

Hello Fellow Burbankers, I am Sharon Springer, Mayor of Burbank. Thank you for listening to today's update regarding the city's responses to Covid-19.

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health along with the State continue to slowly reopen businesses and facilities. In Burbank, that means our "lower-risk" retail establishments as defined by the County may open for curbside, door-side, or other outdoor pickup, or delivery. The reopening doesn't include all retailers and you can find the list within the Health Order on our **Covid-19 City Updates page** at Burbankca.gov. Additionally, "lower-risk" manufacturing and logistics sector businesses that supply "lower-risk" retail businesses can open with restrictions. All businesses will need to meet specific guidelines issued by both the State and County prior to reopening. This too is posted on our **Covid-19 City Updates page**. Please take a look before reopening to ensure you are compliant.

Also, within this week's revised Safer at Home Order, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health is requiring facial coverings to be worn at all times whenever there is, or can be contact with others who are non-household members in both public and private places. Cloth face coverings should not be placed on children younger than two years old, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

The revised Safer at Home Order allows in-person behavioral health or substance use disorder support in therapeutic small group meetings, such as Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous, provided that the gathering is limited to 10 people or less, and social distancing is practiced.

Burbank has reopened DeBell Golf Course along with Stough and Wildwood Canyons. Today we will begin to open tennis courts and the Maxam Park Pickleball courts. The Burbank Tennis Center will open on Monday, May 18, 2020. With guidance from the County of Los Angeles, additional safety protocols will be in place and signage is posted at the entrance of all tennis and Pickleball courts. Please check Burbankca.gov for specific health and safety requirements, and location information.

We must continue to practice social distancing and regular hand washing. These are simple things we can do to ensure everyone's safety and not have future restrictions.

While the library is not yet allowed to fully open, we do have many online resources including Tumblebooks - e-Books for kids, Mango Languages in 70 languages, and 500 free, accredited online courses through Universal Class. You can use the Libby, or Hoopla app for free downloadable e-Books and e-Audiobooks, or to stream TV, movies and music. The Library also offers online story time sessions Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10AM. Join live or watch later on Facebook or Instagram.

The **Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Program** is an initiative under the Federal CARES Act. It provides assistance for unemployed or partially unemployed individuals who are not eligible for regular unemployment insurance. You can find more information

on our COVID-19 City updates page at burbankca.gov. If you have applied for the Program and are having difficulties, please contact Assemblymember Friedman's office at 818-558-3043, or Senator Portantino's office at 818-409-0400.

I'd like to share good things the City is doing. Burbank Project Hope pairs volunteers with people in need to help run errands, pick up groceries or just check-in. There are currently 42 volunteers helping 62 seniors and disabled adults. If you are interested in this program or would like to sign-up as a volunteer please call 818-238-5370 or email us at BVP@burbankca.gov.

Our Senior Nutrition Program, partnering with Burbank Bus, delivers more than 2,000 meals per week. With a generous donation from Actress Elizabeth Stanton in partnership with Bucca di Beppo, we were able to serve 251 additional meals last week.

Our Library Services staff has answered more than 2,500 calls to 818-238-5580 regarding Covid-19.

Our Community Development Department continues to respond to emails sent to Covid-19@burbankca.gov.

Our Public Information Office has posted more than 600 messages on social media, prepared nearly 50 press releases, and kept our Covid-19 City updates page current.

We do this while continuing to pick up the trash, fix potholes, keep the lights on, process permits, issue safety orders, hold City Council meetings, ensure safety, and respond to emergencies.

Thank you to our staff and our volunteers who make it all happen.

On behalf of Vice-Mayor Bob Frutos and Councilmembers Jess Talamantes, Emily Gabel-Luddy and Tim Murphy, thank you for helping your neighbors and for your kindness. We **are** getting through this together.