



City Manager's

COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE

October 2020

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Elementary Schools may open on Oct. 13, if they implement restrictions

The collective action taken by so many in Berkeley have power, especially when backed by the Public Health expertise and work that's a core part of our EOC.

The result of that community and City work is that cases and testing positivity rates have gone down, pushing us into a new tier of the state's permitted activities. And that means elementary schools may open.

School openings have a substantial socio-emotional, educational and societal impact on children, their families and workplaces. And this decision to open elementary schools comes with the understanding the youngest children struggle the most with distance learning.

Schools can open if they follow certain restrictions.

This plan must be posted on a school's website and shared with their school community prior to reopening.

Elementary schools in Berkeley must:

- Conduct systematic testing, regardless of symptoms, of all staff and volunteers at least once a month, and should also consider these "screening" tests for students.
- Ensure prompt testing and isolation of any symptomatic staff and students as well as those who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19.
- Meet state requirements on social distancing by using strategies such as hybrid school schedules that allow only a subset of students on any given day.
- Designate at least two trained COVID-19 liaisons who will coordinate with the City of Berkeley on all COVID-19 related matters, including case investigation and contact tracing.



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You can read more detail in [our community message](#).

We know this is a long effort and many months lie ahead. Yet this is a moment of progress as a community, and part of a tradition of being led by Berkeley Public Health that goes back to 1880.

Red Flag Warning for Berkeley hills through 6am Saturday, October 3

We are encouraging residents of the hills to continue to prepare for high fire danger by signing up for alerts, reviewing evacuation routes, packing or refreshing "go bags," and parking off street when possible.

We are urging people to use extreme caution when operating BBQs, power equipment, or other heat sources such as idling cars. Fireworks are always completely forbidden in Berkeley and surrounding areas.

The core tasks we ask the public to do are:

- **Sign up for [AC Alert](#).** Make sure everyone in your home is registered for AC Alert, the City's emergency notification service.
- **Review your household's evacuation routes.** Make sure to plan at least two routes away from your neighborhood. During an evacuation you may not be able to drive, so consider using the network of Berkeley Path Wanderers paths in your evacuation plans. See cityofberkeley.info/wildfire for evacuation information and download our [printable evacuation checklist](#).
- **Pack or refresh your [go-bag](#).** Everyone in your household should have a go bag with the things you would need to safely evacuate. In the era of COVID-19, this includes face coverings and hand sanitizer. If you have a go bag already, check it and replace any expired items, like food or batteries.
- **Park off-street.** Use your driveway or garage, leaving streets clear for emergency vehicles.



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The more households that prepare, the better able the City will be to help those in need.

Please share [our community message](#) through your channels.

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Based on the data available, this is where we stand as of Friday:

Indicator 1: Cases & Hospitalizations Flat or Decreasing

Current status:

- Number of cases identified in Berkeley is increasing. There were 53 new cases reported in the last 14 days -- twenty-one fewer than for the last period.
- Number of hospitalized patients in Alameda County has decreased, with 14 fewer people hospitalized for COVID-19 than two weeks ago

Goal currently met.

Indicator 2: Sufficient Hospital Capacity to meet community needs

Success criteria: No more than 50% of patients in staffable non-surge hospital beds in Alameda County are COVID-19 positive.

Goal currently met.

Indicator 3: Sufficient Testing Capacity

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- Over the last two weeks, an average of 669 tests per day have been reported for Berkeley residents, no matter where they were tested -- private hospitals, labs or our City-coordinated sites.

Goal currently met.

Indicator 4: Sufficient Disease Containment (case investigation, contact tracing, and isolation/quarantine)

Success criteria:

- 90% of all cases are reached and contacts identified - currently at 84%
- 90% of cases that we reach are isolated safely -- currently at 80%
- 90% of all contacts identified -- currently at 84%
- 90% of identified cases can safely quarantine -- currently at 79%

Disease containment is a critical tool in this phase of the pandemic and reflects significantly increased staffing for contact tracing. This allows us to see how quickly we move to isolate or quarantine people -- essential tasks in limiting the spread.

Goals currently not met

Indicator 5: Sufficient Personal Protective Equipment

Success criteria:

- At least 30-day supply of PPE for all health care providers - *Goal Met*
- No hospitals, clinic, skilled nursing facility, other long term care facility, or first responder agency is struggle with obtaining PPE to submit a request for assistance - *Goal Not Met*
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Resources

CDC resource: talking to children about COVID-19

As in-person instruction resumes, children may worry about themselves, their family, and friends becoming ill with COVID-19. Parents, family members, school staff, and other trusted adults can play an important role in helping children make sense of what they hear in a way that is honest, accurate, and minimizes anxiety or fear. CDC has created [recommendations to help adults have conversations with children about COVID-19](#) and ways they can avoid getting and spreading the disease.

Resources for kids: dealing with stress and trauma during COVID-19

Adults aren't the only ones stressed out during the pandemic. Kids have lots of questions and anxieties, too. First 5 California has developed a toolkit to help children feel safe and secure. The [Care, Cope, Connect](#) guide includes suggestions for supporting children, self-care tips for parents and caregivers, and 4 pages of activities just for kids. In addition to English, the guide is available in [Spanish](#), [Arabic](#), and [Korean](#).



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Cases, hospitalizations continue to decline, opening new phases for the City

Cases and hospitalizations continue to decline countywide and the percentage of people testing positive for COVID-19 is now at [1.4 percent](#).

Past data led our Health Officer and Alameda County's to open up certain "personal care" services today, Oct. 9, and [set the stage for allowing K-5 schools to also open up with restrictions starting next week](#). These ongoing trends provide a hopeful note, and they are a reflection of strong work led by Berkeley Public Health as well as our community, which has embraced key preventive actions.

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Current status:

- There were 39 new cases reported in the last 14 days -- a total that is 35 fewer cases than for the period from a month ago.
- Number of hospitalized patients in Alameda County has decreased, with 21 fewer people hospitalized for COVID-19 than two weeks ago

Goal currently met.

Indicator 2: Sufficient Hospital Capacity to meet community needs

Success criteria: No more than 50% of patients in staffable non-surge hospital beds in Alameda County are COVID-19 positive.

Goal currently met.



Indicator 3: Sufficient Testing Capacity

Success criteria: Sufficient COVID-19 viral detection tests are being conducted each day through private and public sites. The goal for Berkeley is 245 tests per day, giving an effective lens into the workings of the virus in our community.

Over the last two weeks, an average of 694 tests per day have been reported for Berkeley residents, no matter where they were tested -- private hospitals, labs or our City-coordinated sites.

Goal currently met.

Indicator 4: Sufficient Disease Containment (case investigation, contact tracing, and isolation/quarantine)

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Goals currently not met

Indicator 5: Sufficient Personal Protective Equipment

Success criteria:

- At least 30-day supply of PPE for all health care providers - *Goal Met*
- No hospitals, clinic, skilled nursing facility, other long term care facility, or first responder agency is struggle with obtaining PPE to submit a request for assistance - *Goal Not Met*



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- None have needed to submit a resource request for assistance in obtaining PPE to EOC in the last 14 days - *Goal Not Met*

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City's Testing Infrastructure Grows Stronger

A key to our success has been testing. Not only are our testing figures far surpassing our metrics, but our testing team has continued to look for more ways for that testing to support our community.

Curative restarted their very popular walk-up kiosk testing on Tuesday, October 6 at the Berkeley Adult School. Of the 306 tests Curative performed on their first day, approximately 68 percent were Berkeley residents.

This site, as we announced last week, will also play an important role in supporting Berkeley Unified and other schools by providing designated time for systematic testing.

This work is in addition to the work done at the state-funded Optum Test Site, which is being held at the City's Martin Luther King, Jr. Youth Services Center. Optum tested an average of 142 people per day, and approximately 56 percent are Berkeley residents.

This testing work is also assisted by LifeLong Medical, which has continued their street outreach and has been doing testing in encampments.

Support for the Unhoused

A core part of our work has been to find shelter for those people who are unhoused who are also medically vulnerable.

The four units at our house on Fifth Street are fully occupied. In addition, 10 of the 18 trailers we established are occupied.



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Both of the County-run hotels continue to be fully occupied, and most are Berkeley residents -- a reflection of our outreach work. There are now 84 people, including several couples sharing rooms, now living in those 69 rooms.

We continue to see active use of our expanded shower program.

Willard saw a total of 461 clients, for an average of 33 people per day. Of those, 85 percent were men and another 15 percent were women. West Campus served a total of 306 total clients, an average of 23 per day. Of those, 92 percent were men and 8 percent were women.



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A dynamic week, a window into the City's response

This week highlighted many layered and varied ways this pandemic affects City services and the needs of our community. COVID-19 has:

- changed how we vote
- heightened the need for a flu shot
- required us to shutter and now reopen playgrounds, and
- forced businesses to re-configure operations to plan for future openings.

Each of those aspects required us to keep our community informed this week alone even as we contend with another crisis: hot, dry winds that created high fire danger and a red flag warning for the hills. To re-open playgrounds, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront staff worked long hours -- including a 4 a.m. start today, Friday, to inspect each of the City's 66 playgrounds before opening.

These dynamic events specific to the week are in addition to the steady work, led by Public Health, to build and maintain the infrastructure to respond to this unprecedented public health crisis: testing, contact tracing, case investigation, support for the unhoused, prep for flu season and more.

As rates of daily cases and test positivity have gone down, businesses and other sectors of our community open up -- but with restrictions that allow us to safely navigate the tricky path forward.

The dynamism of our daily response combined with the long-term work is a testament to the diligent work of so many.

State moves Alameda County into orange tier, allowing potential new activities

On Tuesday, the state announced that countywide metrics used to measure the spread of COVID-19 in the county had gone down, allowing the City and County to both move into another tier of potential public activities.



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This is the second consecutive month in which those key measurements have gone down. This also allows the City and County to plan to open additional activities in a phased manner that minimizes potential for a surge of cases, hospitalizations and deaths.

The phasing means that even as elementary schools, personal care services, gyms and indoor museums and galleries had [just opened with restrictions](#), we wanted to let other industries know that additional openings are expected the week of October 26.

Those include:

- Indoor dining up to 25% capacity or less than 100 people, whichever is less
- Indoor worship services up to 25% capacity or less than 100 people, whichever is less
- Indoor movie theaters up to 25% capacity or less than 100 people, whichever is less
- Expansion of indoor retail and malls at up to 50% of capacity and permitting food courts

We are directing all merchants and industries to prepare for future openings by using the state's [industry-specific guidance](#).

You can see and share our full [community message](#).

City playgrounds reopen

All of the City's 66 playgrounds are now open -- but everyone should use caution as high-touch shared surfaces and gathering places for crowds remain potential sources of virus transmission.

Those risks are always present at playgrounds, especially in flu season. But increased vigilance is needed for COVID-19, a disease for which there is neither vaccine nor treatment.

Anyone at these playgrounds -- or those at any park, campground, or public facility in California -- should follow state guidelines:

- Wear a face covering if you're 2 years of age or older



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- Use playgrounds only when you can keep 6 feet of distance from anyone not in your household or stay within a capacity limit
- Consider alternate, less busy times
- Don't eat or drink while at playgrounds
- Wash or sanitize hands before and after use
- Limit use to 30 minutes
- If you are over age 65 or have underlying health conditions, avoid playgrounds altogether as you are at higher risk of severe COVID-19 illness.

Get a seasonal flu vaccine shot to further reduce the chance of getting infected or spreading potential flu viruses.

Please see and share our [community message](#).

Seasonal flu vaccines more important than ever during COVID-19

Getting a flu shot is more important than ever.

The seasonal flu vaccine is a safe, effective way to reduce chances of missing work or ending up in the hospital due to severe flu. Symptoms of the flu can be similar to early symptoms of COVID-19, meaning that this year, people with flu symptoms may require a COVID-19 test and may need to stay home from work and isolate away from their families while awaiting results.

To emphasize the importance of this message, we worked with Health jurisdictions around the region to jointly issue a [regional message](#).

Red Flag Warning extended until Saturday morning

A Red Flag Warning for the Berkeley hills has been extended to 8am on Saturday, October 17. We continue to encourage hills residents to take the following actions to prepare for high fire danger:

- Sign up for [AC Alert](#) emergency notifications.
- Review evacuation routes with your household, making sure to plan at least two routes away from your neighborhood.
- Park or refresh a [go-bag](#) with the items you'd need to safely evacuate
- Park off-street, leaving roads clear for emergency vehicles



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- Use extreme caution when operating BBQs, power equipment, or other heat sources such as idling cars.

We sent a [community message](#) this morning reminding residents to prepare.

The more households that take these steps to be ready, the better able the City will be to help our most vulnerable residents in the event of a fire. Please share this information and our [wildfire evacuation webpage](#) with your networks.

Six secure ballot drop boxes now open in Berkeley

The Registrar of Voters has completed installation of four new secure ballot drop boxes, for a total of six locations in Berkeley:

- Berkeley Civic Center Building, *2180 Milvia*
- University of California Berkeley, *between Sather Gate and Architects & Engineers building*
- Frances Albrier Recreation Center, *2800 Park*
- Claremont Branch Library, *2940 Benvenue*
- North Branch Library, *1170 The Alameda*
- West Branch Library, *1125 University*

Alameda County voters can turn in their ballots at these drop boxes anytime, day or night, until 8pm on November 3rd. The Registrar of Voters collects ballots from the drop boxes daily.

As election day nears, voters will also have the option to turn in ballots at any of 100 "Accessible Voting Locations" across Alameda County, open 9am-5pm October 31-November 2, and 7am-8pm on election day. There will be nine accessible voting locations in Berkeley, which are listed in full in a [community message](#) we sent Thursday informing residents about their voting options

AC Transit resumes fare collection on Monday

AC Transit is resuming fare collection and front door boarding starting Monday, October 19.



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The District has implemented many COVID-19 safety measures, including daily anti-viral spraying and fogging, lexan glass protective shields for bus operators, and providing free masks to riders. More information about bus service during COVID-19 is available on [AC Transit's website](#).

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Current status:

- There were 27 new cases reported in the last 14 days -- eleven fewer cases than we reported in last week's status update.
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Goal currently met.

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Goal currently met.

Indicator 4: Sufficient Disease Containment (case investigation, contact tracing, and isolation/quarantine)

Success criteria:

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- 90% of cases that we reach are isolated safely -- currently at 81%
- 90% of all contacts identified -- currently at 85%
- 90% of identified cases can safely quarantine -- currently at 81%

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City's Testing Infrastructure Grows Stronger

The testing sites coordinated and established in partnership with the City continue to significantly help our efforts.

The state-funded Optum site continues to be fully booked and is providing an average of 139 tests per day. Currently, the turnaround for test results is approximately 3 days.

Curative is performing an average of 254 tests per day, and continues to have approximately 70 open spots for patients. To book an appointment, interested community members can visit the City's COVID-19 testing webpage: cityofberkeley.info/get-tested.

This testing work is also assisted by LifeLong Medical, which has continued their street outreach, as well as UC Berkeley, which has been extensively testing their students.

Support for the Unhoused

A core part of our work has been to find shelter for those people who are unhoused who are also medically vulnerable.

The four units at our house on Fifth Street are fully occupied. In addition, 10 of the 18 trailers we established are occupied by 11 people. Referrals will begin next week to start to fill some of the vacant trailer spots.

Both of the County-run hotels continue to be used extensively, and most are Berkeley residents -- a reflection of our outreach work. There are now 79 people, including several couples sharing rooms, now living in those 69 rooms.

There are currently 50 nurses from Samuel Merritt who are helping to support program participants.

We continue to see active use of our expanded shower program. Willard saw a total of 242 clients, for an average of 35 people per day. Of those, 85 percent were men and 15 percent were women. West Campus served a total of 211 total clients, an average of 30 per day. Of those, 91 percent were men and 9 percent were women.



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Safely celebrating Halloween

Health Officers throughout the region are concerned about Halloween as a potential source of spread as traditional trick-or-treating carries many behaviors that are high-risk during a pandemic:

- Exchanging objects that bring unrelated households into close proximity to each other
- Costume masks that don't adequately cover mouths and faces
- Social gatherings

While we have been pushing out a regional message about the risks of Halloween, we are also pushing out a Berkeley specific message that includes a message about the elimination of block parties, such as Russell Street, throughout Berkeley.

See [our community message](#) as well as [a parallel Spanish language message](#).

Voting safely, securely and early

This pandemic has required changes in how we vote. As a result, this election is safer and easier than before thanks to a number of steps taken by the state and the county.

Every registered voter was sent a mail ballot, which can be dropped off at a ballot drop box or mailed with a postmark of Nov. 3 or earlier. In addition, the county has created 100 voting centers, nine of which are in Berkeley, where people can register and vote in-person in a physically distanced way over four days.

To help explain all of what's needed to vote, we've created a guide full of resources that provides information on a number of related issues, including same-day registration, ranked choice voting, ballot drop box locations and more.

You can see and help spread [our community message](#).



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Path emerges for Middle and High Schools to open

Cases and positivity rates -- the two metrics the state uses to assess which tier of activities are permitted in particular counties -- have continued to decline.

In [Alameda County as a whole](#), there are 3.2 new cases per 100,000 people, and the positivity rate is 1.6 percent. The City of Berkeley's per 100,000 rates are 1.56 new cases per day and 0.24 percent positivity, respectively.

The result is that both City Health Officer Lisa B. Hernandez and County Health Officer Nicholas Moss have prioritized the re-opening of schools for the next phase in the pandemic.

Science and data guide the decision. Yet, there are also practical realities to make this happen. To do what we can to support schools, Berkeley Public Health has:

- Expanded the availability of systematic testing to teachers and staff through facilitated partnerships (e.g. coordinating a relationship between BUSD and Curative, Inc.)
- Created a 6-part disease prevention training for schools.
- The first training in this series took place this afternoon and was hosted by a Berkeley Public Health Nurse.
- Required Public Health site visits
- Provided continued technical assistance via virtual engagement, including two Q&A sessions with teachers and staff.

Schools also have been using county, state, and federal guidance to prepare to reopen in-person.

Starting the week of November 9, middle and high schools (grades, 6-12) that complete, post and distribute a COVID-19 health and safety reopening plan will be permitted to open if ready. The decision and timing of when to open rests with each school and school district. Parents and guardians should contact their schools directly regarding their plans.

As Dr. Hernandez said in [our community message](#), "COVID-19 remains a threat, but we use science and data to navigate the path forward and balance risks. The data showing low community spread has to be weighed against the very real socio-emotional and educational risks children are facing."



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Testing & Disease Containment



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Our testing sites continue to test at a high rate, creating a public health infrastructure that is critical for navigating the complexities of life in a pandemic.

Last week, Curative tested an average of 244 people per day, approximately 55% of whom were Berkeley residents.

Curative continues to have open appointments, however make sure to check the website ahead of time for an up-to-date schedule and appointment slots. Certain days are appointment only, and walk-ins may not be accepted.

The state-funded Optum test site at the Martin Luther King Jr. Youth Services Center continues to be fully booked. Last week, Optum tested an average of 138 people per day, approximately 56 percent of whom were Berkeley residents.

The state accepted the Disease Containment Branch's proposal to continue using State-deployed Contact Tracers and Case Investigators -- giving the City an important resource to provide quick turnaround contact tracing and case investigation services. This is particularly important whenever COVID-19 cases and outbreaks emerge Berkeley.

All of the City's information about testing services can be found at www.cityofberkeley.info/get-tested.

Support to the Unhoused

This week, Berkeley Food and Housing Project on-boarded 3 new clients into the Berkeley Respite Program and moved into trailers at 1281 University and 701 Harrison.

The Safer Ground hotels continue to operate and the team is working closely with Alameda County's Abode to be able to provide rapid rehousing resources ahead of the Safer Ground program conclusion at the end of the calendar year.

Lifelong Medical will begin providing flu shots at Berkeley encampments over the next couple of weeks.