

CITY OF EL CENTRO

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El Centro Proceeds with Reopening Plans

El Centro, CA., September 15, 2020 – The City of El Centro, in cooperation with the County of Imperial and the State of California has updated COVID-19 guidance for residents and businesses that are located within El Centro.

According to the County, the Blueprint for a Safer Economy will replace the California Department of Public Health's County Data Monitoring list as well as the metrics required for a variance. Currently the County of Imperial remains at Tier 1 Activity Status. For more detailed information, the City of El Centro encourages you to visit: <https://covid19.ca.gov/>

What's New

Aside from the new Blueprint for a Safer Economy the City of El Centro is pleased to announce it will be reopening the following City facilities:

Facility	Opening Date	Days of the Week	Operating Hours
Sidewinder Skate Park	9/1/2020	Monday-Sunday	8:30 am - 8:30 pm
El Centro Library	9/28/2020	Monday-Friday	10:00 am - 4:00 pm Closed from 12 noon to 1 pm to clean facility
El Centro Aquatic Center	9/29/2020	Tuesday - Friday Lap Swim only Saturday and Sunday Public Swim	5:30 am - 9:30 am 3:30 pm - 7:30 pm 3:30 pm - 7:30 pm

The recreational facilities that will continue being closed are the Community Center, Adult Center, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Sports Pavilion, Conrad Harrison Youth Center, Old Post Office Pavilion, Splash Pad and playgrounds. As the County is able to move into a less restrictive tier, City staff will evaluate the reopening of these facilities.

It is important to remember that those facilities that have opened will be following recommended guidance from the State of California. This guidance may limit hours of operation along with the number of admissions into each facility. More details will be made available soon. Please check the City of El Centro's website for more information at <http://www.cityofelcentro.org/>.

Additional good news is that restaurants wanting to re-open to offer outdoor dining within the City of El Centro are permitted to do this. There are no fees or permits required to operate outdoors. We encourage those businesses interested in offering outdoor services to access, <http://www.cityofelcentro.org/cm/index.asp?m=1&page=45&subpage=5>, El Centro Guidelines for Outdoor Business Operations. Effective September 1st, the City has allow yard sales as long as they have a permit. For additional information, please contact the Community Development Department at (760) 337-4545.

Be Safe

As our city starts re-opening, we continue to urge our residents that are at higher risk for COVID-19 to remain at home. The safety of our community is our first priority. COVID-19 remains in our area and we must stay vigilant to prevent another surge of infections and to keep our community as safe as possible. It's important to:

Social Distance – Stay 6' feet apart

Wear a face mask when out in public

Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds

Avoid crowds

Resources

www.cityofelcentro.org

www.icdhd.org

<https://covid19.ca.gov/>

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the City of El Centro, City Manager's Office at (760) 337-4540.

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