



A Letter from Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda L. Solis

Dear Friends,

As of Friday afternoon, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health had confirmed six cases of the new COVID-19 Omicron variant. Scientists say that early signs indicate that Omicron spreads quickly, as it is now the dominant strain in South Africa.

Although we are awaiting conclusive information on how Omicron spreads and how severe of disease it causes, early studies are showing that having prior infection or not having a booster does not provide strong protection against infection. That is why I urge everyone who is unvaccinated to get vaccinated immediately – regardless of whether or not you had COVID-19 previously. And if you are eligible for a booster, make sure you get one right away. That extra protection will be critical in helping prevent more serious outcomes from this new variant.

Anyone 16 and older can now get a COVID-19 booster six months after their Pfizer or Moderna vaccines and two months after receiving the J&J vaccine. As a reminder, only the Pfizer vaccine is available to those age 5 – 17. To find a vaccination site near you, make an appointment at vaccination sites, and much more, visit: www.VaccinateLACounty.com (English) or www.VacunateLosAngeles.com (Spanish).

If you or a loved one have difficulty leaving home to get vaccinated, you can request in-home vaccination by calling 2-1-1 or the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Vaccine Call Center at 833-540-0473 anytime between 8am - 8:30pm, 7 days a week. Residents can also fill out the [online request form](#) (multiple language options available) or visit the [In-Home Vaccination Page \(English\)](#) or [In-Home Vaccination Page \(Spanish\)](#) for more information. For resources related to paratransit and free rides for vaccination, please call the Public Health Vaccine Call Center or visit the [How To Get Vaccinated](#) page.

Sincerely,

Hilda L. Solis

Supervisor, First District

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Bus Priority Lanes in Downtown Los Angeles



I'm thrilled about the completion of the Metro's Grand Ave. and Olive St. Bus Priority Lane Project. Thanks to the partnership between Metro and the City of Los Angeles, these bus lanes will get Angelenos to where they need to go more efficiently than ever before. The new dedicated bus lanes will see 60 buses every hour during busy times and will ensure that riders can move quickly across Downtown Los Angeles and beyond more efficiently. This project is a demonstration of our commitment to be BETTER - Bring Equitable to Transportation to Every Resident.

CalFresh Benefits Are Worth More at Local Farmers' Market



Double your CalFresh dollars with Market Match at participating farmers' markets!

Visit <https://ecologycenter.org/fmfinder/> to find a farmers' market near you.

Market Match is California's healthy food incentive program, which matches customers' federal nutrition assistance benefits, like CalFresh, at farmers' markets and other farm-direct sites. Market Match is available at over 240 sites, spanning 40 counties, that are run by nearly 60 community-based organizations and farmers' market operators.

Swipe your EBT card and get vouchers to match to shop more! Choose CalFresh and visit [Farmers' Market Finder by the Ecology Center](https://ecologycenter.org/fmfinder/) to find a list of participating markets.

Affordable Internet for Everyone!



HOME INTERNET A must-have for your family

APPLY BY
DEC. 31 | HOME INTERNET
\$50/MO EBB Discount

The Federal Communications Commission has launched the temporary Emergency Broadband Benefit Program to help eligible families pay for home Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The program includes up to a \$50 a month discount on Internet service until March 2022. Apply before December 31!

You can apply online by clicking [here](#) or calling (866) 696-8748.

Don't Get Scammed This Holiday Season!



The holiday season brings cheer and charity. But before you make a purchase or donation, beware of the following scams:

Utility Scams – Watch out for scammers posing as local utility company workers, threatening to cut off your electric, water, or gas services. Some are even taking advantage of people who need help paying these bills, asking for half of the money owed in order to forgive the rest.

Product Shortages – With production delays and supply shortages comes opportunities for scammers to take advantage of shoppers. Make sure you research the seller, shop around, and pay by credit card so you can dispute the charge later if needed.

Gift Card Scams – At many stores, gift cards are stocked in bulk. Scammers will write down the numbers and PIN seals of several cards, waiting to luck up on one that's activated by a customer so they can steal the money. Before you purchase a gift card, make sure it hasn't been tampered with and don't share the number with anyone.

Donation Scams – The holidays are a great opportunity to donate money to non-profit organizations and charities. Before you say yes to a donation request, verify that the organization is reputable and always ask for a receipt for your records.

Porch Pirates – If you're ordering gifts online, make sure to bring all packages in the house, or get them shipped to your office or another safe address if possible.

[LEARN MORE](#)

No Adoption Fees this Holiday Season!



For the whole month of December, get adoption fees waived when taking home cats and dogs in care for 10 days or longer through the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control's "Home for the Pawlidays" campaign, in partnership with the ASPCA. All adoptions include microchips, vaccinations, and spay/neuter!

Schedule an appointment to adopt a new furry friend today by clicking [here](#).

Community Resources & Events



Wellness Resource Fair in East LA

My office, in partnership with Alma Family Services, will be hosting a Wellness Resource Fair in East Los Angeles. There will be free food boxes, diapers and wipes, mental health resources, COVID-19 vaccines and more!

Date: Saturday, December 11th

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location: East LA Civic Center, 4801 E. 3rd St. Los Angeles, CA 90022



East LA Holiday Farmers' Market

Join us tomorrow in our Special Holiday Farmers Market in East Los Angeles. There will be a toy distribution, entertainment, pictures with Santa, hot chocolate and more! We will be doing our traditional tree lighting at 5pm.

Date: Saturday, December 11th

Time: 1pm - 6pm

Location: East LA Civic Center, 4801 E/ 3rd St. Los Angeles, Ca 90022



City Terrace Community Clean-Up

Let's keep City Terrace clean! Join Vision City Terrace, Republic Services and the Department of Public Works on a community clean-up event. Tools, Supplies and PPE will be provided.

Date: Saturday, December 18th

Time: 9am - 11am

Meeting location: 3400 Medford St. Los Angeles, CA 90063

CITY OF montebello
VACCINATING LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS AGES 5 & OLDER
VACCINE CLINIC

DECEMBER 11, 2021
10 A.M. - 2 P.M.
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST
HOLIFIELD PARK
1060 S GREENWOOD AVE.
MONTEBELLO, CA

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
HILDA L. SOLIS
County of Los Angeles
Public Health
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the **Y**
Montebello Senior Health Center
Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J Vaccine available for 1st, 2nd, and booster dose.

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE
**WALK-INS WELCOME

CALL
626-350-4500
MONDAY-FRIDAY
8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

OR GO ONLINE!
MYTURN.CA.GOV

Vaccine Clinic in Montebello

Let's get vaccinated Montebello! My office, in partnership with the Department of Public Health, will be hosting a vaccine mobile clinic tomorrow. Booster shots will be available. Appointments are recommended but not necessary.

Date: Saturday, December 11th

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location: Holifield Park, 1060 S. Greenwood Ave. Montebello, CA 90640

San Gabriel Valley
Holiday Fair
Win Prizes

When: December 16, 2021 3pm-6pm
Where: L.A. Care and Blue Shield
Promise Community Resource Center
3570 Santa Anita Ave. El Monte 91731

Join us for this free family friendly, Annual San Gabriel Valley event!

- DJ playing holiday tunes
- Holiday Scavenger Hunt
- Free Fresh Produce (while supplies last)
- Ugly and Cute Sweater Contest
- Photo with Santa
- Arts and Crafts

Visit the booths for Health & Community Resources and to get your COVID-19 vaccine or booster.

Logos: CORE, ENVI, LA CARE, BLUE SHIELD, etc.

El Monte Holiday Fair

Do not miss our annual San Gabriel Valley Holiday Fair! There will be a fresh produce giveaway, music, holiday scavenger hunt, photos with Santa, COVID-19 vaccines and much more!

Date: Thursday, December 16th

Time: 3pm - 6pm

Location: LA Care and Blue Shield Promise Community Resource Center, 3570 Santa Anita Ave. El Monte 91731

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FOOD DISTRIBUTION
DISTRIBUCIÓN DE ALIMENTOS

Saturday, December 18, 2021
Sábado, 18 de Diciembre, 2021
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
(Until supplies last! Hasta agotar existencias)

* Drive-thru: Distribución solo para vehículos
* WALK-UP: Bienvenido a walk-ups
Bring your shopping cart
Traiga su carrito de compras

Gage Middle School
2880 E. Gage Avenue
Huntington Park, CA 90255



To offer relief through the pandemic, we're giving away groceries to whomever in our community is in need.
Con fin de ofrecer alivio durante la pandemia del COVID-19, estamos regalando alimentos, para quien lo necesite.

As we exercise social distancing and protective measures, please wear a face mask or facial covering.
Usar mascarillas de tela para la cara mientras ejercemos las medidas de protección y distanciamiento social.



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Huntington Park Food Distribution

Save the date! My office, in partnership with the Tzu Chi Foundation, will host a drive-thru/ walk-up food distribution in the City of Huntington Park.

Date: Saturday, December 18th

Time: 9am - 10:30am

Location: Gage Middle School, 2880 E. Gage Ave. Huntington Park, CA, 90225

GIVE US A CALL

- Downtown Los Angeles Office: 213-974-4111
- Southeast Los Angeles Office: 323-826-6370
- East Los Angeles Office: 323-881-4601
- San Gabriel Valley Office: 626-350-4500
- East San Gabriel Valley Office: 909-593-3661