



ADVISORY 26 ON THE 2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)

COVID-19 cases in Southern California, Southern Nevada, and Arizona (as of 26 April 2020)

- **Southern California:** 32,252 COVID-19 cases with 1,300 deaths
- **Southern Nevada:** 3,665 COVID-19 cases with 174 deaths
- **State of Arizona:** 6,526 COVID-19 cases with 275 deaths

The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles reminds Filipinos and Filipino-Americans in Southern California, Southern Nevada and Arizona that President Rodrigo Roa Duterte approved a recommendation on 24 April 2020 that **the enhanced community quarantine (ECQ) in Metro Manila, Central Luzon and Calabarzon and in the provinces of Pangasinan, Benguet, Albay, Catanduanes and Mindoro remains in effect until May 15, 2020.** For details, please access:

https://pcoo.gov.ph/news_releases/president-duterte-extends-restriction-in-metro-manila-central-luzon-other-areas-until-may-15/

Protocols for Overseas Filipino Workers returning to the Philippines also remain in effect and can be accessed at:

https://www.philippineconsulatela.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/ABFE3_RGO_MGL_-Advisory-24-COVID19-22042020.pdf

HELPFUL INFORMATION

For our Kababayan in Southern California:

1. Several **Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) deadlines were given extension for 60 days** including for **expired drivers' licenses, identification cards, temporary permits and vehicle registration.** For details, please access:
<https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/N-54-20-COVID-19-text-4.22.20.pdf>
2. Retailers, particularly grocery stores, are now allowed to provide **bags to customers without charge** and pause redemption of beverage containers in-store. For details, please access the same link above.

In the City of Los Angeles:

3. **Elderly and seniors** can sign up for **free meal delivery** by calling **(213) 263 5226**;
4. Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) in the City of Los Angeles are required to offer their residents, employees and contractors diagnostic testing for COVID-19 free of charge and administered by trained personnel at least once every month. Details of the Public Order is available at:
<https://www.lamayor.org/sites/g/files/wph446/f/page/file/OrderTestingSkilledNursingFacilities.pdf>



For testing materials and training, operators of SNFs may request direct assistance from the City of Los Angeles Emergency Operations Center by visiting: <https://corona-virus.la>.

In Orange County

5. Residents may now **text OCCOVID19 to 888777 to receive updates and resources** related to COVID-19;
6. **Online food purchase** through the **Electronic Benefit Transfer** will be available with **Amazon and Walmart beginning 28 April 2020**.

In San Bernardino County

7. County Residents can now get **daily COVID-19 news updates sent directly to their email** by clicking the "Get email updates on the latest COVID-19 news" link on the County's homepage:
<http://www.sbcounty.gov/main/default.aspx>
or the County's COVID-19 page: <http://sbccovid19.com>

In Riverside County

8. County residents who are experiencing the stress and challenges surrounding the coronavirus pandemic have free access to live counseling support via text chat through **a new app called TakeMyHand.co**. For more information, please visit: <https://takemyhand.co>

For our Kababayan in Southern Nevada:

9. A step-by-step **online domestic violence temporary protective order (TPO) application** is available at:
https://nevada.tylerhost.net/SRL/SRL/Start?legalProcessKey=Domestic_Violence_Temporary_Protective_Order

The application form can be submitted via email. Upon submission, the applicant will be set for a telephonic hearing. Applications must be sent before 4:00 p.m. to secure a same-day phone-in hearing.

10. The Silver State Health Insurance Exchange warns consumers to be extra mindful of **insurance-related scams due to an increase in fraudulent activity**. **To verify** licensure of persons or companies trying to sell you insurance, please access the Division of Insurance at: <https://di.nv.gov/ins/f?p=licensing:search>.

The Filipino-American community shall be informed of any developments in the Consulate General's work schedule with adequate lead time through an Advisory to be posted on the Consulate General's official website and Facebook page. END.