

**ADVISORY 13 ON THE 2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)****COVID-19 cases in Southern California, Southern Nevada, and Arizona***(as of 20 March 2020)*

- **Southern California** has **482** COVID-19 cases with **6 deaths**
- **Southern Nevada** has reported **74** COVID-19 cases with **1 death**
- **State of Arizona** has confirmed **78** COVID-19 cases with **0 deaths**

The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles informs Filipinos and Filipino-Americans in Southern California, Southern Nevada and Arizona of the following emergency orders announced by your local and state governments advising residents to **STAY HOME**:

1. Executive Order N-33-20 issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom on 19 March 2020 and can be accessed at <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.19.20-attested-EO-N-33-20-COVID-19-HEALTH-ORDER.pdf>;
2. Nevada Health Response Covid-19 Risk Mitigation Initiative implemented by Nevada Governor Steve Sisolak on 17 March 2020 and can be accessed at <https://nvhealthresponse.nv.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/NV-Health-Reponse-COVID19-Risk-Management-Initiative-2.pdf>; and
3. Executive Order 2020-09 Limiting the Operations of Certain Businesses to Slow the Spread of COVID-19 signed by Arizona Governor Douglas Ducey on 19 March 2020 and can be accessed at https://azgovernor.gov/sites/default/files/eo_2020-09_1.pdf

Said orders impose stricter social distancing measures, including the closing of non-essential businesses, such as entertainment and gaming facilities, and gyms and health clubs; postponement of gatherings; and closing of dine-in restaurants.

In Los Angeles, City Mayor Eric Garcetti announced on 19 March 2020 the implementation of “**Safer at Home**” Order in consonance with Governor Newsom’s Executive Order. Under the order, L.A. residents are prohibited from:

1. Going to work unless their work involves vital services including those in government, healthcare, food provision, banks, transportation, infrastructure and others as stipulated by the order;
2. Making personal visits to friends and families except for urgent circumstances;
3. Visiting loved ones in hospital, nursing home or other residential care facilities;
4. Traveling outside the City of Los Angeles, except for those who live outside the City and whose work involves essential services; and
5. Staying less than 6 feet away of distance from others when outdoors.

Under the same Order, the following activities are allowed:

1. Going to the grocery store to buy food and other essentials;
2. Picking up medications and healthcare necessities from a pharmacy;
3. Attending medical appointments;
4. Getting food from restaurants through pick-up, take-out or drive-through;
5. Caring or supporting a friend or family member;
6. Outdoor exercise observing 6 feet social distance;
7. Walking pets and taking them to the veterinarian; and
8. Helping someone get necessary supplies.

For more details, please access <https://corona-virus.la/faq>

In addition, U.S. Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo announced on 20 March 2020 that the United States and Mexico have agreed to restrict **non-essential travels across the U.S.-Mexico border**.

In the interest of public health and safety, and in compliance with COVID 19-related issuances of both the Philippines and U.S. Governments, **the Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles has temporarily suspended all of its consular services beginning 19 March 2020, until further notice.**

The public may call 2-1-1, the central source for providing information and referrals for all health and human services, for emergency health assistance anywhere **within the United States of America**. Said phone line is open 24 hours, seven days a week, with trained Community Resource Advisors prepared to offer help with any situation, any time. END.