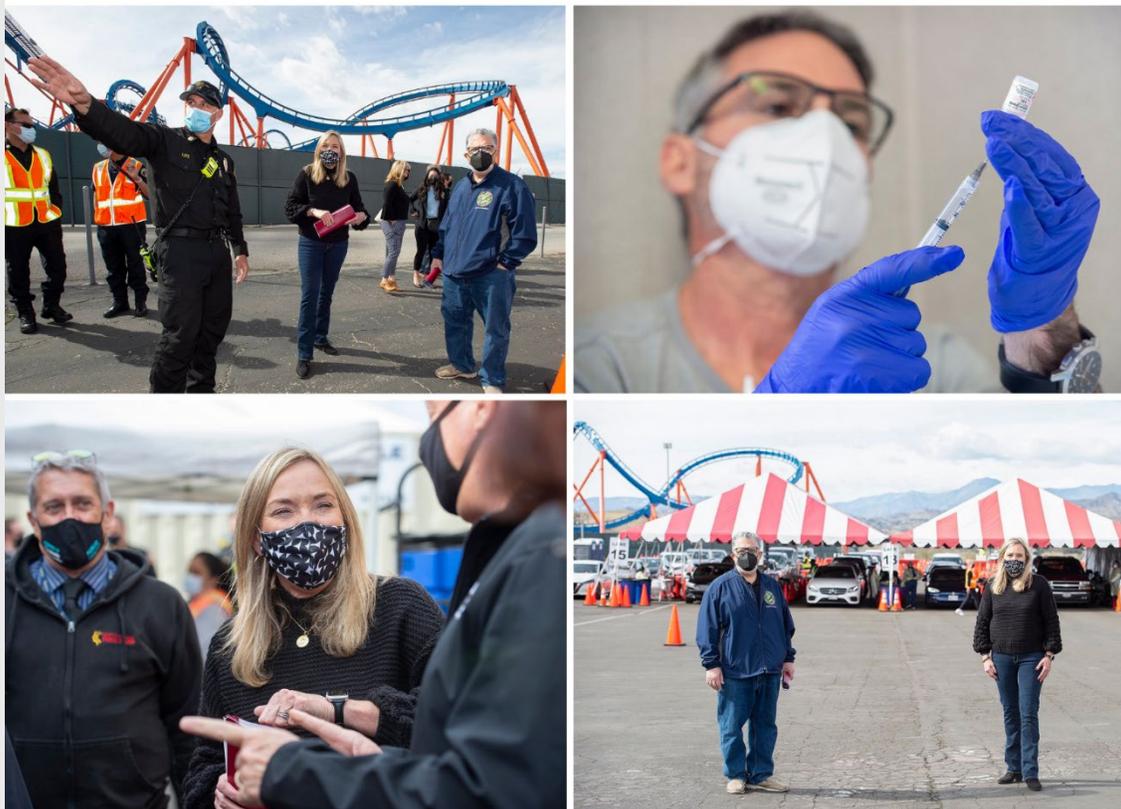




Expanding Vaccines



Dear Friends,

Los Angeles County is working hard to provide the vaccine to more residents.

This week, I took a second visit to the distribution site at Six Flags Magic

operation is running. I know other areas of our county are eager to get their own large-scale vaccination site, and we are working to implement one soon in the Antelope Valley. More than 1.5 million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered across the county, and of those vaccinated, about 400,000 people have received their second dose.

Our largest hurdle is waiting for more vaccines to be delivered from the federal government. We have the capacity to vaccinate more people across 391 vaccination sites, but we don't have the supply. Last week, we received 219,700 doses of vaccine, and the majority of vaccines were used to provide second doses. The county had the capacity for 500,000 appointment slots this week, but there were only enough doses to distribute less than half that number with just over 211,000 appointments. Our large capacity vaccination sites alone could be providing 168,000 additional doses if there was sufficient vaccine supply.

Currently, Los Angeles County is vaccinating healthcare workers, residents and staff at long-term care facilities, and people 65 and over, which makes up 2.2 million people. L.A. County will begin to provide the vaccine to three additional sectors on March 1, totaling 1.8 million more workers in education and childcare, food and agriculture, and first responders and law enforcement. We're partnering with schools, unions, businesses, healthcare providers, and community partners to set up sector specific vaccination sites.

I'm grateful to our healthcare workers and volunteers for their commitment to this cause and to our residents for their resilience. I am eager to continue to expand our vaccination efforts to more community members as we work to protect our families and return to normalcy.

Best wishes,



Kathryn Barger

Supervisor, Fifth District

Inspirational Teens



Thank you to Cheery, David, and Daniel, three local high schoolers who make up the C&D Global Humanity Foundation, for donating 1 million gloves to help our communities continue to combat the pandemic. I'm truly inspired by the generosity and resiliency of our youth and was privileged to present them with

...at the event on Wednesday.

Bolster Business



FOUND/LA SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY FUND

Grants up to \$25,000!

The next round of recovery grants for small businesses in Los Angeles County is open through Sunday. This is a fantastic resource for businesses hit by the pandemic who need help working toward recovery.

[Apply for a grant.](#)

JPL Makes History



Thursday was an exciting day in space travel. The Fifth District's own Jet Propulsion Laboratory watched the epic journey and landing of NASA's Perseverance Mars Rover. Perseverance is the biggest, heaviest, cleanest, and most sophisticated six-wheeled robot ever launched into space. On Mars, it will search for signs of ancient life and collect samples to return to Earth.

[Watch the journey unfold.](#)

Trusted Testing



To equip African American communities disproportionately affected by the pandemic, L.A. County is collaborating with local churches as trusted partners to serve as testing sites. Fifth District participants include Living Stone Cathedral of Worship in Littlerock, Temple of Deliverance Ministries Int'l in Palmdale, and First AME in Pasadena. Additionally, there are many convenient testing sites in other areas of the county.

[Get tested at a local church.](#)

[Get tested at another site.](#)

AV Town Hall



Join Los Angeles County for a town hall to discuss the Interim and Supportive Housing Ordinance and the county's efforts to address wastewater from occupied RVs. This meeting is intended for residents of unincorporated communities in the Antelope Valley to ask questions and provide input. Staff from the Departments of Regional Planning, Public Health, Public Works, the Homeless Initiative, the Homeless Services Authority, and the Sheriff's Department will be available to answer questions. The event will be held on Thursday, Feb. 25 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The Zoom meeting ID is 976 7933 0103 and the passcode is 263650.

[Tune into the meeting.](#)

Ready to Read



In addition to providing families with food, the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank recently gave youth at the Antelope Valley Boys & Girls Club books to enjoy! This generous gift will help kids continue to learn and grow. The City of Santa Clarita is also making reading fun by celebrating the Santa Clarita Public Library's One Story One City book selection. To accompany their book "Eat Joy!" they have created a map of ten meals and drinks from local restaurants to try out as you read. Plus, the Los Angeles County Library is now hosting their Reading Buddies program to help youth from kindergarten through 8th grade practice their reading skills by reading aloud to a library volunteer.

Read One Story One City

Sign up for Reading Buddies.

Grand Opening



Antelope Valley College hosted a grand opening for their new aviation education and training facility at Fox Field today. Our field deputy Donna Termeer was honored to present a proclamation to commemorate the opening of the 10,000 square-foot hangar, composite lab, computer lab, and classroom and office space. While the pandemic has had a serious impact on the regional economy, the aerospace industry in the Antelope Valley continues to thrive. The new facility is a welcomed addition to the school's already successful Aeronautical and Aviation Technology Program. Los Angeles County is proud to continue our partnership with AVC and local cities to equip students with the skills they need

Rise to new heights at AVC.

Tax Season

**FIND OUT IF YOU QUALIFY FOR
\$10K IN TAX REFUNDS.**



✓ More people than ever
will qualify this year due to
COVID impacts on income

**THERE COULD BE MONEY
WAITING FOR YOU!**

Text
"GETMONEY"
to 211-211 and
find out if your
family can benefit

Are you ready for tax season? Los Angeles County can help you file for free. There are lots of resources available to help you keep as much of your hard-earned money as possible, including federal and state tax credits, preparation services, informational videos, and text message assistance. If you text "TAXCREDITSLA" to 211-211, you can get an estimate of the amount you qualify for, connections to free online-filing resources, free options to drop off taxes, and virtual help from a VITA tax preparer.

Get the full story

Wildfire Recovery



If you have suffered losses as a result of a wildfire and have questions about FEMA and Small Business Administration resources, tune in for a recovery workshop hosted by [Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles](#) in partnership with Pepperdine Disaster Relief Clinic. The virtual event is on Thursday, Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. To connect with county resources for wildfire recovery, call 2-1-1.

[Register for the workshop.](#)



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