitations claiming COVID-19 fundraising.
- Beware of fraudulent fundraising campaigns/donation requests for cash, gift cards/credit cards.
 - Know who you're buying from, especially online.
 - Don't respond to texts and emails about checks from the government.
 - Don't click on links from sources you don't know.
- Watch for emails claiming to be from the Centers for Disease Control and prevention (CDC).
 - Fact check all information and only use verified sources and authorities. For updated information visit the website first-hand at www.cdc.gov

MESSAGE OF HOPE

We reached out to all of our MAP Leaders to see how they're staying active and uplifted during this experience. We are all in this together, even when we're physically apart, we are all here for one another.

Life has been very different for all of us at this time. As we stay home and observe public health guidelines, let's also remember to stay connected to our community in whatever way we can. I am trying to take it one day at a time and I feel extremely fortunate to be your neighbor. Stay strong, Monrovia!

-Katelyn Do



Greetings from, MAP Leader and Monrovia 2019 Older American **Betty Thomas**

I am doing fine. Monrovia is a great place to be living at this "stay safe at home" time. I was very disappointed about not having our conference. I miss the community activities. I miss going to work. Most of all I miss going to church. I miss my frequent visits with my family. I am a very social person. I am doing well mentally and physically. I will be 78 years next month and feel very blessed. I take walks when it has not rained. On sunny days, I sit under the sun in my back yard. Sunshine is a great source for Vitamin D, which is good for your immune system. I eat healthy which is has not been difficult for me. Less activity, being home, and less social interaction can result in overeating or eating unhealthy snacks instead of eating vegetables and fruit, which are in good supply. Monrovia has great faucet water which facilitates getting enough water. I read, work, do puzzles, call friends and family. I call my grandchildren and tell them I like to talk to them on the telephone. Staying safe means not just staying at home. It is important to keep yourself mentally and physically well. One suggestion is to organize a scheduled daily zoom workout with family members and/or friends. Jumping rope is good exercise. I am looking forward to getting back to active Monrovia. Monrovia is a GREAT place to live, retire and be an active senior. I hope when we can have a MAP meeting ALL the MAP leaders will be there to celebrate.



Sarah Farmer Earll here with some helpful tips on what you can do while staying #saferathome:

- Maintain appropriate positioning – stay 6 ft or more away from others while out in public!
- Mulch around plants – prepare your garden for the upcoming heatwave!
- Make a pinata – start a creative project using newspapers for papier-mâché, decorate it and fill it with your favorite treats! Manage Anxiety Proactively – these are stressful times for everyone, so take it easy on yourself and others.
- Meditation, activity or prayer might help to calm your mind.
- Mail a postcard – people love to receive mail, so let them know you're thinking about them!
- Alternatively, you can always make a phone call to those you love.
- Mind all precautions – do the easy things to keep you and your family safe, by washing hands, covering your mouth, staying at home.
- Marvel at people and the good works they are doing to make our world a better place.

If you feel inspired, then sign up for leadership training with the [Monrovia Area Partnership!](#)

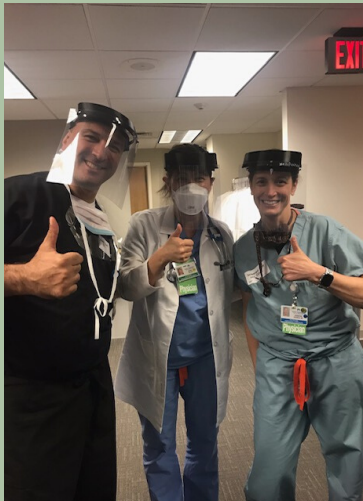


I hope you are well!

We support the community in many many other ways such as buying and delivering food to neighbor in need, distributing care packages to homeless on the street, and staying in contact with the Monrovia Makers (50 seniors). - **Mary Brown and Arnold Winer**



Picture on the left - knitted version of COVID 19.



Pictured on the right - satisfied customers of shields.

Love is Hope!
-Mira Chen



MAP LEADER HIGHLIGHTS & CODE TIP!

VANESSA MILLS | MAP YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY GRADUATE



In fall of 2019, Monrovia Area Partnership Youth Leader Vanessa Mills was promoted to Captain of the Police Explorers for the Monrovia Police Department. In January of 2020, for the 2nd year in a row, she and her fellow explorers won the Detective Carlos Ledesma Award given for the greatest level of spirit, sportsmanship, and dedication at the Chandler Explorer Tactical Competition in Arizona. They also placed 3rd for "Rapid Response" in an active shooter scenario having also taken home the top position the year prior. Vanessa also recently served as Cadre Captain for the San Gabriel Valley Law Enforcement Explorer Academy, Class #95. In February 2020, 20 cadets graduated from the explorer academy under her leadership. While in high school, Vanessa serves as a math and English tutor, a member of several campus clubs, and was recently voted as President of Healing Connections (Bring Change to Mind).

ALYCIA MILLS | MAP YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY GRADUATE



After graduating from Monrovia High School in 2019, Monrovia Area Partnership Youth Leader Alycia Mills completed her Monrovia YES Internship working in Canyon Park helping with family hikes, cook outs, and trail maintenance. She's currently a freshman at California State University Los Angeles as a Pre-Public Health major. At the university Alycia serves as a Peer Health Educator on behalf of the Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC). She provides advisement at SHAC's Health Huts located throughout the university. Her current health sub-committee is Sleep and Relaxation.

Before we get to the tip, please be assured that our Code Enforcement Staff is sensitive to the current crisis caused by the COVID19 pandemic and during these difficult times will work with our community members who might need a little extra time to correct code violations (that don't present immediate safety hazards). We will also work with business owners who might need a little extra time to pay their business licenses. You can email Code Enforcement at ce@ci.monrovia.ca.us. We are all in this together and will come out of this Monrovia Strong!



CODE ENFORCEMENT TIP



Spring Cleaning

People are taking this time to do their Spring Cleaning

- Don't forget to call Athens for pick-up of Large and Bulky items
- Please call Athens at (888) 836-6100

Construction Projects

- Building, Planner and Code Enforcement Staff are still providing services.
- Don't forget to check to see if you need a permit for your remodeling projects.
- Make sure to get your permit before you start your project.
- Please call (626) 932-5581 for questions

VIRTUAL MAP EVENT CALENDAR

JUNE 2020

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EVENTS

- July 25 - Anniversary Block Party
- June 20, August 22, & Oct 24 - MAP-edu
- September 2 - October 14 - YLA
- September 3 - October 15 - ALA
- July 11 & Nov 14 - Potential NT Unveiling

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW!



City of Monrovia

RESIDENTIAL RENTERS | COVID-19

INFORMATION & RESOURCES

On Tuesday, March 31st, the City Council approved an Urgency Ordinance which adopted emergency regulations that prohibit residential evictions for non-payment of rent and "no-fault" evictions. The ordinance took effect immediately and will remain in place through the duration of COVID-19 emergency declaration.

- During the existence of the local emergency, no residential property owner or agent shall take any action, or threaten, to evict a tenant in either of the following situations -
 - Nonpayment of rent, late fees, or other fees or charges, if the landlord knows that the tenant is unable to pay the same due to financial impacts related to COVID-19
 - No-fault eviction unless immediately necessary for the health and safety of tenants, neighbors or the landlord, other than based on illness of the tenant or any other occupant of the residential rental
- Tenant must notify the landlord
 - Tenant must give notice of inability to pay rent within 7 days after the date rent is due.
 - Tenant must notify landlord in writing that tenant has incurred financial impacts as defined by the ordinance (See below)
 - Within 30 days after the date rent is due, tenant must provide written documentation to landlord to support the tenant's inability to pay all or part of the rent due.
- For purposes of this ordinance, "financial impacts" means -
 - Loss of the tenant's monthly household income due to business closure
 - Loss of compensable hours of work or wages
 - Extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses
- A financial impact is "related to COVID-19" if resulted from any of the following-
 - Tenant's own diagnosis with COVID-19 or the tenant's need to care for a household or immediate family member who is diagnosed with COVID-19
 - Layoff, loss of hours, or other income reduction resulting from business closure or other economic or employer impacts
 - Compliance with a recommendation or order from the County Health Officer to stay at home, isolate, self-quarantine, or avoid congregating with others during the COVID-19 state of emergency.
 - Extraordinary out-of-pocket expenses related to diagnosis and testing for treatment of COVID-19
 - Additional child care costs arising from school closures related to COVID-19
- During the period of local emergency, all residential tenants shall pay timely that portion of the rent the tenant is able to pay.
 - Nothing in this ordinance relieves tenants of any liability for unpaid rent which landlords may seek after expiration of the local emergency.
 - Tenants must pay all rent that is due within 6 months following the termination of this local emergency. All tenants are encouraged to work hand-in-hand with landlords.
- Finally, this ordinance prevents the enforcement of non-payment eviction notices, no-fault eviction notices, and unlawful detainer actions based on such notices and may be used as defense to any such action by a landlord in violation of this ordinance.

If a Monrovia tenant notifies their landlord of an inability to pay rent due to financial impacts of COVID-19, the landlord cannot serve an eviction notice, file or prosecute an unlawful detainer action based on a three-day pay or quit notice, or otherwise endeavor to evict the tenant for nonpayment of rent. Tenants may use the Monrovia moratorium as an affirmative defense in an unlawful detainer or other action brought by landlord to recover possession of the rental unit. The City will not engage as intermediary between landlords and tenants.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- **City of Monrovia | Covid-19 questions**
Email: pio@ci.monrovia.ca.us
<https://www.cityofmonrovia.org>
- **Pasadena Housing Rights Center**
(800) 477-5977
Email: info@housingrightscenter.org
- **Employment Development Department Unemployment**
<https://www.edd.ca.gov>
- **LA County Department of Mental Health**
(800) 854-7771
- **Foothill Unity Center | Food**
415 West Chestnut Ave.
Monrovia, CA
626-358-3486



City of Monrovia

COMMERCIAL RENTERS | COVID-19

INFORMATION & RESOURCES

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- During the existence of the local emergency, no commercial property owner or agent shall take any action, or threaten, to evict a tenant in either of the following situations
 - Nonpayment of rent, late fees, or other fees or charges, if the landlord knows that the tenant is unable to pay the same due to financial impacts related to COVID-19
 - No-fault eviction unless immediately necessary for the health and safety of tenants, neighbors or the landlord, other than based on illness of the tenant or any other occupant of the tenant or any other occupant
- Tenant must notify the landlord
 - Tenant must give notice of inability to pay rent within 7 days after the date rent is due.
 - Tenant must notify landlord in writing that tenant has incurred financial impacts as defined by the ordinance
 - Within 30 days after the date rent is due, tenant must provide written documentation to landlord to support the tenant’s inability to pay all or part of the rent due.
 - Also, it is important that tenant has applied for applicable state and federal aid programs and must supply to the landlord.
- For purposes of this ordinance, “financial impacts” means
 - Loss of the tenant’s monthly business income due to business closure
 - Loss of compensable business, sales, or fees
 - Extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses
- A financial impact is “related to COVID-19” if resulted from any of the following
 - A key employee or manager of the tenant’s diagnosis with COVID-19 or that person’s need to care for a household or immediate family member who is diagnosed with COVID-19
 - Loss of business, fees or business income resulting from the Safer at Home Order, a business closure, or other economic impacts of COVID-19
 - Compliance with a recommendation or order from the County Health Officer to close the business, stay at home, isolate, self-quarantine, or avoid congregating with others during the COVID-19 state of emergency.
 - Extraordinary out-of-pocket expenses related to diagnosis and testing for treatment of COVID-19
 - The business owner, manager or key employees’ need to provide additional child care costs arising from school closures related to COVID-19
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<https://www.cityofmonrovia.org>
- **Employment Development Department | Unemployment**
<https://www.edd.ca.gov>
- **Coronavirus Relief Options | SBA**
<https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options>
- **Foothill Unity Center | Food**
415 West Chestnut Ave.
Monrovia, CA
(626) 358-3486
- **County of Los Angeles Business Concierge**
(800) 593-8222 or (844) 432-4900
Email: concierge@dcba.covid19.lacounty.gov
- **COVID-19 Business Information | LA County**
<https://www.covid19.lacounty.gov/covid19-2/consumers-businesses/for-businesses/>
- **County of Los Angeles Rapid Response/ Layoff Aversion**
bizdev@wdacs.covid19.lacounty.gov
(213) 810-1641
- **US Small Business Administration**
<https://www.sba.gov/page/coronavirus-covid-19-small-business-guidance-loan-resources>
(323) 881-1871
- **Monrovia Chamber of Commerce**
620 S Myrtle Ave. Monrovia, CA 91016
<https://www.monroviacc.com>
(626) 358-1159