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***** PRESS RELEASE *****
**SAN FRANCISCO ISSUES GUIDANCE FOR
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ORDER**

Emergency Operations Center provides businesses with best practices to ensure social distancing and protect health of employees and customers

San Francisco, CA — The City and County of San Francisco today shared [guidance](#) for essential businesses that remain open to the public under the City's Public Health Order to help protect employee health, reduce crowding at essential businesses, and help keep highly-trafficked spaces clean.

Under the guidance, essential businesses such as grocery stores and pharmacies should establish protocols to keep six feet of distance between customers; clean and disinfect regularly; and make hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, or soap, water and paper towels readily available. The City is providing signage to support stay at home and social distance messaging for businesses.

“Essential businesses throughout San Francisco are stepping up to support our city during this challenging time, and we want to make sure they have the resources they need to operate safely,” said Mayor Breed. “The guidance issued today will help businesses that are allowed to stay open create a safe shopping experience for people as they get their groceries and medicine, or pick up food from a restaurant.”

“While most residents have to stay home to save lives in this pandemic, we also need essential businesses and government in San Francisco, such as grocery stores, pharmacies, banks, health care, transit and gas stations, to continue providing essential services,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “We are here to help them operate their business in the safest way possible for their own employees and the general public, so that we can all work toward our shared goal of reducing the spread of the coronavirus.”

The City continues to support [essential businesses](#) impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak and has already offered deferral of business taxes and licensing fees, an economic relief fund, and other support to [help struggling small businesses](#) and workers.

Examples of best practices under the City’s recommended guidance include:

- Making cleaning supplies such as hand sanitizer and soap readily available to employees;
- Limiting the number of customers in a business by having a door monitor to ensure proper capacity;
- Signage outside to remind people to be at least six feet apart, including in lines;
- Preventing people from self-serving any items that are food-related;
- Putting cleaning wipes near shopping carts or shopping baskets; and
- Assigning an employee to disinfect carts, and baskets and other high-touch surface areas regularly.

“We’re all in this together, and we are grateful to our business community for providing essential services while doing all they can to protect their customers and employees,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “San Francisco’s businesses play a crucial role in mitigating the COVID-19 pandemic. By taking these necessary steps to maintain social distance and support public health, our businesses will help flatten the curve and save lives.”

Essential businesses should be creative in developing social distancing plans that meet their unique needs, while providing all necessary information to employees and patrons to abide by them. Additionally, the City’s Emergency Operations Center will make social distancing signage available for essential businesses. For more information, go to: <https://sf.gov/follow-social-distancing-essential-businesses>.

Even people engaged in the essential activities described in the order must practice the following to avoid getting sick and to prevent the spread of COVID-

19.

- Stay at least 6 feet away from other people when on essential outings such as grocery shopping, riding public transit to an essential job, or walking your dog;
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Cover your cough or sneeze;
- Avoid touching your face;
- Do not shake hands;
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

Stay home altogether if you are sick, 60+ years of age, and/or have certain underlying health conditions. Make sure you have a supply of essential medications for your family. Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself. Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.

There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick. If you are sick, first call your health care provider; if you must leave your home to seek medical treatment, you may wear a mask or similar PPE to prevent spreading illness to others.

Find the answers to frequently asked questions about the order at [SF.gov/coronavirus](https://sf.gov/coronavirus).

Other Public Health Orders and recommendations from DPH can be found at sfdph.org/dph/alerts/coronavirus.asp. Mayoral declarations regarding COVID-19 can be found at sfmayor.org/mayoral-declarations-regarding-covid-19.

For more information, you can also call 311. For official updates, sign up for the City's alert service: text COVID19SF to 888-777.

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SURGE OF COVID-19 PATIENTS**

Mayor Breed and health officials call on federal and state support to meet need for ventilators and hospital beds and call on public to continue stay at home efforts to help slow the spread of COVID-19

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed, Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax, Dr. David Klein, President and CEO of Saint Francis Memorial Hospital and Chair of the San Francisco Section-Hospital Council Northern & Central California, and Mark R. Laret, President and Chief Executive Officer of UCSF Health, today joined with all San Francisco hospitals to present their unified COVID-19 surge plan and call for more federal and state support.

For weeks, San Francisco hospitals and public health officials have been working

on a unified plan to relieve pressure on local hospitals and increase capacity during an expected surge in COVID-19 patients who will require hospitalization. While current efforts are sufficient to meet the needs of an initial surge of patients, the hospital system needs more support to meet a larger surge.

By analyzing the needs being called for in New York, where the hospital system is undergoing an unprecedented surge in COVID-19 patients, San Francisco estimates it could need as many as 1,500 more ventilators and 5,000 more hospital beds to meet a similar surge. Today, Mayor Breed officially requested more assistance from both the state and federal government to help local efforts to expand capacity in preparation for this surge. She also joined public health officials in calling on the public to continue to follow public health orders to stay home and limit outings to essential needs.

“From the beginning of the global coronavirus outbreak, we have been getting as prepared as possible in San Francisco,” said Mayor Breed. “Our entire hospital system has been doing the work to create a plan and to ramp up our resources, but we cannot do this alone. We need support from the state and from the federal government to have the tools we need, whether it’s more ventilators, more equipment, more hospital beds, or more medical staff to help operate these facilities, so that we can be ready for a surge that could overwhelm our system. We also need the public to do its part by staying home and helping us slow the spread of this virus. The more time we have to prepare, the better chance we have to meet the challenges posed by COVID-19. We all have a role and responsibility to slow the spread.”

Currently, San Francisco has about 1,300 staffed regular medical-surgical beds and 200 staffed intensive care unit (ICU) beds in its hospitals. These beds have appropriate staffing and supplies today to care for an initial surge of patients with COVID-19. The Department of Public Health and San Francisco’s hospitals, acting together as part of the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California, are preparing to care for more patients than we could handle with our current capacity.

The call for more beds could include providing resources, logistical support, and funding to open pop-up hospitals, outfit existing spaces as medical facilities, and expand capacity at existing hospitals. As part of the hospitals’ collaboration, Dignity Health’s Saint Francis Memorial Hospital will open a new floor dedicated to COVID-19 patients in early April to add another 48 beds. San Francisco is also exploring expanding capacity by 150 beds.

While it’s not possible to predict the exact timing or size of the surge, its severity will be diminished if San Franciscans strictly adhere to the Public Health Order to stay home. This is the single most important action that individuals can take to save lives, along with frequent hand washing.

“We know the virus is here. We are going to be dealing with its impact for some time, and we are doing everything we can to reduce its harms in our community,” said Dr. Colfax. “In San Francisco, our approach is based on science, data and facts. We are attacking the problem of a hospital surge from two directions. The

first is to decompress the hospital and health care system as much as possible now, to make room for new patients. The second is to have a strong, citywide plan for all hospitals that includes the right beds, staffing and supplies for multiple scenarios.”

“A public health issue of this magnitude must be addressed with creative solutions, and there has never been a more important time for hospitals to work together,” said David Klein, MD, MBA, President and CEO of Saint Francis Memorial Hospital, and chair of the San Francisco Section-Hospital Council Northern & Central California. “This collaborative effort to create a dedicated care center for COVID-19 patients is unprecedented and will help ensure hospital care is available for anyone who needs it.”

“We appreciate the leadership of our San Francisco hospitals, Mayor Breed and the Department of Health in working collaboratively during such an unprecedented and challenging moment,” said Bryan Bucklew, President and CEO, Hospital Council Northern & Central California. “Our hospitals are committed to providing the best care for our San Francisco community, the Bay Area and across the state.”

“The public health threat we face as a city and a region calls for the highest level of collaboration among our hospitals,” said Mark R. Laret, President and CEO of UCSF Health. “By coming together, we can respond to this crisis for San Francisco and also show communities across the country how to prepare for their response.”

The first step in surge planning, which is already underway, is to decompress the current health care system. Those activities include:

- **Ordering** San Franciscans—and Bay Area residents—to stay home to reduce the spread of the virus citywide, lessen infection among vulnerable populations, and diminish the demand on hospitals and the health system
- Restricting visitors to **hospitals, long-term care facilities** and **residential facilities** to protect the health of vulnerable populations and reduce their risk of exposure, complications and extended or initial hospitalization.
- **Cancelling** or postponing of elective surgeries and routine medical appointments, moving services to telephone and video conference as appropriate to reduce the volume of patients in the health system
- Providing childcare for health care workers at hospitals across the city to make it easier for them to continue working during the shelter in place order
- Providing places outside the hospital for people with suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 to remain safe and isolated, to free up hospital beds that are not providing hospital-level care
- **Ordering** enhanced cleaning of SROs, expanded shelter hours and more meals served in shelters and navigation centers to improve the health and safety of vulnerable populations and reduce hospitalizations.

The second step is to build capacity in the hospital system to care for more patients. Those activities include:

- All hospitals in San Francisco have been jointly planning, sharing protocols

and information, and developing a unified approach;

- Opening a dedicated COVID-19 floor at Saint Francis Memorial Hospital, with 40 medical-surgical beds and 8 ICU beds, that is equipped and staffed through contributions of Saint Francis, ZSFG and UCSF;
- Expedited hiring of DPH nurses that will add some 220 registered nurses to the workforce;
- Increasing hospital and staff capacity and coordinating supplies and equipment citywide; and
- Increasing the amount of supplies and equipment, including personal protective equipment (PPE), through advocacy at the state and federal level, supplemented by the support of donors.

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City procures one million masks from the state for front line workers, hires 82 qualified nurses who can start immediately to serve patients affected by COVID-

19

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that San Francisco hired 82 qualified nurses this weekend as part of the City's efforts to rapidly expand capacity in the City's health care network to respond to coronavirus. Additionally, the City is procuring one million N-95 personal

protective masks from the state, which will immediately be put to use by front line workers.

The nurse hiring took place this weekend at two hiring fairs that were announced by Mayor Breed last week. Mayor Breed issued a Declaration waiving provisions of Civil Service Commission Rules and provisions of the Charter regarding hiring, allowing the City to hire employees that are necessary to respond to the COVID-19 local emergency. The City expects to hire another 140 nurses in the coming weeks for a total of roughly 220 new nurses.

San Francisco will procure one million masks from the California Office of Emergency Services to ensure that front line workers have the equipment they need to protect themselves from coronavirus while treating patients and responding to emergencies.

“The aggressive steps that we’ve taken to slow the spread of coronavirus in our community is only one part of what we know is needed to respond to this pandemic,” said Mayor Breed. “We’re also preparing to increase the capacity of our health care system by hiring more nurses, while ensuring that we have the equipment needed to keep them safe as they do their important work. Our focus right now is doing everything we can to slow the spread and ensure that our hospitals are as prepared as possible for the increased demand that we know is coming soon. I want to thank the Governor and the state for their support during this challenging time.”

DPH hosted invitation-only nurse hiring fairs this past weekend, and will continue hosting hiring fairs until all vacancies are filled. DPH Human Resources contacted candidates who had already applied and conducted background checks, including fingerprints and medical screenings. Newly hired nurses will be able to start work this week, pending clearances.

As part of the City’s response to coronavirus, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is coordinating the supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) in San Francisco. The EOC is working closely with health systems throughout the City, the California Department of Public Health, and federal partners to obtain additional shipments of PPE while coordinating the allocation of PPE where it is needed throughout the health system.

This weekend, it was announced that Flexport, a San Francisco-based company, had delivered 60,000 surgical masks, 34,000 gloves, 2,000 surgical gowns, and 50 thermometers to the EOC. Facebook additionally announced a donation of PPE to Bay Area counties, including San Francisco.

The City and County of San Francisco has established a system for individuals to give monetarily through [Give2SF.org](https://www.give2sf.org) to support the COVID-19 response. In addition to monetary donations, the City is requesting sealed PPE, cleaning supplies, and technology equipment for essential employees to telecommute.

To receive these requests, the City has set up the Donations Management Branch

at the EOC, which is staffed by the City Administrator's Office.

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MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO GIVE2SF FUND, PRIORITY AREAS FOR SUPPORTING SAN FRANCISCANS

Give2SF COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund will provide San Franciscans with food security, access to housing, and security for workers and small businesses

The Hellman Foundation is contributing \$1 million; Ann and Gordon Getty are contributing \$1 million to the Fund

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced the City has identified three priority areas for the immediate use of the Give2SF COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund: food security; access to housing; and security for workers and small businesses. The Hellman Foundation will contribute \$1 million, and Ann and Gordon Getty will contribute \$1 million to the Give2SF Fund. Mayor Breed announced additional contributions to the Give2SF Fund

from Crankstart Foundation, Stupski Foundation, Tom and Theresa Preston-Werner, Cruise co-founders Kyle Vogt and Dan Kan, and Mark Pincus. Salesforce and Wells Fargo previously announced contributions to the Fund.

“There are so many San Franciscans who are struggling to make rent, put food on the table, and keep their small business open,” said Mayor Breed. “That’s why we created the Give2SF Fund, which is collecting support for our small businesses and individuals who are dealing with the challenges of COVID-19. We are grateful for the generous contributions of private donors and philanthropic organizations who are supporting our efforts to take care of our residents during this incredibly difficult time.”

Mayor Breed established the Give2SF Fund as part of the Second Supplement to Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency issued on March 13, 2020.

Contributions to the Give2SF Fund

- Salesforce - \$1.5 million
- Ann and Gordon Getty - \$1 million
- Hellman Foundation - \$1 million
- Crankstart Foundation - \$500,000
- Stupski Foundation - \$500,000
- Tom and Theresa Preston-Werner - \$250,000
- Wells Fargo - \$150,000
- Cruise co-founders, Kyle Vogt and Dan Kan - \$100,000 (with additional support following from employees’ contributions and matches)
- Mark Pincus - \$100,000

In addition to the funds listed above, the online portal, Give2SF.org, has received nearly \$250,000 in monetary donations from over 1,000 individuals to date.

The following Give2SF priority areas were selected based on analysis of the most pressing needs, the swiftest available methods to deliver impactful support, and with an equity lens to address disparities faced by certain communities.

Food Security

Using funds from Give2SF, the City will provide grocery store gift cards to eligible San Francisco residents for online or in-person purchase of food items. A number of special populations are particularly at risk of experiencing food insecurity during the current coronavirus crisis, including undocumented and mixed status households; low-income households with a pregnant woman or infant; and older adults and persons who have underlying health conditions who are quarantined and/or who have lost in-home support.

Access to Housing

Contributions to the Give2SF Fund will allow the City to provide flexible short-term financial relief to individuals and families who are experiencing a housing crisis or are at imminent risk of a housing crisis related to COVID-19. Specifically, the City will focus funding support on low-income households and

households that are directly impacted by COVID-19 as a result of job loss, a reduction of hours, closure of a place of employment, or other similarly caused loss of income or financial need that resulted from the pandemic.

Direct financial assistance will include, but is not limited to, rent, including deposit and arrears; mortgage payments; and utilities, including deposit and arrears.

Security for Workers and Small Businesses

With donations to Give2SF, the City will make financial relief accessible for vulnerable workers and families at risk of heightened financial insecurity due to COVID-19. City relief will supplement existing resources for housing and food security in the event state or federal resources are not available, and will ensure that vulnerable populations can have their basic financial needs met.

A number of special populations are particularly at risk of experiencing financial insecurity during the current crisis, including older adults and people with underlying health conditions, low-income families with children, undocumented and mixed-status households, and independent contractors.

“As a doctor and mother, I feel a particular urgency to provide solutions,” said Dr. Tricia Hellman Gibbs, MD, Board Chair, Hellman Foundation. “As a member of a multigenerational Bay Area family here since the Gold Rush, I care and worry about our beloved California. I encourage those of us who are in a position to support our neighbors to do so. My family has always felt it our responsibility to help take care of our communities, and today more than ever, we hope this effort on the part of the Hellman Foundation and others will help reach the most vulnerable among us right now, particularly those who are unhoused, working hourly wage jobs, or heroically helping the sick in our health care systems. Pandemics don’t stop at county lines or the Bay Bridge. Now is the time for us to come together and recognize that a collective, regional, and long-term commitment is the best way to address this crisis.”

The City Administrator’s Office, the Controller’s Office, the Department of Emergency Management and the Office of the Mayor are working collaboratively to determine the allocation of the Give2SF Fund. Anyone interested in making a monetary contribution to the City and County of San Francisco can do so at www.give2sf.org. Money can be donated via check or wire to the Office of the Controller or through the Give2SF website via credit card. It is preferable that large donations be made by check or wire so no credit card merchant fees are incurred.

In addition to monetary donations, the City is requesting sealed personal protective equipment (PPE) for frontline health workers, cleaning supplies, and technology equipment for essential employees to telecommute. For information on donations of in-kind goods and services, please email: give2sf@sfgov.org.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES ARTS
RELIEF PROGRAM**

\$2.5 million in support will go to working artists and arts and cultural organizations financially impacted by COVID-19

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced an Arts Relief Program to invest directly in working artists and arts and cultural organizations financially impacted by COVID-19. The investment is a combination of funding strategies designed to help the arts and culture community through grants and low-interest loans to organizations and working artists most impacted by this crisis. The Arts Relief Program will be funded by an initial \$2.5 million from the City.

“Our artists and cultural institutions are at the heart of who we are as a City and a community,” said Mayor Breed. “This community is also getting hit hard right now as people are suffering from job loss, business closures, and economic disruption during the COVID-19 outbreak. We need to do everything we can to stabilize our arts community now. I hope our public investment will encourage private donors to join us in supporting our vulnerable artists during this

challenging time.”

“San Francisco is defined by our vibrant arts and culture and we need to support this sector now more than ever,” said City Administrator Naomi M. Kelly, who administers Grants for the Arts. “Although this emergency has paused many live performances, we will do all we can to provide support to the artists and organizations who make them possible during this trying time.”

The program will consist of two options, a grants program and low-interest loans, that will allow artists and organizations to choose what best meets their needs. The philanthropic community will be allowed to donate to these programs to expand impact.

Grants Program

\$1.5 million will go towards grants to individual artists, teaching artists, and small- to mid- budget sized arts and cultural organizations administered by the Center for Cultural Innovation. The Fund will prioritize the needs of those serving cultural populations that are the most vulnerable—black, indigenous, immigrant, trans, and people with disabilities. Individuals may apply for up to \$2,000. Organization awards will range from \$5,000 to \$25,000 and will be scaled based on budget size. The general operating grants may be used to pay rent and salaries, to retain employees, and help keep artists and organizations in San Francisco.

Low-Interest Loans

\$1 million will go towards low-interest loans to small- to mid-budget sized arts and cultural organizations administered by the Arts Loan Fund (ALF) of Northern California Grantmakers. ALF is a revolving loan program, which already makes low-interest loans to support arts and cultural organizations.

Roberto Ordeñana, San Francisco Arts Commission President:

“We appreciate the Mayor’s leadership in recognizing the urgent need and acting quickly to provide financial assistance to the artists and cultural nonprofits who need our City’s support.”

Deborah Cullinan, Co-Chair, SF Arts Alliance and CEO, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts:

“In this unprecedented moment, we salute Mayor Breed’s expedient and decisive actions in support of the health and wellbeing of the people of San Francisco. Our city’s artists, art workers and arts organizations are deeply impacted along with our colleagues across the nonprofit sector. We stand in solidarity with our Mayor in prioritizing those who are most vulnerable and we are buoyed by her commitment to the essential role of art and culture in defining and inspiring our city. We hope that those who are able will match this vision.”

Laura Poppiti, Bay Area Grants Program Director with the Center for Cultural Innovation:

“We’re honored to partner with the City on this important initiative. We know this investment in our arts and culture community comes at a critical time, and these funds will make a meaningful impact.”

Adriana Griño, Co-Chair, Arts Loan Fund Steering Committee;

Arts Program Officer, Kenneth Rainin Foundation:

“This contribution from the City of San Francisco is vital to ensuring that arts and culture organizations have the resources they need to continue their work during this challenging time. The Arts Loan Fund remains dedicated to supporting these organizations and the critical role they play in their communities.”

**Frances Phillips, Co-Chair, Arts Loan Fund Steering Committee;
Program Director, Walter & Elise Haas Fund:**

“Daily we hear from arts and cultural organizations that are struggling to cover basic expenses and pay their staffs and artists when they cannot be open to the public. The COVID-19 Emergency Loan is meant to help them meet those essential costs as our community adapts to life-saving shelter in place practices. The Arts Loan Fund’s steering committee pledges to move quickly with requests.”

In addition to the Arts Relief Fund, San Francisco has also launched the Give2SF Fund at www.give2sf.org, which allows the City to accept tax-deductible monetary contributions. These contributions can be spent on various City efforts to respond to the novel coronavirus outbreak and support residents. In addition to monetary donations, the City is requesting sealed personal protective equipment (PPE) for frontline health workers, cleaning supplies, and technology equipment for essential employees to telecommute.

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Subject: *** PRESS RELEASE *** MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SUPERVISOR CATHERINE STEFANI ANNOUNCE CRITICAL DONATION OF NEEDED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
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***** PRESS RELEASE *****
**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SUPERVISOR
CATHERINE STEFANI ANNOUNCE CRITICAL
DONATION OF NEEDED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE
EQUIPMENT**

*Supplies—including surgical masks, gloves, surgical gowns, and thermometers—
provided by Flexport will go directly to San Francisco's frontline workers*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Catherine Stefani today announced a large donation of personal protective equipment (PPE) for frontline healthcare workers. Flexport, a San Francisco-based company, donated surgical masks, gloves, gowns, and thermometers to San Francisco's efforts to respond to COVID-19. Supervisor Stefani was instrumental in coordinating the donation of the PPE, which will be put to immediate use through the Emergency Operations Center.

"Our frontline healthcare workers and first responders are doing heroic work to

protect people and save lives during this crisis,” said Mayor Breed. “As we plan for the surge of medical cases in our hospitals, we need more equipment to protect our workers and keep them healthy and safe. Here in San Francisco, we aren’t waiting around and hoping this equipment appears – we are doing the work to find it anywhere we can. We are grateful to Flexport for providing these supplies at this critical moment in our City’s response.”

“When Ryan reached out to ask how Flexport could help during this pandemic, I was reminded again of the strength, resilience, and compassion of our community,” said Supervisor Stefani. “I was thrilled—but not surprised—to hear that Flexport is stepping up to deliver thousands of much needed surgical gowns, gloves, masks, and more to our local efforts to flatten the curve. When we all step up, there’s no challenge too great for San Francisco.”

As part of the City's response to coronavirus, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is coordinating the supply of PPE in San Francisco. The EOC is working closely with health systems throughout the City, the California Department of Public Health, and federal partners to obtain additional shipments of PPE while coordinating the allocation of PPE where it is needed throughout the health system. Flexport delivered the following supplies to San Francisco’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at Moscone Center on Friday, March 20:

- 60,000 surgical masks
- 34,000 gloves
- 2,000 surgical gowns
- 50 thermometers

These supplies will be delivered directly to frontline workers through the Department of Public Health’s Department Operations Center. Mayor Breed and City leaders will continue to work with private companies to secure more PPE for workers.

“We are in awe of the brave first-responders and healthcare workers confronting this epidemic,” said Ryan Petersen, CEO of Flexport. “Through a long-standing partnership with non-profit organization [MedShare.org](https://www.medshare.org), we were able to deliver the first wave of personal protective equipment to the city today. Flexport is a global logistics company, and we will not rest until we’ve scoured the entire globe for supplies of the personal protective equipment that our city’s healthcare workers need to stay safe and fight this battle on our behalf.”

Flexport is a freight forwarding and customs brokerage company that was founded with the goal of modernizing global trade. Flexport combines advanced cloud technology and analytics logistics infrastructure, and the human expertise it takes to make global supply chains more efficient and transparent.

“We are responding to this emergency and planning ahead for our recovery,” said City Administrator Naomi M. Kelly. “Monetary contributions and large non-monetary supply donations will help ensure we literally save lives. I am thankful that Flexport has demonstrated this necessary leadership at this crucial time.”

“Once again, San Francisco and the Bay Area show what community is all about,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “I am so grateful for this donation of personal protective equipment for our frontline health care workers. As we prepare for an expected surge of COVID-19 patients who need hospitalization, these supplies will be essential to maintain community health. As we continue to advocate at the state and federal level for the equipment and supplies we need, it is heartening to see local actions like these in support of our San Francisco health care workforce.”

The City and County of San Francisco has established a system for individuals to give monetarily through [Give2SF.org](https://www.give2sf.org) to support the COVID-19 response. In addition to monetary donations, the City is requesting sealed PPE, cleaning supplies, and technology equipment for essential employees to telecommute.

To receive these requests, the City has set up the Donations Management Branch at the EOC, which is staffed by the City Administrator’s Office.

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From: [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)
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Subject: Fwd: *** PRESS RELEASE *** MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES PATRICK O'RIORDAN TO SERVE AS INTERIM DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION
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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES
PATRICK O'RIORDAN TO SERVE AS INTERIM
DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING
INSPECTION**

*O'Riordan will begin immediately as Interim Director as a nation-wide search
begins for a new Director of Department of Building Inspections*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and the Building Inspection Commission (BIC) today announced the appointment of Chief Building Inspector Patrick O'Riordan to serve as the Interim Director of the Department of Building Inspections (DBI), effective immediately.

O'Riordan brings nearly 35 years of relevant experience to the job, having started in construction in 1985. He has hands-on field experience from working as a carpenter and foreman, and eventually started his own small business as a general contractor from 1992 to 2000. He currently serves as the Chief Building Inspector

at DBI.

“The Department of Building Inspections is critical for the residents, businesses, and property owners who rely on their services every day and I want to thank Patrick O’Riordan for stepping up to serve during this time of transition,” said Mayor Breed. “It is important that everything possible be done to restore public trust, and I am confident that the process underway between the City Attorney and the Controller will result in significant reforms to ensure that this happens.”

“I accept the responsibilities the Commission is giving me today with sincere humility and appreciation of your confidence in my building and construction experience and expertise,” said Interim Director O’Riordan. “I will do everything I can to fulfill your expectations, and to provide the Department with the leadership needed during these times of public health challenges.”

The Department of Building Inspection oversees the enforcement of the City and County of San Francisco’s building, housing, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, and disability access codes for San Francisco’s more than 200,000 buildings.

“On behalf of the Commission, we congratulate Interim Director O’Riordan and look forward to working closely with him—and with all DBI staff—as we move forward to continue to ensure that DBI’s talented and dedicated professional staff provide the outstanding public services required to keep the City’s buildings structurally safe,” said Angus McCarthy, President of the BIC.

“The Commission also conveys its gratitude to Deputy Director for Finance and Administration, Taras Madison, who has been serving as Acting Director, for her invaluable leadership during this extraordinary period when the San Francisco Public Health Director and the Mayor have issued a Public Health Order that attempts to reduce the numbers of COVID-19 virus infections by minimizing social contact. Taras has done an excellent job, and we are most appreciative for her leadership during these very challenging times,” Commission President McCarthy added.

Mayor Breed sent a letter on March 10th to President McCarthy calling for the previous DBI Director, Tom Hui, to be removed from his position following a report from the City Attorney documenting a number of legal and ethical violations that had been committed. Hui submitted a letter of retirement on March 11th. The City Attorney and the Controller are undergoing an independent investigation and will recommend reforms to the Department once their process is completed.

The BIC also announced it is commencing a nation-wide search, effective today, for the Department’s permanent Director. The search is expected to take several months, with the Commission providing periodic updates as details are available.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES EXPEDITED
HIRING OF HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS TO
SUPPORT COVID-19 RESPONSE**

Under the new policy, the Department of Public Health can hire qualified, licensed nurses more quickly. DPH will host an invite-only hiring fair at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital this weekend.

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced a Declaration to expedite City hiring of employees that are necessary to respond to the COVID-19 local emergency. Mayor Breed's Declaration temporarily waives provisions of Civil Service Commission Rules and provisions of the Charter regarding hiring, in order to ensure continuity of City operations in response to COVID-19. Critical City employees include nurses and other public health professionals.

This Declaration allows the Department of Public Health (DPH) to hire nurses and other front line health care workers more quickly, which will help the health

care system in San Francisco respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Typically, the hiring process for nurses takes six months or more. This change allows the City to hire qualified, licensed nurses “on the spot,” rather than through the normal months-long process.

“Our health workers are on the front lines of this public health emergency and as the situation evolves, we need to make sure we have enough nurses available to care for people who need medical care,” said Mayor Breed. “We need to move swiftly to respond to the coronavirus, and one of the most important parts of that response is making sure we have enough nurses in our hospitals. I want to thank all the health care workers that have been working night and day to support our community, and we hope this new policy can relieve some of the pressure on our health care system.”

“I strongly support Mayor Breed’s Declaration to expedite the hiring of front line health care workers immediately,” said Supervisor Catherine Stefani. “Our nurses and health care professionals are the brave people who run toward danger when the rest of us are in crisis. Earlier this year, I held a hearing on hiring critical positions to make sure that San Francisco had the capacity to ensure the safety of our residents. As we confront this pandemic, it is more important than ever that our public health and safety infrastructure is up to the task.”

“Being fully staffed and prepared with critical front line nurses is one of the most critical aspects of dealing with this impending health crisis,” said Supervisor Ahsha Safaí. “I’m proud to have worked with our nurses and their union, SEIU 1021 and our Department of Human Resources to come up with an aggressive hiring plan in this time of need. We can’t wait one more day to hire nurses.”

Mayor Breed issued this Declaration under the powers of the Local Emergency she declared on February 25th. The Declaration will be in effect for 30 days, and can be extended by the Mayor for another 30 days through an Executive Order. If the Local Emergency declared by the Mayor is rescinded at any point, the Declaration will cease to be in effect.

DPH will host an invitation-only nurse hiring fair at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital this weekend, and will continue hosting hiring fairs until all vacancies are filled. The hiring fair is not open to the public. Under the most recent Public Health Order, prospective DPH employees will be allowed to leave their homes to attend the hiring fair because hiring more health care workers is considered an essential service. Fair attendance will be staggered to allow for social distancing.

DPH Human Resources has begun contacting candidates who have already applied and are qualified to see if they are still interested. If they are interested and pass the pre-employment screen, they will be issued a conditional offer letter of employment and invited to the fair to complete the onboarding process. At the hiring fair, background checks, including fingerprints and medical screenings, will be conducted. Qualified candidates may be able to start work the following week, pending clearances.

This expedited hiring builds upon human resources improvements already underway at DPH and speeds up the Department's plan to hire nurses in 45 days or fewer.

"Supporting and protecting our health care workforce is a top priority," said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. "They are courageously on the front lines, keeping our community healthy and safe every day. Today's action will allow us to bring on more nurses quickly, to be prepared to meet the demands of the coronavirus response, and to augment the workforce that is currently here and working round the clock. We must provide our nurses, and all health care workers, with the support, protection and supplies they need to respond to COVID-19."

"The role that nursing plays in keeping our communities healthy and safe is invaluable," said Micki Callahan, Human Resources Director. "This expedited hiring plan focuses on hiring competent, qualified, and compassionate Registered Nurses quickly to provide relief to a healthcare system that is in high demand as we navigate the impacts of the Coronavirus on our City."

COVID-19 has put significant pressure on healthcare systems around the world. San Francisco is moving proactively to hire more healthcare workers so that the City can best respond to COVID-19.

The Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco has issued a [Public Health Order](#) requiring that residents stay in their homes, with few exceptions, through April 7, 2020. This order is designed to protect community health by slowing the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19. These are systemic as well as individual changes that will make a difference in people's lives.

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your home to seek medical treatment, you may wear a mask or similar personal protective equipment (PPE) to prevent spreading illness to others.

Find the answers to frequently asked questions about the order at [SF.gov/coronavirus](https://sf.gov/coronavirus).

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Dear Board and Commission Members:

The Ethics Commission has prepared the attached information to provide you with information and tools to assist you in complying with public disclosure laws that may apply to fundraising activities you may be engaged in to benefit the emergency Give2SF Fund, which the Mayor and City Administrator announced the creation of on March 13.

We are also providing this information to Department Heads and departmental Filing Officers via this email for their reference.

Thank you in advance for taking time to review the attachment.

As always, please feel free to be in touch with our office if you have any questions or would like further information.

Regards,
LeeAnn

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES A
MORATORIUM ON COMMERCIAL EVICTIONS FOR
SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZE BUSINESSES IN SAN
FRANCISCO**

Following Governor Newsom's Executive Order yesterday, San Francisco will put a moratorium on commercial evictions for small businesses that are unable to pay rent as a result of coronavirus impacts

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced a moratorium on commercial evictions for small and medium-sized businesses related to financial impacts caused by COVID-19. The moratorium will prevent any small to medium-sized business from being evicted due to a loss of income related to lost revenue or other economic impacts caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under normal state law, localities are prohibited from regulating commercial evictions. San Francisco is allowed to take this action following Governor Gavin

Newsom's [Executive Order that was signed yesterday](#), and Mayor Breed issued this moratorium under the powers of the Local Emergency she declared on February 25th. The small and medium-sized business eviction moratorium will be in effect for 30 days, and can be extended by the Mayor for another 30 days through an Executive Order. If the Local Emergency declared by the Mayor is rescinded at any point, the moratorium will cease to be in effect.

This commercial eviction moratorium will apply to businesses with a license to operate in San Francisco that have less than \$25 million in annual gross receipts. This follows a moratorium on residential evictions that Mayor Breed announced on March 13th.

“The steps we have taken to protect public health are absolutely necessary, but we know that they are having a huge impact on our workers and our businesses,” said Mayor Breed. “Now that the Governor has waived laws allowing us to prevent commercial evictions, we are taking action to make sure that our small businesses are not displaced as a result of the economic impact caused by coronavirus. We will continue to push for more immediate state and federal support in addition to the programs we’ve introduced locally, because this pandemic is having major widespread economic impacts on almost every business and resident in our city.”

Yesterday, Mayor Breed announced the Workers and Families First Program to provide paid sick leave to private sector workers who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This plan will include \$10 million in public funding that will provide businesses with funding to provide an additional five days of sick leave pay to workers beyond their existing policies. If fully used, this program would support over 16,000 additional weeks of sick leave pay, providing coverage for up to 25,000 San Francisco employees.

The City has also launched efforts to support small businesses include deferring business taxes and licensing fees, launching a relief fund for impacted businesses, supporting nonprofits funded by the City so workers don't lose their incomes, working with partners in the philanthropic and private sector, and advocating for state and federal support for workers and businesses. This includes the www.Give2SF.org fund, where donations can be made to support both small businesses and individuals impacted by coronavirus. The City launched a website to serve as a one-stop shop for all resources, contacts, and updates for small businesses: www.oewd.org/covid19.

“The COVID-19 pandemic is doing severe harm to small businesses in San Francisco and elsewhere, and we must take aggressive steps to help them survive and reopen after the stay-at-home order ends,” said Senator Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco), who announced legislation along with Senator Lorena Gonzalez (D-San Diego) to place a moratorium on commercial evictions. “The last thing we need is permanent mass closure of San Francisco small businesses due to inability to pay rent. We need to hit the pause button and allow these businesses — many of whom have little or no revenue at the moment — not to pay rent while still keeping their spaces. I applaud Mayor Breed for quickly stepping up to enact an emergency moratorium on commercial evictions. We will also continue to pursue state legislation so that we’re confronting this problem from all angles.”

“Mayor Breed and our state leaders have delivered a crucial lifeline to our small businesses and the employees who depend on them,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “Our neighborhood businesses and their workforce are critical to the culture, economy and vibrancy of San Francisco and we will continue to roll out programs that support the economic infrastructure of our city during this time of extreme need.”

“As a business owner in Chinatown, I am concerned of the survival of my business due to the COVID-19. We’re are feeling the impacts and I fully support the City’s moratorium of business evictions during this challenging time. This will alleviate one of the many financial pressures we are facing as we work to stay afloat,” said Emmy Yu, owner of Dee Dee Boutique.

“As a result of the public health order I had to close my salon immediately and have no other source of income. I depend on my daily bookings to make the rent every month and at this point I would not be able to pay April’s rent. A moratorium on evictions would allow me the time to recover, bounce back, and keep my business open,” said Dimitri Cornet, owner of Werk Salon.

“The measure of protecting businesses from being evicted is perfect because it gives us relief right now. This is going to help me get on with my more than 20-year-old business in the community,” said Cesar Ogaya, owner of Native Forever on 24th Street.

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Subject: Planning Department Closed
Date: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:25:07 AM

Commissioners,

I hope you are all safe and well in the comforts of your own homes. I just wanted to check in with you and let you know that per the CDC and Mayor's decree, the Planning Department Offices are currently closed until April 7th. Staff will be adhering to the shelter in place order and only participate in essential services. During this period, staff who are able will be working from home. Senior Management met yesterday and going forward will be meeting remotely on a regular basis. Based on the Mayor's directive we anticipate issuing another notice of cancellation and continuances for the April 1st hearing. All items from the March 18th and April 1st hearings will be continued to the 15th. Please keep in mind that the April 15th hearing date is an optimistically conservative estimate as staff is only expected to be allowed back into the office on April 7th.

During this period, I will continue to update you with any new developments as needed.

The City's Department of Technology and City Hall's Media Services continue to develop a platform for future remote hearings.

The world is moving into a new era of normalcy. Feel free to reach out with any questions, issues and/or concerns. I will continue to be available to you remotely via mobile phone, text or email.

Happy Saint Patty's Day!

Cheers,
Jonas

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**SAN FRANCISCO ISSUES NEW PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
REQUIRING RESIDENTS STAY AT HOME EXCEPT FOR
ESSENTIAL NEEDS**

Essential government services to remain open, such as transit, police, fire, and healthcare services, as well as essential stores like grocery markets, pharmacies, banks, and gas stations.

Restaurants limited to take-out and delivery only; bars, gyms, and non-essential stores to close

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco has issued a Public Health Order requiring that residents remain in place, with the only exception being for essential needs. This measure is necessary to slow the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the community. The Order is effective as of midnight on Tuesday, March 17th and is effective until April 7th, 2020, or until it is extended.

“We know these measures will significantly disrupt people’s day to day lives, but they are absolutely necessary,” said Mayor Breed. “This is going to be a defining moment for our City and we all have a responsibility to do our part to protect our neighbors and slow the spread of this virus by staying at home unless it is absolutely essential to go outside. I want to encourage everyone to remain calm and emphasize that all essential needs will continue to be met. San Francisco has overcome big challenges before and we will do it again, together.”

The Order directs all residents to remain at their place of residence, except to conduct Essential Activities, Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions (defined below). When conducting an allowed activity, people must maintain at least 6 feet of social distancing from everyone other than household members.

- All businesses, other than Essential Businesses and Essential Government Functions, are required to cease all operations. All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single family or living unit are prohibited, except for the exemptions listed below.

All travel, including but not limited to walking, biking, driving, or taking public transit is prohibited, except to perform Essential Activities, operate Essential Businesses, or to maintain Essential Government Functions. Individuals may go on a walk, get exercise, or take a pet outside to go to the bathroom, as long as at least six feet of social distancing is maintained. People riding on public transit must maintain at least six feet of social distancing from other passengers.

Homeless individuals are not subject to the shelter in place order but are encouraged to seek shelter, and the City will be working with the State, following up on the Governor’s announcement yesterday, to maximize available resources for the homeless population.

Essential Activities (exemptions to the shelter in place order) include:

- Tasks essential to maintain health and safety, such as obtaining medicine or seeing a doctor;
- Getting necessary services or supplies for themselves or their family or household members, such as getting food and supplies, pet food, and getting supplies necessary for staying at home;
- Engaging in outdoor activity, such as walking, hiking, or running provided that you maintain at least six feet of social distancing;
- Performing work providing essential services at an Essential Business or Essential Government function (defined below);
- Caring for a family member in another household;
- Caring for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons.

Exemptions. Individuals may leave their place of residence to:

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1. **Operate an Essential Business, which includes:**
 - Healthcare operations, including home health workers;
 - Essential Infrastructure, including construction of housing and operation of public transportation and utilities;
 - Grocery stores, farmers’ markets, food banks, convenience stores;

- Businesses that provide necessities of life for economically disadvantaged individuals and shelter facilities;
- Pharmacies, health care supply stores, and health care facilities;
- Gas stations and auto repair facilities;
- Banks;
- Garbage collection;
- Hardware stores, plumbers, electricians, and other service providers necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences and other essential businesses;
- Educational institutions, for the purposes of facilitating distance learning;
- Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers;
- Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, and goods directly to residences;
- Childcare facilities providing services that enable essential employees to go to work;
- Roles required for any Essential Business to “maintain basic operations,” which include security, payroll, and similar activities.

2. Perform an Essential Government Function:

- This includes all services needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies and provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public.

“As the coronavirus situation continues to change rapidly in our city and region, I want to make sure that all San Franciscans understand that we are entering a new phase in our response. Our response has been grounded in data, science, and facts,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “Based on what we can predict, now is the time to do everything we can to prevent the situation from getting much worse in a matter of days or weeks. Every hour counts. We need and appreciate the cooperation of everyone who lives and works in San Francisco—and across the Bay Area—to act immediately.”

The Department of Public Health urges people not to rush to urgent care or emergency rooms for COVID-19 testing or non-emergency needs. Do not overwhelm the health system or the emergency response system at this time. We need it to care for those who are seriously ill. If you are otherwise sick or concerned you may have coronavirus, contact your health care provider.

The Department of Public Health has issued aggressive recommendations to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the community. The recommendations for social distancing are intended to disrupt the spread of the virus and protect community health. These are systemic as well as individual changes that will make a difference in people’s lives. Although the recommendations cause inconvenience, they are necessary and worthwhile to reduce the spread of the virus and interrupt its transmission from person to person.

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***** PRESS RELEASE *****

SAN FRANCISCO TO SUSPEND POWER AND WATER SHUTOFFS, WAIVE PENALTIES AND INTEREST FOR DELINQUENT PAYMENTS

Both SFPUC and SFMTA implement policies as part of City's Local Emergency response to COVID-19 pandemic

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) will no longer shut off water or power for delinquent payments, and that both the SFPUC and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) will no longer add penalties on to delinquent payments during the City's Local Emergency response to coronavirus. These actions are part of the City's response to reduce financial impacts on individuals during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“We are continuing to implement policies to protect our residents who are struggling due to loss of income during this challenging public health crisis,” said Mayor Breed. “As we did with suspending residential evictions, this is about making sure that everyone can be safe and healthy at a time when we all should be focusing on public health.”

“Many working families have been severely hit with the loss in wages due to COVID-19,” said Supervisor Ahsha Safai. “They are concerned how they will pay their rent, let alone their utility bills. I am glad that the SFPUC and SFMTA are providing much needed relief by waiving shut offs and delinquent payments. I look forward to working with the Mayor and my colleagues to see what additional supports we can provide to working families during this time of crisis”

“We must do everything in our power to relieve pressure on working people in San Francisco as we collectively face this crisis,” said San Francisco Supervisor Hillary Ronen. “We must delay or eliminate every bill we can to make it as easy as possible to heed the advice of our public health officials.”

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission is suspending for 60 days the following:

- The discontinuation or shut off of water service for residents and businesses in San Francisco for non-payment of water and sewer bills,
- The imposition of late payment penalties or fees for delinquent water and/or sewer bills,
- The discontinuation or shut off of power service for SFPUC Hetch Hetchy Power Customers in San Francisco for non-payment of power bills,
- The imposition of late payment penalties or fees for delinquent Hetch Hetchy Power Customer accounts, and
- The return of delinquent CleanPowerSF Customers to PG&E generation service for failure to pay CleanPowerSF charges.

“Our top priority is to continue to deliver water, power and sewer services to all customers during this difficult time,” said Harlan L. Kelly, Jr, General Manager of the SFPUC. “This effort allows us to do that and gives customers the peace of mind that loss of income won’t impact access to these essential life services.”

The SFMTA will take the following the actions until further notice:

- Suspend new late penalties on citations,
- Extend deadlines for submitting citation protests, and
- No longer forward additional delinquent citations to the Department of Motor Vehicles or Special Collections.

“Our agency is committed to doing our part in providing much needed relief for San Franciscans impacted by the COVID-19 emergency” said Jeffrey Tumlin, SFMTA Director of Transportation. “We know that penalties in difficult times are a burden, and we’re also sensitive to the need to limit in-person transactions.”

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\$10 million Workers and Families First program will grant private sector workers impacted by COVID-19 pandemic an additional week of paid sick leave

San Francisco, CA – Today, Mayor London N. Breed announced a Workers and Families First Program to provide paid sick leave to private sector workers who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This plan will include \$10 million in public funding that will provide businesses with funding to provide an additional five days of sick leave pay to workers beyond their existing policies.

The Workers and Families First Program will reduce economic impacts on San Francisco workers and businesses caused by coronavirus, and encourage employees to stay home when they are sick or caring for a family member. If fully used, this program would support over 16,000 additional weeks of sick leave pay, providing coverage for up to 25,000 San Francisco employees.

“Public health comes first in this crisis, but we know that many people have less flexibility to stay home and keep paying their rent if they do get sick,” said Mayor Breed. “We want everyone to know that staying home to take care of themselves and their families is the most important thing they can do, not only for their own health but also to slow the spread of this virus in our community. By providing more paid sick leave to our workers, San Francisco can help us make sure people are making the right choices to help us all get through this crisis.”

The Workers and Families First Program will provide City financial assistance to businesses and nonprofits to provide additional paid sick leave time to employees, over and above their existing policies. All San Francisco businesses will be eligible, with up to 20% of funds reserved for small businesses with 50 or fewer employees. The City will contribute up to one week (40 hours) at \$15.59 per hour (minimum wage) per employee, or \$623 per employee. The employer will pay the difference between the minimum wage and an employee’s full hourly wage.

This program will be available only if the employee has exhausted their currently available sick leave, has exhausted or is not eligible for federal or state supplemental sick leave, and the employer agrees to extend sick leave beyond current benefits. The program will be available for employees to use pursuant to San Francisco’s Paid Sick Leave Ordinance and the March 9, 2020 guidance issued by San Francisco’s Office of Labor Standards Enforcement (OLSE), or any subsequent guidance released by OLSE, including when employees are:

- Sick,
- Self-quarantined to prevent spread,
- Caring for a sick family member,
- Home because of a temporary work closure in response to a public official’s recommendation, or
- Caring for a child who is home because of school/daycare closures in response to a public official’s recommendation.

The Office of Economic and Workforce Development and the Human Services Agency will jointly administer the program. For more information on the Workers and Families First Program go to www.oewd.org.

“The COVID-19 pandemic is a public health crisis, but it is also a calamity for the businesses and employees hardest hit by our mitigation efforts,” said Supervisor Rafael Mandelman. “I want to thank Mayor Breed for the Workers and Families First Program and her broader package of efforts to address the economic hardships facing so many San Franciscans at this difficult time.”

“Staying home when you’re sick should not be a luxury, and paying for sick leave during this crisis should not be a burden on our small businesses,” said Supervisor Hillary Ronen. “We need a national law ensuring paid sick leave for all workers. But despite being in the midst of the worst health crisis in US history, Republicans have whittled down the much-needed federal response and are putting profits over public health. I am proud that San Francisco is setting a model for the nation.”

“San Francisco is going to do everything in its power to support our workforce through this crisis,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of San Francisco’s Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “Federal and state paid sick leave dollars are absolutely critical, but as a City

it's also important that we step up now to support our workers who can't be at work and who are home caring for themselves and their families. We're going to get through this, and when we do, we need our workforce healthy and on its feet and ready to jumpstart our City again."

"During this COVID-19 pandemic, it is more important than ever that we work to fulfill the Human Services Agency's mission of providing support for people in need," said Trent Rhorer, Executive Director, Human Services Agency. "We are proud to partner with OWED to provide working people in San Francisco with paid sick leave."

The City has launched efforts to support small businesses include deferring business taxes and licensing fees, launching a relief fund for impacted businesses, supporting nonprofits funded by the City so workers don't lose their incomes, working with partners in the philanthropic and private sector, and advocating for state and federal support for workers and businesses. This includes the www.Give2SF.org fund, where donations can be made to support both small businesses and individuals impacted by coronavirus. The City launched a website to serve as a one-stop shop for all resources, contacts, and updates for small businesses: www.oewd.org/covid19.

Mayor Breed also announced a policy allowing public workers an advance of their paid time off in the event that they cannot work due to COVID-19 and related public health recommendations.

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Commissioners,
After meeting with your Commission Officers today, the decision was made to cancel your meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 18, 2020 and continue those matters to Wednesday, April 1, 2020.

We anticipate that by April 1st, City Hall will have developed a platform to conduct remote hearings.

This is a dynamic situation that seems to change frequently. Stay safe.

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The City and County of San Francisco can accept tax-deductible monetary contributions to be spent on efforts to respond to the coronavirus outbreak, including providing shelter, food and other assistance to individuals, families, and small businesses in San Francisco that are impacted by the virus

Salesforce contributes \$1.5 million to support the City's response and recovery efforts

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and City Administrator Naomi M. Kelly today announced that the City and County of San Francisco's Give2SF Fund allows the City to accept tax-deductible monetary contributions, which can be spent on various City efforts to respond to the novel coronavirus outbreak and support residents. This includes providing shelter, food, and other types of assistance to help individuals across the City as well as assistance to small businesses impacted by the outbreak.

Salesforce announced a contribution of \$1.5 million to the Give2SF Fund to support the City's emergency response to the novel coronavirus outbreak. Wells Fargo announced a contribution of \$150,000 to the Fund.

The City Administrator's Office, the Controller's Office, the Department of Emergency Management and the Office of the Mayor will work collaboratively to determine the allocation of this fund to the appropriate City agency or agencies. Anyone interested in making a monetary contribution to the City and County of San Francisco through the Give2SF Fund can do so at www.give2sf.org. However, it is preferred that larger donations be made via check to "The Office of the Controller" in order to avoid a cost to the City for merchant fees.

"San Franciscans across the City are feeling major impacts from the measures being taken to mitigate the impacts of coronavirus, and we are focused on doing everything we can to help them through these challenging times," said Mayor Breed. "San Francisco is resilient and we are all in this together. For those of us who are fortunate enough to have resources to spare and who want to help those who are being disproportionately impacted, donating to the City's response and recovery fund is a great way to help."

"San Franciscans have always helped one another during emergencies and this situation is no different. The Give2SF fund allows donors to share their prosperity in support of our neighbors," said City Administrator Naomi M. Kelly. "Contributions of any amount are appreciated and will be wisely used to respond to this emergency."

"San Franciscans take care of each other," said Supervisor Rafael Mandelman. "Time and again throughout this City's history, through natural disasters and health crises, neighbors have stepped up and stepped in to help one another through the toughest times. The Give2SF Fund offers all of us the opportunity to make sure those most impacted by COVID-19 get the assistance they need."

"Salesforce is united with our city and our fellow San Franciscans in this moment," said Ebony Beckwith, EVP and Chief Philanthropy Officer, Salesforce. "We hope that other companies will join in giving back to our city and neighbors."

The City is not accepting non-monetary donations at this time. The City's Emergency Operations Center Logistics Branch will determine how to best accept and allocate non-monetary donations. For more information or questions, please call 311.

"The business community is proud to step up at this critical time and support the Give2SF Fund," said Rodney Fong, President and CEO of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. "San Francisco can emerge stronger and more resilient if we all work together and support our most vulnerable residents. The SF Chamber of Commerce will be encouraging our business members to support the fund so the City can provide the services, shelter, and food to keep all our neighbors safe and healthy."

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**SAN FRANCISCO ISSUES MORATORIUM ON GATHERINGS
OF 100 OR MORE TO SLOW SPREAD OF COVID-19**

*The City and County of San Francisco has issued a Public Health Order prohibiting
gatherings of 100 or more persons*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco has issued a Public Health Order prohibiting all non-essential events of 100 or more persons. This measure is necessary to slow the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the community. The Order is effective immediately.

The San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) previously recommended cancelling or postponing events of 250 or more. In addition to prohibiting events with 100 people or more, DPH recommends that organizations that serve vulnerable populations cancel gatherings of more than 10 people.

“This new Order is an important measure to support public health,” said Mayor Breed. “We need everyone to follow the recommendations of public health officials to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. This order mirrors actions being taken by other local

governments and the state, and is informed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. We know cancelling events and gatherings is a challenge for everyone, but it is essential that we take this step.”

The Order applies to events with 100 people or more but does not apply to: essential government services, transit, office space, hotels, residential buildings, grocery stores, shopping malls, retail establishments, hospitals, medical facilities, community serving organizations like food banks, and other facilities as detailed in the Order.

To allow for appropriate social distancing, restaurants that have a capacity of between 100 and 500 people are allowed to continue operating as long as they reduce their occupancy in half up to a maximum of 100 patrons. For example, a restaurant that has an occupancy of 150 is allowed to operate if it reduces its occupancy in half to 75.

“Today’s action builds on our recommendations last week for social distancing, and makes it easier for people to know exactly how they can help reduce the spread of the virus. Because the virus needs people to spread, by reducing the times and places where large groups of people come together, we can effectively slow it down,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health.

“We hope that this order will encourage people to skip social gatherings for the time being, and promote telecommuting and social distancing. Together, we can fight the spread of coronavirus, reduce harm to our community, and protect the most vulnerable people.”

Businesses with questions about occupancy should contact the San Francisco Fire Department’s Bureau of Fire Prevention at (415) 558-3300.

The national [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) and the [California Department of Public Health](#) on March 12th announced that large gatherings of 250 people or more should be postponed or cancelled, and that gatherings of individuals who are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 should be limited to no more than 10 people.

The Health Department’s chief concern is for vulnerable populations who are most at risk of getting very sick, or dying, if they get COVID-19. That is why DPH recommends that people over 60, or with certain underlying health conditions, limit their outings.

Last week, the Department of Public Health issued aggressive recommendations to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the community. The recommendations for social distancing are intended to disrupt the spread of the virus and protect community health. These are systemic as well as individual changes that will make a difference in people’s lives. Although the recommendations cause inconvenience, they are necessary and worthwhile to reduce the spread of the virus and interrupt its transmission from person to person.

Read the recommendations that apply to vulnerable populations, large gatherings, workplace and businesses, schools, transit and health care settings at www.sfdph.org/dph/alerts/coronavirus.asp and stay up-to-date on coronavirus news and information.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES MORATORIUM ON
EVICTIONS RELATED TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Order will go into effect immediately to prevent evictions of any resident who suffers a loss of income related to COVID-19

San Francisco, CA – Today, Mayor London N. Breed announced a moratorium on residential evictions related to financial impacts caused by COVID-19. The moratorium will prevent any resident from being evicted due to a loss of income related to a business closure, loss of hours or wages, layoffs, or out-of-pocket medical costs caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Mayor issued this moratorium under the powers of the Local Emergency she declared on February 25th.

The eviction moratorium will be in effect for 30 days, and can be extended by the Mayor for another 30 days through an Executive Order. If the Local Emergency declared by the Mayor is rescinded at any point, the moratorium will cease to be in effect.

“Protecting public health means keeping people secure in their housing, which we know is a

challenge right now as our economy and our workers are being severely impacted by this crisis,” said Mayor Breed. “This moratorium will help people stay stable if they lose income because they get sick, a family member gets sick, or their job is impacted by the economic damage the coronavirus is causing. This all part of our larger plan to provide support and resources to everyone in our city who is suffering under the spread of COVID-19.”

“It is imperative that all elected leaders do everything possible to make sure people are safe and secure in their homes and that we prevent evictions,” said Supervisor Dean Preston, a former tenant attorney. “I applaud the Mayor’s decision to take this important step to provide immediate protections for tenants who are unable to pay rent due to this health crisis. I look forward to working with the Mayor and my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors on further efforts to keep people in their homes during this difficult time.”

Under the Mayor’s order, financial impacts means a substantial loss of household income due to business closure, loss of compensable hours of work or wages, layoffs, or extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses.

A financial impact is “related to COVID-19” if it was caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mayor’s Proclamation, the Health Officer’s Declaration of Local Health Emergency, or public health orders related to COVID-19 from local, state, or federal authorities.

Under the order, a tenant must notify their landlord that they cannot pay rent due to a COVID-19 related impact. Within one week of this notice, the tenant must provide documentation or other objective information that they cannot pay rent. Tenants will have up to six months after the termination of the emergency declaration to repay any back due rent.

San Francisco’s actions are part of a broader effort to protect tenants across the state. San José Mayor Sam Liccardo and Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg are working on eviction moratoriums in their cities, and Senator Scott Wiener and Assemblymember Phil Ting are working on legislation to halt evictions and foreclosures in California.

“We thank Mayor Breed for her leadership during this difficult time and want to do our part to support her and the broader community,” said Janan New, Executive Director, San Francisco Apartment Association. “In this time of need, let’s all reach out to our neighbors and care for one another.”

“I applaud Mayor Breed’s protection of tenants impacted by this crisis,” said Randy Shaw, Executive Director, Tenderloin Housing Clinic. “Nobody should lose their home due to the pandemic.”

“As legal services providers working on the front lines to keep vulnerable populations housed, we are especially concerned for our clients, many of whom are especially at risk in the pandemic, like seniors and persons with disabilities,” said Bill Hirsh, Executive Director of AIDS Legal Referral Panel. “We support the Mayor’s efforts to protect the health of tenants and the service providers who are working to assist them.”

“Legal Assistance to the Elderly applauds the Mayor’s actions to stop evictions in San Francisco during this public health emergency,” said Laura Chiera, Executive Director of Legal Assistance to the Elderly. “All of LAE’s clients fall into a high risk group. We have been extremely worried for their health and safety during this time when it is difficult to access

resources and support. We believe that this eviction moratorium is a critical lifesaving action.”

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**SAN FRANCISCO CONVERTS PUBLIC LIBRARIES,
RECREATION FACILITIES TO EMERGENCY CHILD CARE
CENTERS**

Facilities will be closed to the public and will provide child care to the children of health care workers and low-income families

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that beginning Monday, March 16 the Recreation and Park Department and the San Francisco Public Library will begin to operate libraries and indoor recreation facilities as emergency care facilities for children of parents on the front lines of the COVID-19 outbreak and low-income families. Both agencies will suspend regular indoor programming effective Friday, March 13 at 6 p.m.

The decision comes in the wake of public school closures and other safety measures the City is undertaking to respond to the spread of COVID-19. Parents on the front line include San Francisco-based hospital staff, Department of Public Health employees, and activated Disaster Service Workers.

“During this time, health care workers and other essential staff need to be able to keep

working and responding to this public health emergency,” said Mayor Breed. “With this change to our libraries and recreation facilities, young people whose parents need to respond to COVID-19 will have a safe place to go. I want to thank the Library and the Recreation and Park Department for stepping up to provide this critical service for San Francisco families.”

The centers will operate through March 31st. San Francisco Recreation and Park’s recreation facilities will serve grades K through 5, Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The San Francisco Public Library will provide homework help and educational enrichment for youth grades 6-12, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Office of Early Care and Education is continuing to provide support and guidance for existing private childcare providers for children 0-5.

“San Francisco Public Library has long served as a safe haven for youth and an essential provider of educational and recreational resources,” said City Librarian Michael Lambert. “By focusing our organizational capacity on serving as Emergency Youth Care Centers, we are fulfilling our mission and supporting the City’s overall resiliency at a time of critical need.”

“The San Francisco Recreation and Park Department is the largest provider of youth programming outside of the school district,” said Recreation and Park Department General Manager Phil Ginsburg. “We will offer engaging activities akin to a summer camp in order to ease the impact of school closures on San Francisco families.”

“Health care workers are on the front lines every day, keeping our community healthy and safe,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “Right now, the care they are delivering is more vital than ever, as we work together as a City to reduce the spread of the coronavirus. Practically speaking, health care workers often can’t work from home. With school closures and other impacts on our community, their childcare needs are changing fast. We are grateful to the libraries and recreation centers for stepping up to provide childcare for health care workers, so that they can continue to do what’s needed most, while knowing that their families are in good hands.”

“It’s important during this time of crisis to provide support for our most vulnerable families,” said Supervisor Ahsha Safaí. “Opening up our public spaces to serve working families lifts a huge burden for those who don’t have many childcare options.”

All childcare centers will follow social distancing and related COVID-19 sanitation and hygiene recommendations. DCYF will provide three meals a day to all participants. Detailed information on emergency youth care locations, eligibility and registration will be forthcoming at <https://www.dcyf.org/care>.

In addition to the suspension of regular recreation programming, Recreation and Parks is also suspending all community meetings, volunteer events, and both indoor and athletic field permits (including all games, practices, clinics, tournaments and any other activities that would cause individuals to gather in close proximity), effective Saturday, March 14 through the end of March. Pools will also close.

The Sharon Art Studio, Conservatory of Flowers, and Carousel in Golden Gate Park are closed through the end of March. All San Francisco Youth Baseball League (SFYBL) games are cancelled through March 31, as well as the remainder of the Indoor Soccer League season. Summer day camp registration, originally scheduled for March 21, is postponed to a date to be

determined. The Golden Gate Park Senior Center remains closed and senior programs are suspended citywide.

All other parks, trails and open spaces remain open. Community members are encouraged to use parks, but not to congregate.

All 28 Library locations will be closed to the public starting at 6 p.m. today and remain closed until March 31. The Library's [robust digital services](#) will continue to give card holders 24/7 free access to [eBooks](#), [audiobooks](#), [magazines](#), [movies](#), [classes](#) and more.

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Commissioners,
Attached are your Calendars for March 18, 2020.

Please keep in mind that our work is considered to be an essential function of government and will therefore continue to meet. Having said that, today I was forced to cancel the Planning Commission hearing due to a lack of quorum. Given the Governor's declaration, tomorrow I will be meeting to discuss tele/video conferencing options for public hearings.

This is a dynamic situation that is changing rapidly. I will be in communication with all of you to determine how we proceed.

Stay tuned.

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*The City and County of San Francisco issued a Public Health Order affecting rules at all
listed residential facilities within city limits*

Action protects vulnerable population of residents from exposure

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco has issued a [Public Health Order](#) prohibiting non-essential visitors from entering long-term care facilities within San Francisco city limits. This measure is necessary to slow the spread of novel coronavirus in the community. It builds on the City's public health recommendations and a prior [Public Health Order](#) issued on March 7th regarding City-owned and operated long-term care facilities at Laguna Honda and Zuckerberg San Francisco General hospitals.

Because of their age or medical conditions, residents of long-term care facilities are at

elevated risk of getting seriously ill, or even dying, if they get COVID-19, the disease caused by the novel coronavirus. Since the virus is circulating in the community, visitors to those facilities may have it and have mild symptoms or be asymptomatic and, therefore, expose vulnerable residents to infection. This new Public Health Order requires 18 private long-term care facilities in the City to exclude non-essential visitors from entry or access. Laguna Honda Hospital and Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital's skilled nursing unit began restricting visitors as of March 7th.

"This Order is supported by our best scientific evidence and follows best practices for limiting the spread of the novel coronavirus," said Mayor Breed. "We're following the recommendations of public health officials to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community and are taking steps to protect those who are most vulnerable to the virus."

"We know the hardship that this temporary limit on visitors will have on seniors and on their families and loved ones," said Board President Norman Yee. "We strongly encourage using other means of communication to stay in contact, such as phone calls, video calls, e-mail. As soon as our public health experts let us know that it is safe to do so, these protocols will be adjusted appropriately. Thank you to everyone who is keeping the health and safety of our most vulnerable populations in mind."

"We know that this virus has the greatest likelihood of harming elderly people and those with underlying health conditions and chronic illnesses," said Dr. Grant Colfax, San Francisco Director of Health. "Looking at the patterns of illness in California and Washington State, we have chosen to move aggressively to protect residents of long-term care facilities in our community by restricting visitors who could unwittingly bring exposure to the virus into the building with them."

In addition to prohibiting non-essential visitors, the Order requires long-term care facilities to create a COVID-19 plan that addresses the screening of residents, staff and visitors for symptoms of COVID-19 or other illness. The Order also includes conditions for authorized visitors to reduce the risk of infection, such as hand washing, appropriate use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), maintaining at least six feet distance from other people, and limiting the duration of visits, sending sick employees home immediately and notifying DPH of any positive COVID-19 result for a resident or staff member.

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***** STATEMENT *****
**MAYOR LONDON BREED ON CITY ATTORNEY'S
INVESTIGATION OF DBI DIRECTOR**

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today issued the following statement regarding a report from the City Attorney documenting a number of legal and ethical violations committed by the Director of the Department of Building Inspection since 2011:

“The City Attorney’s report shows a number of legal and ethical violations committed by the Director of DBI since 2011 that compromise the public’s trust in City government and are completely unacceptable by any civil servant. I have already asked the Building Inspection Commission to remove the Director from his position, which they have the authority to do under our City charter. I have also placed the Director on leave effective immediately.

I want to thank the City Attorney for their ongoing investigation and for their transparency in the effort to investigate any departments impacted by the recent federal charges. No matter where this investigation leads, we will hold individuals accountable for misconduct and we will institute reforms to prevent anything like this from happening again. Restoring public trust is our priority, and we will work with the City Attorney, and DBI to ensure that new leadership implements the changes that are clearly needed in order to serve the residents,

businesses, and property owners who rely on DBI every day.”

[Memo from City Attorney Herrera to Mayor London Breed](#)

[Exhibit 1](#)

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[Letter to San Francisco Building Inspection Commission President McCarthy from Mayor London Breed](#)

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**SAN FRANCISCO ISSUES MORATORIUM ON LARGE
GATHERINGS OF 1,000 OR MORE TO SLOW SPREAD OF
COVID-19**

*The City and County of San Francisco will issue a Public Health Order prohibiting gatherings
of 1,000 or more persons*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco will issue a Public Health Order prohibiting all large group events of 1,000 or more persons. This measure is necessary to slow the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the community and builds on the City's March 6th public health recommendations.

“We know that this Order is disruptive, but it is an important step to support public health,” said Mayor Breed. “We’re following the recommendations of public health officials to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. This order mirrors actions being taken by other local governments and is informed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. We know cancelling these events is a challenge for everyone and we’ve been

talking with venues and event organizers about the need to protect public health. Today I spoke with the Warriors to discuss the steps we're taking to cancel large events and they are in support of our efforts."

"Today's action is going to help us fight the new coronavirus together. The virus needs people to spread. It jumps from person to person, so by reducing the opportunity for that to happen, we can effectively slow the spread," said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. "Our chief concern is for vulnerable populations who are most at risk of getting very sick, or dying, if they get COVID-19. That is why we are recommending that people over 60, or with certain underlying health conditions, stay home as much as possible. For the general public, reducing the opportunity for exposure to the virus is the top priority, and by cancelling events, we are improving the odds. We encourage all San Franciscans to cut back on the time you spend in groups and wash your hands consistently."

On March 6th, the Department of Public Health issued aggressive recommendations to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the community. The recommendations for social distancing are intended to disrupt the spread of the virus and protect community health. These are systemic as well as individual changes that will make a difference in people's lives. Although the recommendations cause inconvenience, they are necessary and worthwhile to reduce the spread of the virus and interrupt its transmission from person to person.

The Public Health Order will initially go into effect for two weeks and can be reauthorized by the Health Officer. The Order will be updated as the COVID-19 situation evolves in San Francisco.

On March 7th, the City issued a Public Health Order restricting non-essential group events at City-owned facilities. The order is available here:

<https://www.sfdph.org/dph/alerts/files/OrderProhibitingGatherings-City-OwnedLocations-Order-C19-02-03072020.pdf>

Read the recommendations that apply to vulnerable populations, large gatherings, workplace and businesses, schools, transit and health care settings at www.sfdph.org/dph/alerts/coronavirus.asp and stay up-to-date on coronavirus news and information.

You can also call 311 and sign up for the City's alert service for official updates: text COVID19SF to 888-777.

Remember, these are the best ways for all San Franciscans to reduce their risk of getting sick, and preventing COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your cough or sneeze.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like a wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the possible disruption caused by an outbreak:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage a school closure.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

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Friendly reminder.

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Hello, Department Heads and Filing Officers,

This e-mail is to remind you of upcoming deadlines, and provide you with key information regarding the 2020 Form 700 filing requirements.

Upcoming Deadlines

- Certificate of Delivery ... due Monday, March 16, 2020 (this lets us know that filing instructions have been distributed to your e-filers and paper filers)
- Form 700 and Sunshine/Ethics trainings (due **Wednesday, April 1, 2020**)
 - Attached is a Slide Deck from our 2020 Filing Officer Information Session ... it has information that we hope you'll find useful, as well as links to handy reference materials.

Please Note: Slides with additional narrative have a small cloud icon in the left-upper corner of the slide. Hovering over this icon will reveal the presenter's notes (see screenshot).

The screenshot shows a presentation slide titled "Filer Support and Resources" from the San Francisco Ethics Commission. A "Presenter" notes box is overlaid on the left side of the slide. The notes box contains the following text:

Presenter

Today's information session will address the following:

- Overview ... why do certain City officers have to file a SEI Form 700? How does it support transparency?
- Filing Officer Duties ... your role as liaison with the Ethics Commission, ensuring that filers receive information how and when to file, and how to maintain public records.
- Form 700 Overview ... you'll be introduced to the content of the cover page, and how to disclose reportable assets on the various Form 700 schedules.
- Additional Filing Requirements for City Officials ... you'll be introduced to the reporting requirements for Behested Payments, Recusals, and Gift reporting.
- Filer Support and Resources ... we'll go over information

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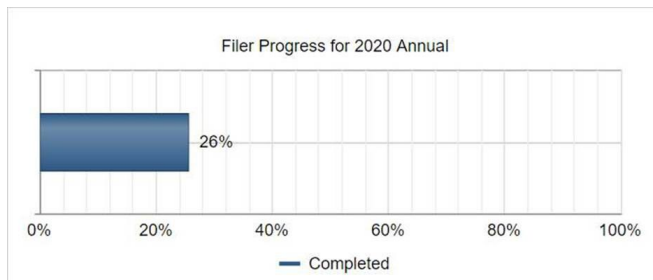
- Filing Officer Report ... due Friday, April 10, 2020 (this lets us know which Designated Filers – those who file on paper – have not yet filed)

by the April 1st deadline)

The balance of this reminder concerns the Form 700 itself.

2020 Form 700 Filing Requirements

Thank you all for moving us toward the Annual Form 700 filing deadline and the Annual Sunshine/Ethics Training deadline (due **Wednesday , April 1, 2020**)! We're currently reporting filings at 26%.



We're expecting last minute filing questions coming in, so the best way to ask questions leading up to the April 1st deadline. The best way to reach us is to send an email to our main mailbox at ethics.commission@sfgov.org. We'll respond in the order in which they're received.

Here are some general things to keep in mind:

Annual [Statements of Economic Interests \(Form 700\)](#) and the Annual Ethics and Sunshine Ordinance Declaration (applicable to Elected Officials, Commissioners, Board Members and Department Heads) are required to be filed by public officials each spring and this year the statements are due on **Wednesday, April 1, 2020**. As department heads, you are responsible for the filing officer duties with respect to the financial disclosure requirements of positions in your department. You may delegate the filing officer related tasks to a staff person as necessary. Please visit the [Filing Officer Duties](#) page on our website for more details.

2020 Annual filing requirements, deadlines, and step-by-step resources for filers and filing officers are available on our [website](#).

Form 700: What and Why

Annual Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) are required to be filed by public officials and designated employees throughout California each spring. Financial disclosure filings serve two important purposes. First, they help officers and employees monitor their financial interests to detect and avoid potential conflicts of interest. Second, they provide transparency and promote public confidence that governmental decisions are made without any regard to any personal financial gain by those involved in making those decisions. Complete and timely filings, therefore, are an essential element of open and accountable City government.

2020 Annual Filing Requirements

- Elected officials, department heads, and members of the City's boards and commissions must:
 - File their Form 700s electronically with the Ethics Commission through [Netfile](#) (due April 1, 2020)
 - Complete their Ethics and Sunshine Ordinance training online through [Netfile](#), and electronically file the Ethics and Sunshine Training Declaration Form (due April 1, 2020)
- Employees who hold positions designated in their departmental Conflict of Interest Code file their Form 700s on paper with their respective department's filing officer (due April 1, 2020).

Key Reminders

- There is no provision in the law for extending filing deadlines.
- Form 700s filed late are subject to late fees of \$10 per day, up to a maximum of \$100, for each filing required.
- **Per San Francisco Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code [Section 3.1-102.5\(c\)](#), members of City boards or commissions who have failed to file Form 700 and/or the Ethics and Sunshine Ordinance Training Declaration Form by the applicable filing deadline are disqualified from participating in or voting on matters listed on their boards' and commissions' meeting agendas until the filing requirements are met.**
- The Ethics Commission and the Fair Political Practices Commission have authority to initiate administrative enforcement action against any filer whose Form 700 filing is more than 30 days late, with potential fines of up to \$5,000 per violation. Willful failure to file may be pursued as a misdemeanor.
- Non-filers may be subject to disciplinary action by his or her appointing authority, including removal from office or termination of employment.

Best,
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**SAN FRANCISCO ANNOUNCES MEASURES TO SUPPORT
SMALL BUSINESSES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19**

Deferral of business taxes and licensing fees, launch of economic relief fund, and other support efforts aim to help struggling small businesses and workers

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced measures to support small businesses in San Francisco that are experiencing a slowdown in business as a result of COVID-19, the disease caused by novel coronavirus. She was joined by Senator Scott Wiener, Treasurer José Cisneros, City Controller Ben Rosenfield, Assessor-Recorder Carmen Chu, Board President Norman Yee, Supervisor Aaron Peskin, and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development for the announcement at a small business in Chinatown.

These efforts include deferring business taxes and licensing fees, launching a relief fund for impacted businesses, supporting nonprofits funded by the City so workers don't lose their incomes, and working with partners in the philanthropic and private sector, as well as advocating for state and federal support for workers and businesses. The City will also be launching a website that will serve as a one-stop shop for all resources, contacts, and updates for small businesses: www.oewd.org/covid19

“It’s important that people follow the public health recommendations to disrupt the spread of COVID-19 in our communities,” said Mayor Breed. “We know these recommendations are disruptive to the lives of everyone in our City, but they will help slow the spread of this disease. Unfortunately, that means that many of our small businesses are feeling the economic impact of people staying home and not shopping or going out to eat. That’s why we are working to provide relief and support for our small businesses and the workers who rely on them for their livelihood. These are just the first steps of what we are doing for our small business community.”

The measures Mayor Breed announced today are the following:

Defer Business Taxes for Small Businesses

In order to provide immediate cash-flow assistance to small businesses, Mayor Breed will be working with Treasurer Cisneros to notify small businesses that the next round of quarterly businesses taxes can be deferred. Businesses are required to pre-pay their first quarter business taxes for current tax year by April 30th. This announcement will allow businesses to not pre-pay, deferring payment due to February 2021. No interest payments, fees, or fines will accrue as a result of the deferral. This benefit will be offered to business with up to \$10 million in gross receipts, benefiting approximately 8,050 businesses with an average \$5,400 tax payment deferral each.

Defer Business Licensing Fees

The City will provide further tax relief by delaying the City’s collection of the unified license bill, which includes but is not limited to charges to restaurants and food businesses, bars, convenience stores, many small retailers, hotels, and tour operators, from departments such as the Department of Public Health, Entertainment Commission, Fire Department, and Police Department. The initial delay will be for three months, with a further delay to be contemplated based on need. This will lead to \$14 million in deferrals impacting 11,000 payees.

Provide Immediate Relief

The City will establish a fund to provide immediate relief for impacted small businesses with an initial investment of \$1 million to provide up to 100 businesses with grants of \$10,000 each in immediate relief. This fund will be administered by the Office of Economic and Workforce Development to businesses that show a loss of revenue and can be increased as need arises.

Guarantee Continuance of City-Funded Nonprofit Contracts

The Controller has issued [guidance](#) to our nonprofit partners that the City will continue to pay pursuant to contracts even if the nonprofit organization’s operations are affected. This will ensure nonprofit workers will not lose income due to illness or if a nonprofit is shut down or experiences service disruptions as part of the novel coronavirus response.

Seek State and Federal Support for Businesses and Workers

Mayor Breed will work with local partners to advocate for regulatory relief from both state and federal government around employment benefits, including unemployment, sick leave, disability, and other matters.

Secure Private Sector and Philanthropic Support for Small Businesses

The City will work with private sector financial partners and philanthropy to identify resources, provide credit and lending flexibility, and offer direct financial support to the

maximum extent feasible.

Support for Employees and Contractors

The City is requesting that all private sector employers in San Francisco be as flexible as possible with their employees and with their small business contractors. The City will lead by example by reaching out to commercial tenants to discuss any need for rent payment deferral, including tenants at the Port, the Airport, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, and others.

Create Website to Provide Information for Small Businesses

The City has created a one-stop resource for employers and employees outlining all existing resources, contacts for assistance, and to provide updates on the City's growing response to the business community. Website: www.oewd.org/covid19

“Our response to COVID-19, while essential as a matter of public health, is creating severe economic consequences for many workers—especially services workers—and businesses,” said Senator Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco). “We must support our workers and businesses as they move through this difficult time. Many workers are losing income—or being laid off entirely—and many small businesses are at risk of closure. We need to ensure people are aware of all available state safety net resources, and we need financial supports for struggling businesses. As we combat this epidemic, we must make clear that we’re in this together and that we’ll support everyone who needs it.”

“I am proud to bring the resources of the Treasurer’s Office to bear in this critical citywide effort,” said Treasurer José Cisneros. “Our track record of strong customer service and responsiveness will help deliver the Mayor’s efforts to alleviate burdens on businesses impacted by COVID-19.”

“It’s too soon to speculate about the long-term economic impacts but we won’t downplay the immediate severity of the situation,” City Controller Ben Rosenfield. “Right now, San Francisco hotels and many small businesses are bearing the brunt of the knock-on effects from limited travel and necessary social distancing recommendations, and we should expect further fallout in other sectors. In the coming week, my office will release revised projections of current year fiscal revenues impacts.”

“At times like these, we are reminded of how interconnected we are to one another,” said Assessor-Recorder Carmen Chu. “Our small businesses and all the people they employ are hurting right now. These are our neighbors, our friends. That is why it is so important for us to come together as one City to do right by our communities by bringing forward an immediate local tax relief program.”

“We are working together as a City to ensure that those of us who are hardest hit by the economic impacts of the coronavirus, are supported,” said Board President Norman Yee. “These actions are only the first ones - we are working quickly on comprehensive solutions so that no one is left behind. We will get through this.”

“Even before coronavirus, the City has been working to help small businesses, which we all know have faced tremendous challenges,” said Supervisor Aaron Peskin. “Extraordinary times call for extraordinary measures, and we have to protect the public health and the backbone of our economy. Every elected official is coming together to support the first steps toward

ensuring small businesses, their employees and families remain as stable as possible in this challenging time.”

“During this time of uncertainty, our small businesses are especially vulnerable and require immediate support to mitigate economic impacts,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “Our actions today represent our first steps to quickly address cash flow challenges as our small business community plans for the future. Our office and our partners are here to provide relief and guidance on how we as a city may support both employees and employers during this difficult time.”

“We deeply appreciate Mayor London Breed for taking fast, decisive action to protect our economy, small businesses, and working-class people during this critical time,” said Rodney Fong, President and CEO of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. “The directives she is putting in place today will bring immediate cash flow relief to small businesses, keeping them afloat and allowing them to provide their employees adequate hours. We are working day and night with our partners in government and the community to collectively support our small businesses and workers.”

“This is a difficult time for everyone. I am glad to see the Mayor and City are taking swift actions to address the challenges Chinatown small businesses are facing because of the impacts by the novel coronavirus,” said Kitman Chan, First Vice President, Chinese Chamber of Commerce. “We want everyone to know that Chinatown is open for business and we are ready show the world what we have to offer.”

Earlier today, the Health Officer for the City and County of San Francisco issued a Public Health Order prohibiting all non-essential large events of 1,000 or more persons. This Order builds on the City’s public health recommendations that encourage social distancing and other behaviors to slow the spread of novel coronavirus.

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**SAN FRANCISCO INCREASES SUPPORT FOR CITY
EMPLOYEES IMPACTED BY COVID-19**

City takes measures to ensure employees have adequate paid time off if needed as a result of COVID-19, and encourages private companies to implement similar policies

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced a new policy that will allow City employees who are impacted by COVID-19 to get early access to their vacation time and paid sick leave. San Francisco is leading by example by allowing workers an advance of their paid time off in the event that they cannot work due to COVID-19 and related public health recommendations. The City is encouraging private companies to be similarly flexible with their paid time off policies.

“The City is leading by example to slow the spread of COVID-19, and that includes allowing people to take time off if they are sick or need to take care of someone else,” said Mayor Breed. “Public health is our top priority, and we want people to be able to follow our public health recommendations without fear of not having enough vacation days or sick leave and missing a paycheck. While we can only make this change for City employees, we strongly encourage other companies in San Francisco to enact similar policies. We are all in this

together and we want all employees to take care of themselves and their families, which means staying home if they are sick and following the advice of their doctor to self-isolate when necessary.”

“In this moment of public health crisis and great uncertainty for our city, I am appreciative of the Mayor’s leadership in thinking through flexible policies for city employees regarding sick leave and vacation time,” said Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer. “Slowing the spread of COVID-19 to protect our most vulnerable residents must be our number one priority.”

“The City and County of San Francisco is working around the clock to implement every preventative measure possible to slow the spread of the coronavirus,” said Micki Callahan, Human Resources Director. “This new policy allows our employees to care for themselves and their families without fear of losing their income during this emergency. When employees who may have been exposed to the Coronavirus, lack paid sick leave, it presents a great risk to our ability to protect the health of the public.”

On February 25th, Mayor Breed issued a Declaration of a Local Emergency, which allows the Mayor to order measures related to COVID-19. Yesterday, Mayor Breed issued a supplemental declaration outlining several measures to support small businesses and nonprofit organizations, and a measure to support City employees who need to take time off of work due to COVID-19.

If a City employee has exhausted all of their existing leave, including vacation days, floating holidays, and paid sick leave, and meets the criteria below, they can request an advance of sick leave or vacation up to 80 hours.

Eligible City employees:

- Members of vulnerable populations as defined in the Department of Public Health guidelines;
- People in self-isolation or quarantine on the advice of a medical provider or public official;
- People who are suffering from an acute respiratory illness or flu-like symptoms;
- People who need to care for a family member who meet the above criteria; and
- People who are otherwise directly impacted by the COVID-19 virus or actions taken in response to public health guidance.

The Department of Public Health has issued specific recommendations for workplaces and businesses, and all City departments are following those recommendations:

- Suspend nonessential employee travel;
- Minimize the number of employees working within arm’s length of one another, including minimizing or canceling large in-person meetings and conferences;
- Urge employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits;
- Do not require a doctor’s note for employees who are sick;
- Consider use of telecommuting options;
- Some people need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community. They can take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED CELEBRATES MILESTONE OF
TOWNSEND STREET CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

*Completed protected bicycle lanes and improved sidewalks delivers major safety
improvements on Townsend Street between 4th Street and 7th Street*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today celebrated a significant milestone of the Townsend Street Improvement Project, which makes the area safer for everyone with new bus loading islands, protected bicycle lanes, and improved sidewalks and crosswalks. She was joined by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), San Francisco Public Works, and pedestrian and bicycle safety advocates.

Today's event marked the completion of the most intensive part of the project on Townsend Street between 4th and 5th Streets. This stretch of Townsend Street serves nearly every mode of transportation, including Muni, bikes, scooters, taxis, intercity buses, and private vehicles.

“These improvements along Townsend Street make it safer and less chaotic for everyone, but especially if you are coming by bike—whether you are trying catch Caltrain or are going to an

office or an appointment,” said Mayor Breed. “We need to ensure bicycling is an attractive, safe, and accessible choice for residents and visitors alike. We’ve made rapid progress adding more protected bike lanes and this project is an example of where we are truly starting to build a protected bicycle network, connecting the South of Market neighborhood to the rest of the City.”

In October 2018, Mayor Breed directed the SFMTA to expedite safety improvements on Townsend Street as part of the Quick Build program. As a result, the SFMTA and Public Works completed construction of protected bike lane and sidewalk improvements on Townsend between 4th and 7th Streets ahead of schedule.

The new protected bike lanes help connect the Townsend Street corridor to new protected bicycle lanes on 5th Street, 7th Street and Market Street, which recently became car-free to private vehicles. The new bus-loading island is nearly a block long, which will make pick up and drop off from buses, taxis, and other vehicles safer and more orderly, and provide a better experience for pedestrians.

“Townsend Street has one of the richest mixes of travel modes of any street in San Francisco,” said Jeffrey Tumlin, SFMTA Director of Transportation. “What we’re celebrating today is a safe and efficient design where all modes of travel have their own intuitive spaces.”

“The transformation of Townsend Street required smart design, community support and the well-executed delivery of a complex construction project,” said Acting Public Works Director Alaric Degrafinried. “From the new protected bike lane and sidewalks, to the bus-loading island and ADA-compliant curb ramps, we now have a safer and more welcoming corridor for the thousands of people who travel it every day.”

“What we’ve learned is that when we set the bar high for City planners, we know they can rise the challenge and deliver,” said Claire Amable, San Francisco Bicycle Coalition. “We’re thrilled to have this smart design in place that will make Townsend a safer and more inviting place for people to biking, walking and taking transit.”

“Today, Townsend is making an important step toward greater safety for thousands and thousands of people daily,” said Jodie Medeiros, Executive Director, Walk SF. “And we can’t stop here for improving unsafe streets. We need to be approaching 100% of the known dangerous streets with speed and efficiency like this Townsend Street project.”

In May 2019, Mayor Breed announced a goal to build 20 miles of protected bike lanes in the following two years. Adding 20 miles of new bike lanes will double the pace of current protected bike lane production in the City. Since that announcement, SFMTA has delivered nearly eight miles of new protected bike lanes.

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Hi Jonas,

Please see below a comment letter in response to the proposed COA for the Spreckels Temple of Music (2019-022126COA-03).

Thank you,

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Dear Ms. Taylor:

Here is my comment, as per our phone call.

Please send me any plans for the Bandshell.

Thank you for your time.

Harry S. Pariser

Dear Commissioners:

I was shocked to only learn of the awful plans to turn the Bandshell into a 'temporary' theme park (at the cost of retaining what little nighttime ambience remains at the Concourse) in the pages of the Richmond Review.

I was aghast to see that the Bandshell is now blocked off for use, although this project has yet to be approved.

It is horrible to see what Parks Alliance has done to the Conservatory of Flowers — again, this was done without any public discussion — and it is truly pathetic to see this virus spreading to the Bandshell.

There is no need for this project whatsoever.

I strongly encourage you to reject it.

And we need to require RPD to hold public meetings before each and any of their gentrification projects are announced.

It is simply wrong that Parks Alliance, Illuminate, the San Francisco Botanical Garden Society, etc. are setting government policies in an authoritarian fashion.

It is bad enough that Mayor Breed promulgated that ferris wheel — who does that benefit and who can pay \$18 per ride? — without this pointless additon, which is a net subtraction from the area.

Sincerely,

Harry S. Pariser

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***** PRESS RELEASE *****

**CITY TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY HOUSING FOR PEOPLE
NEEDING TO QUARANTINE DUE TO POSSIBLE
CORONAVIRUS EXPOSURE**

Temporary housing, including RVs, will provide quarantine locations for individuals who have been exposed to COVID-19 and cannot self-isolate.

San Francisco, CA — As the City continues to strengthen its response to reduce the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), San Francisco is working to provide quarantine locations for individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 and do not need to be hospitalized, as well as individuals who have been exposed to the virus and do not have access to adequate shelter due to homelessness or shared living arrangements. Shared-living situations include SROs, shelters, and Permanent Supportive Housing.

“Our top priority is public health and slowing the spread of COVID-19 in our community,” said Mayor Breed. “Not everyone in our city has access to housing where they can go if they are infected or are exposed to the virus, and it’s important that we take measures like this to care for our most vulnerable residents, including people who are homeless.”

Temporary isolation housing will include recreational vehicles (RVs), which have been leased and will be staged in the Presidio. The RVs will be placed in various secure locations throughout the city as needed. The City is also in the process of identifying additional locations for auxiliary quarantine housing, including unoccupied residential property. As the City continues to work to secure additional locations, City leaders are asking local hotels to join in identifying vacant hotel rooms for this purpose so that San Francisco can be better prepared to care for all of its residents.

“We are working on many fronts to disrupt the spread of COVID-19 throughout San Francisco, from cancelling large gatherings and encouraging tele-commuting, to instructing vulnerable populations to limit their outings,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, San Francisco Director of Health. “By providing quarantine support for people who are experiencing homelessness or who live in SROs or other congregate settings, we can help ensure that those who are exposed to the virus are able to self-isolate.”

The City’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has expanded its operations to prepare for and mitigate the effects of COVID-19. The EOC manages the procurement of supplies and equipment needed to effectively manage the COVID-19 emergency in San Francisco, including securing auxiliary quarantine facilities. The City’s public health system manages the intake and evaluation of COVID-19 exposure and makes recommendations to the EOC regarding who is a candidate for a temporary quarantine housing. The EOC will then coordinate transportation and supplies for the individual to safely and comfortably quarantine.

“Reducing the spread of COVID-19 within our community means mitigating exposure to the virus,” said Mary Ellen Carroll, San Francisco Department of Emergency Management, Executive Director. “Being able to self-isolate or quarantine for at least 14 days is not a viable option for everyone. Many of us live in shared living spaces making the coronavirus spread much more likely. We need to help these individuals by giving them temporary isolated housing while aggressively reducing the spread of the virus in San Francisco.”

On Monday, March 9th, Mayor Breed and the Department of Public Health announced new investments and a Public Health Order to protect vulnerable populations who are at risk of becoming ill or dying if they contract COVID-19. This emergency fund and Order will focus on reducing risk of exposure to the virus for the many seniors, homeless individuals, and people with underlying health conditions living in shelters, single-room occupancy hotels, and Permanent Supportive Housing.

Background on San Francisco’s COVID-19 Response

On Tuesday, February 25th, Mayor Breed declared a local emergency in order to better-prepare for confirmed cases of novel coronavirus in San Francisco. The emergency declaration allows the City to mobilize resources, accelerate emergency planning, streamline staffing, coordinate agencies across the city, allow for future reimbursement by the state and federal governments and raise awareness throughout San Francisco about how to prepare for and respond to the novel coronavirus. The City is in regular contact with all hospitals and health facilities in San Francisco, and our health system is prepared to deliver care to everyone in need and provide a coordinated response as additional cases of the novel coronavirus are confirmed.

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- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
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***** PRESS RELEASE *****

**SAN FRANCISCO INCREASES COVID-19 PROTECTIONS
FOR HOMELESS RESIDENTS AND PEOPLE LIVING IN
SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY HOTELS**

A \$5 million emergency fund and new Public Health Order will support people living in shelters, single-room occupancy hotels, and permanent supportive housing.

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed, Supervisor Aaron Peskin, and the Department of Public Health today announced \$5 million in new investments, as well as a Public Health Order to protect vulnerable populations who are at risk of becoming ill or dying if they contract COVID-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus. This emergency fund and Order will focus on reducing risk of exposure to the virus for the many marginally housed seniors, people with underlying health conditions, and individuals experiencing homelessness, living in shelters, single-room occupancy hotels (SROs), and Permanent Supportive Housing.

These initiatives include expanded cleaning in shelters, resource centers, and SROs; increased meal offerings and expanded shelter hours for the few shelters that are not already 24/7 to encourage homeless individuals to remain in shelters; enhanced meal delivery programs for

individuals in SROs who have been previously advised to limit their outings in the community; and funding to support cleaning in privately owned single-room occupancy hotels. This funding will be released in conjunction with a Public Health Order issued by the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco to establish required cleaning and contagion mitigation protocols in SROs and other congregate settings.

These newly established protocols will be enforced by the City to ensure that our most vulnerable populations are protected. As this situation is dynamic and guidance from public health officials may evolve, the City is working with providers of services to homeless individuals and other owners of SROs to continually evaluate their needs based on public health guidance.

“We know that many of our most vulnerable residents—those who could get very sick or die if they contract COVID-19—are living in congregate and semi-congregate settings like shelters and single-room occupancy hotels,” said Mayor Breed. “We have to do more to keep these places clean and work to keep people healthy as this disease spreads within our community. This emergency fund and this Public Health Order are part of our work to respond aggressively to the challenges presented by COVID-19 each and every day. Everyone should continue to follow the best health practices, and we will continue to do the work to deliver more protections for those in need.”

“Our chief concern is for vulnerable populations who are most at risk of getting very sick, or dying, if they get COVID-19,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “That is why we are recommending that people over 60, or with certain underlying health conditions, stay home as much as possible. For vulnerable people in SROs or shelters, this investment will help them limit their outings, by assuring that food and shelter is available, and that congregate settings are clean environments.”

“The northeast quarter of San Francisco has the highest concentration of people who are vulnerable to this epidemic,” said Supervisor Aaron Peskin. “These are the City’s next steps, informed by meaningful community input and a close collaboration between the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors that will help ensure the public’s health is protected.”

“Delivering meals to elderly seniors living alone in residential hotels addresses an urgent and basic need,” said Rev. Norman Fong of Chinatown Community Development Center. “Seniors are being urged to stay at home to avoid a potentially life-threatening virus yet they lack their own kitchens to cook for themselves. This is an essential and compassionate proposal.”

Public Health Order

The Department of Public Health will issue a Public Health Order to require privately operated SROs meet minimum environmental cleaning standards. This includes cleaning of high-touch surfaces and bathrooms appliances with soap and water followed by CDC-approved household cleaners, availability of hand washing supplies and hand sanitizers, appropriate use of personal protective supplies, posting of signs in multiple languages, enhanced disinfection when areas are affected by COVID-19 patients, and assurance of occupational and safety health standards and training.

The Order will also set requirements to protect the safety of the workers who are conducting the cleaning efforts in SROs, and require that these workers have the training and resources to best protect themselves. The requirements set in this Order will also be issued as a Public

Health Directive to all City-funded and City-operated SROs, shelters, and Navigation Centers.

Vulnerable Populations Support Fund

Expanded Cleaning in Shelters, Resource Centers, and Permanent Supportive Housing

The City will fund roving cleaning crews to provide rigorous cleaning in congregate settings. Additional janitors will move amongst the City's shelters, resource centers, and Permanent Supportive Housing that contract with the City. These cleaning crews will ensure that City-owned and City-contracted housing and shelter meets the requirements in the Public Health Order.

Support for cleaning in privately owned single room occupancy hotels

In order to meet the required cleaning and contagion mitigation protocols in the Public Health Order, the City will provide financial support for building owners of privately owned single-room occupancy hotels. The City will also organize an interdepartmental team through its Emergency Operations Center to develop an implementation and inspection program, triaging buildings based on public health.

Support for People Living in Shelters

Based on current recommendations from the Department of Public Health, the City is taking active steps to encourage people living in shelters to stay indoors. These steps include expanding meal service and expanding hours where possible and in collaboration with shelter providers and where shelters are not already operating 24/7. As these recommendations from the Department of Public Health may evolve, the City is also preparing alternative approaches.

Increased Meal Deliveries for People in SROs

To help vulnerable populations limit their outings, the City will be increasing in-home meal deliveries for people living in both City-funded and privately owned SROs.

Increased Education and Handwashing for People living Unsheltered

City and non-profit homeless outreach teams have been providing information about the virus to people living unsheltered. Outreach teams are providing recommendations for staying healthy and are offering hand sanitizer, in addition to conducting standard outreach for access services and shelter. The City has also deployed an initial set of handwashing stations to augment those already operated through Pit Stops and intends to deploy further hand washing stations in the coming days. The Department of Public Health and outreach teams will provide information on the location of handwashing stations for use by all San Franciscans to those living unsheltered and the general public.

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**SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
ANNOUNCES AGGRESSIVE RECOMMENDATIONS TO
REDUCE THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

With two confirmed cases that indicate community spread, the time is now to take action to protect vulnerable populations and the public at large.

Recommendations for social distancing will disrupt the virus's path from person to person.

MEDIA AVAILABILITY: Dr. Grant Colfax will be available at 5:00 p.m. at the Department of Public Health, 101 Grove Street, Room 220

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed, the San Francisco Department of Public Health and the Department of Emergency Management today announced aggressive new recommendations for San Francisco to reduce the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in the community. Dr. Grant Colfax will be available to speak with press at 5:00 p.m. at the Department of Public Health, 101 Grove Street, Room 220.

The City is taking swift action upon the confirmation yesterday of two COVID-19 cases among San Francisco residents that indicated community spread of the virus. Today's recommendations for social distancing are intended to disrupt the spread of the virus and protect community health. These are systemic as well as individual changes that will make a difference in people's lives. Although the recommendations will cause inconvenience, they are necessary and worthwhile to reduce the spread of the virus and interrupt its transmission from person to person.

"We have been preparing for this," said Mayor Breed. "These recommendations are informed by the best public health information available and guided by experts in our own health department. They mirror the actions being taken in many other municipalities and are informed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. These are important steps to protect our public health and are concrete things all of us can do to keep our community safe."

"Keeping the public safe and healthy is our most important responsibility," said Board of Supervisors President Norman Yee. "We must continue protect our seniors and other members of our vulnerable communities who are most at risk of being seriously harmed by this disease. Each of us must do our part to support and follow these recommendations so we can help mitigate the spread of COVID-19."

"As a public official who has been through a number of public health emergencies in the past, I am fully supportive of the Mayor and public health officials in taking the necessary precautions to reduce transmissions of COVID-19," said Supervisor Aaron Peskin. "While many may be concerned about the immediate impacts this may have on our local economy and our daily lives, taking these bold precautions now will pay off in the long term."

City agencies including the Municipal Transportation Agency, Department of Human Resources, Office of Economic and Workforce Development, Human Services Agency and our partners at the San Francisco Unified School District are planning to start implementing these recommendations immediately.

We expect these measures to be in place for an **initial period of two weeks**, and we will continuously assess their impact to determine if they need to be adjusted. As the City prioritizes public health, we also acknowledge this will have economic and workforce impacts, particularly for smaller businesses, and the City will continue to work with state and federal partners to identify solutions to address those impacts.

Mayor Breed declared a local emergency on February 25th to boost San Francisco's preparedness efforts. Steps taken since then include expanding the Emergency Operations Center and activating dozens of city Disaster Service Workers, increasing community outreach and public information, expanding outreach to vulnerable populations and the organizations that care for them, and starting testing for COVID-19 at the San Francisco Department of Public Health lab. It was that lab that confirmed the first two positive cases with a one-day turnaround time, a vast improvement from the reporting time from the CDC lab. This allowed us to take action more rapidly to protect public health.

Today's recommendations for social distancing have a goal of reducing the occasions when large numbers of people come together and potentially are exposed to the virus that is circulating in our community. The recommendations protect the health of vulnerable

populations, and ensure that essential public services, such as schools and transportation, are taking steps to protect the public.

“The virus needs people to spread. It jumps from person to person, so by reducing the opportunity for that to happen, we can effectively slow the spread,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “Our chief concern is for vulnerable populations who are most at risk of getting very sick, or dying, if they get COVID-19. That is why we are recommending that people over 60, or with certain underlying health conditions, stay home as much as possible. For the general public, reducing the opportunity for exposure to the virus is the top priority. That means cutting back on the time you spend in groups and washing your hands consistently. Together, San Franciscans can unite in this effort and decrease the impact COVID-19 has on our community.”

“Protecting the health and safety of San Franciscans is our most important responsibility, and cancelling large gatherings will reduce the spread of COVID-19 and protect the most vulnerable in our community. Seniors and people with chronic illness and underlying medical conditions are protected when normally healthy people are not contributing to the spread of the virus,” said Mary Ellen Carroll, Executive Director, San Francisco Department of Emergency Management.

Today’s recommendations will cause changes in behavior for systems and individuals. They are meant to disrupt normal social behavior, because the virus thrives under normal circumstances. Functions that are essential to an individual or their family, such as getting food, traveling to work, or providing for a sick family member, can be continued. This is an evolving situation and these recommendations are expected to change.

PUBLIC HEALTH RECOMMENDATIONS AS OF MARCH 6

1. Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don’t go to gatherings (of about 50 people or more) unless it is essential. If you can telecommute, you should. Avoid people who are sick.

2. Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Minimize the number of employees working within arm’s length of one another, including minimizing or canceling large in-person meetings and conferences.
- Urge employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor’s note for employees who are sick.
- Consider use of telecommuting options.
- Some people need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community. They can take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3. Large Gatherings: Cancel Non-essential Events

- Recommend cancelling or postponing large gatherings, such as concerts, sporting events, conventions or large community events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren’t cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues

available.

- Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
- Finding ways to create physical space to minimize close contact as much as possible.

4. Schools: Safety First

- If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 at a school, DPH will work with the school and the district to determine the best measures including potential school closure.
- Do not go to school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult your doctor about school attendance.
- Equip all schools and classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling medium to large events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for potential closures.

5. Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.

6. Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long term care facilities must have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with DPH guidelines.
- Long term care facilities must screen all staff and visitors for illness and turn away those with symptoms.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.

7. Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all San Franciscans to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your cough or sneeze.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the possible disruption caused by an outbreak.

Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.

- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a care giver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage a school closure.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

Keep up to date at www.sfdph.org, by calling 311, and by signing up for the City's new alert service for official updates: text COVID19SF to 888-777.

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Subject: FW: Case No. 2019-022126COA-03

Hi Jonas,

Please see below a letter from a member of the public for Case No. 2019-022126COA-03 (HPC Hearing 3/18).

Thank you,

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Subject: Case No. 2019-022126COA-03

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Dear Michelle Taylor,

It was brought to my attention yesterday at my tai chi class that there are plans to create an installation of illuminated text to celebrate the 150th anniversary at Spreckels Temple of Music in Golden Gate Park.

I would like to add my comments to the list of concerns to be brought up at the hearing meeting on March 18th at City Hall.

1. I have been doing tai chi three times a week near the Temple of Music for the past 30 years and I go to avoid seeing and hearing the constant din and daily barrage of electronics and advertisements that are so prevalent in our city. The thought of having an illuminated light display with a visual advertisement trying to get my attention sounds dreadful. Constant advertisements particularly with lights (and with many colors), displaying words and advertisements means little or nothing for anyone simply wanting to take a stroll in this beautiful park. We are a very congested city, we need more parks and natural space away from the electronic world.

2. I am concerned that this sign, being up for the long period of two years, will become a permanent fixture in this beautiful, natural area. I will continue to come to the park to do tai chi every week and the thought of seeing an illuminated sign with text every day breaks my heart. If this does go through, I would like reassured that the potential for this installation to become a permanent fixture is absolutely impossible!!

3. Please consider a fabric banner or something that won't take up ANY energy or resources. If the committee would consider a non-electric, non-energy wasting alternative I would be very interested.

Thank you for considering my comments.

All the best,

Kate Stenberg

2019-022126COA-03: 55 Hagiwara Tea Garden Drive – located between John F. Kennedy Drive, Hagiwara Tea Garden Drive, Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, and Music Concourse Drive, Lot 001 in Assessor's Block 1700 (District 1) - Request for a **Certificate of Appropriateness** for the temporary installation of illuminated text at the Spreckels Temple of Music as part of the 150th Anniversary celebration of Golden Gate Park. Installation of the letters will begin March of 2020, with a scheduled opening date of April 4, 2020. The temporary installation will be removed after two years. The subject property is Landmark No. 249, Music Concourse, Golden Gate Park and located within a P (Public) Zoning District and an OS Height and Bulk District. For further information, call Michelle Taylor at (415) 575-9197 or email at michelle.taylor@sfgov.org and ask about Case No. 2019-022126COA-03.

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Hello,

Please forward the attached Categorical Exemptions to the HPC Commissioners.

Thank You,

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Thursday, March 5, 2020

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

***** PRESS RELEASE *****

**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES JEFF KOSITSKY TO
SERVE AS HEALTHY STREET OPERATIONS CENTER
MANAGER**

*Kositsky will be tasked with focusing on neighborhoods highly impacted by homelessness,
large tent encampments, and high needs individuals*

*Abigail Stewart-Kahn, who currently serves as Director of Strategy and External Affairs at the
Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, to serve as Interim Director of HSH*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that Jeff Kositsky, who previously served as the Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH), will become Manager of the Healthy Streets Operations Center (HSOC). In this new role, Kositsky will be tasked with running the City's multi-departmental effort to address to large tent encampments and help high-needs individuals into shelter and treatment, while targeting neighborhoods that are highly impacted by issues relating to homelessness.

Kositsky has served as the Director of HSH since its founding in 2016. Abigail Stewart-Kahn, who currently serves as Director of Strategy and External Affairs at HSH, will now serve as

Interim Director of the department.

“Addressing the unhealthy conditions on many of our streets remains our top priority, and I am excited that Jeff Kositsky has agreed to step up to address this challenge. I know that his experience in creating the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing and his work with HSOC since its inception in 2018 makes him the right person to serve in this critically important role,” said Mayor Breed. “We will continue to create more Navigation Centers and supportive housing, while targeting our outreach efforts so that we can help people off the streets and into shelter and treatment.”

“I decided to take on this challenge because the conditions on our street require a renewed focus on collaboration and operations between our City departments,” said Kositsky. “I am extremely proud of the work that HSH and its partners have done to end homelessness for thousands of households and expand San Francisco’s network of shelter beds and housing exits. In my new role, I am eager to build on the successes that HSOC has had by focusing our most impacted clients and neighborhoods.”

HSOC is the City’s multi-departmental response to unhealthy street condition that began in 2018. The primary goals of HSOC relate to connecting individuals in need to the City’s system of care, including shelter, housing, treatment programs, healthcare services, and other social supports. All departments engaged in HSOC activities lead with services first. HSOC coordinates proactive responses to encampments and other hot spot areas, with the understanding that planned and collaborative outreach and engagement is more likely to successfully resolve issues.

Since it was created in 2016, HSH and its partners have ended homelessness for nearly 7,000 households, prevented homelessness for approximately 5,000 households, created systems to improve outcomes for people experiencing homelessness, and expanded proven programs – including the addition of over 2,500 new housing exits and nearly 1,000 shelter beds. While the conditions on our streets are dire, it is important to remember that every night the City provides housing, shelter and services to nearly 13,000 homeless and formerly homeless people and we have plans to do even more.

“I want to thank Jeff for his leadership at HSH and the foundation he has created for us to address homelessness in San Francisco,” said Stewart-Kahn. “We have the right strategy and I know that the HSH team and our City and non-profit partners will continue and expand the work that we’ve done to support even more people to exit homelessness in the coming years.”

“Jeff has been a tireless leader and champion for the most vulnerable people in our community,” says Beth Stokes, Executive Director of Episcopal Community Services. “There is no simple solution to the complex problem of homelessness, but everyday Jeff has led with warmth and in a true collaborative spirit to ensure that city agencies, non-profit organizations and the public at large were working together on the most challenging issue of our time. I am confident he will continue to be a meaningful resource not only for Episcopal Community Services, but for the City and County of San Francisco as we continue this truly important mission.”

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Friday, March 6, 2020

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***** PRESS RELEASE *****

**MAYOR LONDON BREED, MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI,
MAYOR LIBBY SCHAAF, AND MAYOR SAM LICCARDO
URGE LEGISLATURE TO COMMIT TO ONGOING FUNDING
TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN CALIFORNIA**

Mayors of San Francisco, Los Angeles, Oakland and San José urge the state legislature to create an ongoing funding source to support local jurisdictions in their efforts to address the homelessness crisis

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf, and San José Mayor Sam Liccardo today called upon the State Legislature to provide ongoing funding to communities and local jurisdictions across California to address homelessness. Since taking office in July 2018, Mayor Breed has championed the creation of an ongoing state funding source to address the homelessness crisis in San Francisco.

“I am grateful to our state partners for their leadership in dedicating new state resources over the past two budget cycles. Cities and counties cannot address this challenge alone,” said Mayor Breed. “Ongoing funding is necessary to make a meaningful impact in the lives of people suffering on our streets, and every California community needs the resources and authority to direct those investments toward local solutions. I am glad that the Governor agrees that lasting solutions will require lasting investments, and I’m hopeful the state legislature will allocate \$2 billion for a continuous appropriation to address homelessness across the state.”

“In Los Angeles, we are mobilizing every resource to confront the homelessness and housing crisis and have built a coalition that is successfully getting folks off the streets and into housing,” said Mayor Eric Garcetti. “Cities and counties can’t do this alone, and I’m proud to join local leaders from across state — as well as our partners in the legislature and Governor Newsom — in calling for California to finally make a permanent investment in homelessness solutions.”

“Ending homelessness in Oakland, and every other city in California, is our shared priority,” said Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf. “\$2 billion in funding will create the kind of sustained and significant resources we need to address the immediate crisis right now, as well as change larger systems that can lead to ending homelessness once and for all.”

“We must treat homelessness like the crisis it is,” said San José Mayor Sam Liccardo. “That’s why I support significant ongoing resources—together in partnership with the State, we can adequately work to end homelessness. The predictable funding will bring desperately needed rapid housing solutions to our homeless residents.”

For the last two years, California has made its largest one-time investments in addressing homelessness. Two state programs, the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) and the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) have allocated \$1.15 billion in flexible funds to local jurisdictions to address the crisis in their communities. These investments are already delivering housing and services to communities across California, including in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Governor Newsom’s budget proposal for Fiscal Year 2020-21 includes a third round of one-time funds.

In San Francisco, these funds will create over 750 new shelter beds, including the newly opened 200-bed Embarcadero SAFE Navigation Center. HEAP funds are also being used to launch the Rising Up Campaign, a public-private partnership to reducing youth homelessness by 50% by 2023. \$9 million in HEAP funding is providing rapid rehousing subsidies for youth in Rising Up. This investment is helping the City leverage an additional \$26 million in philanthropic support to house 500 homeless Transitional Age Youth (TAY) and prevent an additional 450 TAY from entering homelessness.

However, without a state commitment to ongoing funding, local jurisdictions will struggle to keep these projects open and invest in the long-term, evidence-based solutions that are necessary to end homelessness. For example, additional units of Permanent Supportive Housing are a key part of the City’s efforts to help people out of homelessness and into housing, and require a stable, predictable source of funding.

Additionally, Mayors Breed, Garcetti, Schaaf, and Liccardo called for any state funding for homelessness to be distributed in a way that supports their strategic efforts and the critical

work they are doing to make progress on their citywide goals.

According to the 2019 Annual Homelessness Assessment Report from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, there are over 151,000 Californians experiencing homelessness on any given night. Homelessness in California has increased by over 16% between 2018 and 2019.

Beyond the numbers, this crisis impacts every aspect of our community; from the over 8,000 San Franciscans who do not have a place to go home to; to the working family one emergency away from homelessness; to residents who witness human suffering on our streets and wish they could do more; to the businesses impacted by encampments. The mayors are committed to working with their state partners to address homelessness and do better for everyone in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Oakland, San José, and throughout California.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Thursday, March 5, 2020

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***** PRESS RELEASE *****
**SAN FRANCISCO ANNOUNCES CASES OF
NOVEL CORONAVIRUS IN SAN FRANCISCO**

*Two San Francisco residents are presumed positive for COVID-19 and both are hospitalized
in San Francisco*

San Francisco, CA — The City and County of San Francisco today announced presumptive positive cases of COVID-19 in two San Francisco residents. San Francisco officials also provided updates about the status of the Grand Princess cruise ship.

The San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) lab conducted COVID-19 tests for the two patients, and found positive results. The two patients are unrelated and both are being cared for at separate hospitals. The patients do not have a history of travel to a location with confirmed COVID-19 cases, and have no known contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 case. These cases are likely indicative of community transmission of COVID-19.

“We want everyone to remain calm and continue taking precautions to keep themselves and their families healthy,” said Mayor Breed. “We have been increasing resources and staffing to prepare for the community spread of this virus, and we will do everything we can to protect

public health. The City is in regular contact with all hospitals and health facilities in San Francisco, and our health system is prepared to deliver care to everyone in need and provide a coordinated response as additional cases of the novel coronavirus are confirmed.”

One patient is in fair condition and one is in serious condition, and both are being treated in isolation at two different San Francisco hospitals. All appropriate precautions for the patient, visitors, and hospital staff are being taken. DPH informed the patients’ families this morning, and is investigating the patients’ history and contacts to protect the health of individuals and help slow the spread of the virus in the community.

Patient #1 is a man in his 90s, and he is hospitalized in serious condition. The patient has underlying health conditions. He was tested by the DPH lab on March 4th.

Patient #2 is a woman in her 40s, and she is hospitalized in fair condition. She was tested by the DPH lab on March 4th.

To protect patient privacy, San Francisco will not be releasing further patient information or identifying the hospitals where the patients are being treated.

“Confirming cases of COVID-19 in San Francisco residents unfortunately does not come as a surprise,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “Given the patterns of the virus in the Bay Area, California and the country, San Francisco has been preparing for the appearance of COVID-19 in the community for many weeks. Last week, the City declared a local emergency to boost our preparedness in anticipation of confirmed cases and community spread of the virus.

The people who are sick are getting care by health care professionals. We do not know at this point how they were exposed to the virus, which suggests it is spreading in the community. We expected that to happen and are further investigating the circumstances of these patients’ exposure.”

On Tuesday, February 25th, Mayor Breed declared a local emergency in order to better-prepare for confirmed cases of novel coronavirus in San Francisco. The emergency declaration allows the City to mobilize resources, accelerate emergency planning, streamline staffing, coordinate agencies across the city, allow for future reimbursement by the state and federal governments and raise awareness throughout San Francisco about how to prepare for and respond to the novel coronavirus.

The San Francisco Department of Public Health began testing for cases of novel coronavirus on Monday, March 2nd, and continues conducting tests locally in cases that meet the CDC criteria.

“We have been preparing for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in San Francisco for many weeks and we are ready to support our health care providers and those who may have been exposed,” said Mary Ellen Carroll, Executive Director, Department of Emergency Management. “It is understandable to worry what community spread of the virus means to San Francisco, but we can rest assured that together that we can minimize the impact COVID-19 may have on us. Continuing healthy habits like washing hands, staying home if sick and helping loved ones to avoid getting sick will make a huge difference in the fight against COVID-19 infection in San Francisco.”

Princess Cruise Ship

The CDC, the California State Health Department, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the US Coast Guard are working to determine if COVID-19 is present on the ship. Testing protocols are being put in place on the ship for those passengers and crew that have shown flu-like symptoms or may have been exposed to the virus, and that process is expected to begin today.

Once that has happened, the CDC and the state will determine the most appropriate location for the ship to berth to provide for the safety of the surrounding community as well as the passengers and crew. The CDC and the state are fully engaged in determining a location that can most appropriately address the health of those passengers that may have COVID-19 and the safety of those passengers not impacted, as well as the surrounding community.

Recommendations for COVID-19 Preparedness

The best way for all San Franciscans to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Cover your cough or sneeze;
- Stay home if you are sick;
- Get your flu shot to protect against flu or symptoms similar to COVID-19;
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave; and
- If you have recently returned from a country with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials.

There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick. You can also prepare for the possible disruption caused by an outbreak:

- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family;
- Make a child care plan if you or a care giver are sick;
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage a school closure; and
- Make a plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.

The status of COVID-19 in San Francisco and the region is rapidly evolving. Please check the following online resources or call 3-1-1 for guidance regarding COVID-19 public health safety information:

- www.sfdph.org
- www.sf72.org
- www.sfgov.org

At this time, public health officials are not generally recommending the cancellation of public events. However, DPH has recommended that events that involve vulnerable populations should be carefully reconsidered at this time, and advises everyone review the CDC's [recommendations](#) on mass gatherings.

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Wednesday, March 4, 2020

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***** PRESS RELEASE *****

**MAYOR LONDON BREED APPOINTS ANNE TAUPIER TO
SERVE AS DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT IN THE OFFICE
OF ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

Taupier will assume leadership of the office's Joint Development Team and serve as the City's lead negotiator with large development projects, which provide significant amounts of new housing and affordable housing

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that Anne Taupier will serve as Director of Development in the Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD). Current Director of Development Ken Rich is retiring from City service after 23 years.

The OEWD Director of Development spearheads the City's efforts to ensure that proposed large development projects provide robust community benefits packages, including new affordable housing, public open spaces and workforce development opportunities. The Joint Development team has managed projects over the last ten years that have resulted in approval of more than 20,000 new housing units, including 7,000 new affordable units and 40 new

acres of public parks and open spaces.

“We have a severe housing shortage in San Francisco and we need to create more homes so people can afford to live here,” said Mayor Breed. “I’m looking forward to working with Anne to ensure that large development projects continue to provide for our communities, so that we can address the City’s housing shortage and create desperately needed affordable homes.”

Ms. Taupier will work alongside the Director of Housing Delivery and the Director of Planning to address the City’s housing shortage as quickly and aggressively as possible. Mayor Breed appointed Judson True as Director of Housing Delivery in 2018, and recently appointed Rich Hillis as Planning Director.

“San Francisco is known worldwide for innovation, and Mayor Breed has the courage and vision to recognize that we have to bring that same know how to our housing affordability crisis. She knows that we can’t keep underbuilding the way we have for decades and expect better results,” said Ms. Taupier. “We have to correct course, and I’m proud to be a part of her team to entitle, deliver, construct and stabilize housing for every San Franciscan.”

Ms. Taupier has worked as a Project Manager on the Joint Development Team in OEWD since 2009. In this role, she has worked collaboratively with every City agency involved in the coordination, management, and approvals of large, mixed-use development projects as they navigate the City’s entitlement, legislative and political processes.

“Anne is an exceptional addition to City leadership who will bring forward the best practices and innovative solutions to enhance the City’s housing affordability, sustainability, and equity goals,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “With a proven track record of delivering value to our City and its diverse communities, we’re thrilled to welcome Anne to a team committed to realizing Mayor Breed’s vision for equitable and shared prosperity.”

“I’ve had first-hand experience working with Anne in the Bayview,” said Jacqueline Flin, Executive Director at the A. Philip Randolph Institute San Francisco. “I’ve witnessed her direct engagement with families, community leaders and business owners, and her commitment to low-income families in this City. Her work has strengthened our neighborhoods, businesses, commercial corridors and workforce opportunities, and I’m excited to work with her in her new role.”

Throughout her years on the Joint Development team, Ms. Taupier has led numerous negotiations with developers to provide community benefits packages that reflect and enhance the City’s housing affordability, sustainability, jobs, open space, equity, and transportation policy objectives. She has worked on numerous projects, including Hunters Point Shipyard, America’s Cup, 5M, the Plumbers Union Mixed-Use project, the Conservatory of Music student housing project, the India Basin mixed-use project, and the Flower Mart.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND CITY LEADERS CELEBRATE
THE PASSAGE OF EARTHQUAKE SAFETY AND
EMERGENCY RESPONSE BOND**

*Voters approve critical emergency preparedness bond, which is currently passing with over
81% of the vote*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and City leaders today celebrated the passage of a \$628.5 million bond funding seismic retrofitting and resiliency for fire stations, police stations, and other critical public safety infrastructure. Mayor Breed introduced the Earthquake Safety and Emergency Response (ESER) Bond in May along with co-sponsors Supervisors Sandra Lee Fewer and Catherine Stefani and it was placed on the ballot with the support of the entire Board of Supervisors. The bond is currently passing with over 81% of the vote.

“We know we need to act now to ensure that we’re as resilient as possible for the next major disaster,” said Mayor Breed. “We know that it’s not a matter of ‘if,’ but a matter of ‘when’ the next major earthquake will strike. This ESER Bond will help our City make critical infrastructure investments so that we’re prepared for the next earthquake or other natural

disaster, and so our first responders can take care of our residents when it matters most.”

The Bond provides the following investments in San Francisco’s preparedness efforts:

- \$275 million to fund seismic retrofitting and resiliency projects for Neighborhood Fire Stations and support facilities, such as firefighting training facilities;
- \$153.5 million for the Emergency Firefighting Water System;
- \$121 million to fund seismic retrofitting and resiliency projects for San Francisco Police District Stations, and support facilities;
- \$70 million for disaster response facilities;
- \$9 million for the Department of Emergency Management 9-1-1 Call Center.

“I am both thrilled and relieved that the voters have approved this ESER bond by a 2/3 majority,” said Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer. “This bond will make our neighborhoods more resilient in the wake of disaster by building up our safety infrastructure on the Westside and in our public safety facilities. I am proud to have fought for this crucial public investment on behalf of my residents.”

“It is critical to our residents that San Francisco’s public safety infrastructure—including our fire and police stations, emergency water system, and other essential facilities—is prepared for the next major earthquake,” said Supervisor Catherin Stefani. “The voters made the right decision to make this key investment to bolster our disaster preparedness.”

The ESER Bond Program is an initiative to bolster earthquake safety and emergency response resiliency through capital improvements to critical infrastructure. San Francisco voters overwhelmingly approved the first \$412 million ESER Bond in 2010 and the second \$400 million ESER Bond in 2014, both receiving nearly 80 percent support. The Bond Program is administered by San Francisco Public Works, which designs and implements many of the infrastructure improvement projects funded by the Bond.

“San Francisco remains committed to strengthening our public safety infrastructure and making key investments that will last for generations to come,” said City Administrator Naomi M. Kelly. “Our 10-Year Capital Plan ensures that the emergency firefighting water system, police and fire stations, and 9-1-1 call center all meet the City’s needs and we are grateful to San Franciscans for their continued support.”

“These much-needed seismic safety and infrastructure resiliency resources will enable San Francisco first responders to protect our city and residents during a major disaster,” said Police Chief William Scott. “Thanks to voters, officers and civilian staff at our district police stations and support facilities will be better prepared to respond quickly during an emergency.”

“When a disaster strikes, our Firefighters need to be able to respond immediately. From my experience as a Firefighter and a Paramedic, I know first-hand how important it is to have the infrastructure and facilities that allow our First Responders to do their jobs,” said Fire Chief Jeanine Nicholson. “This Bond will provide the funding that we need to invest in public safety infrastructure and First Responder facilities.”

“Thanks to the support of San Francisco voters, the City remains on the critical path towards resiliency with passage of ESER 2020,” said Alaric Degrafinried, Acting Director of San Francisco Public Works, which manages the bond program. “Safeguarding San Francisco is a

top priority and the ability to upgrade and enhance our vital first-response and post-disaster infrastructure is key to achieving that objective.”

The 10-Year Capital Plan adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 30, 2019 included the ESER Bond funding. Published every odd year, the 10-Year Capital Plan is a fiscally constrained expenditure plan that lays out infrastructure investments over the next decade. The City Administrator prepares the document with input from citywide stakeholders, who put forth their best ideas and most realistic estimates of San Francisco’s future needs.

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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVES
LEASE FOR 200-BED NAVIGATION CENTER**

Mayor London Breed and Supervisor Matt Haney sponsored legislation to create a SAFE Navigation Center in the Upper Market area for people experiencing homelessness

San Francisco, CA — The Board of Supervisors today unanimously approved the lease for a new approximately 200-bed SAFE Navigation Center at 33 Gough Street. Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Matt Haney sponsored the legislation to create the Navigation Center to serve people experiencing homelessness.

The 200 beds at the Upper Market SAFE Navigation Center are part of Mayor Breed's initiative to add 1,000 new shelter beds in San Francisco by the end of this year.

“With the approval of this lease, we are one step closer to creating 200 new places for people experiencing homelessness to get off the streets, into shelter, and on the path to housing,” said Mayor Breed. “The location of this new Upper Market SAFE Navigation Center will help us meet people where they are, and more easily connect people who are suffering on our streets with the help they need.”

“This project demonstrates how we can creatively provide services and shelter on an interim basis where affordable housing will break ground in three years,” said Supervisor Matt Haney. “This is a neighborhood that will benefit tremendously from opportunities to get unhoused people off the street and transitioned into housing and services.”

The SAFE Navigation Center model provides low-barrier, high service shelter so people can come inside with partners, pets and their possessions, with 24/7 access and trauma-informed care. The site for the Upper Market Navigation Center is located in the McCoppin Hub area between Gough and McCoppin Streets, which is at the intersection of several neighborhoods, including the Mission, Hayes Valley, SoMa, the Lower Haight, the Castro and Duboce Triangle. Once constructed, the Navigation Center will first focus on providing shelter and enhanced health services to people who are homeless in the immediate area.

“Everyday, our teams talk with people living unsheltered who are desperate to come in doors and begin their journey out of homelessness” said Jeff Kositsky, Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. “We need more shelter and more housing exits from homelessness of every kind. We are deeply grateful to the community surrounding 33 Gough who showed up with excellent questions, concerns and significant support as well as Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney for their leadership.”

The property was previously occupied by the City College of San Francisco and is available for a three-year interim use before it is developed into affordable and middle-income housing. The Board authorized the lease of the property for three years, with an annual rent of \$1.26 million. The City’s Real Estate Division negotiated the terms of the lease with the property developer, Integral Group.

“The Navigation Center is an important project that will protect the homeless and give them the stability they need to transition to more permanent housing,” said Dalila Sotelo, Vice President and Western Region Managing Director of Integral’s Community Development Division. “I applaud Mayor Breed and the Board of Supervisors for their vision and leadership in helping the homeless and addressing key housing issues.”

The City hosted multiple community discussions about the project, including a small neighborhood stakeholder meeting, and two large community input forums on January 27th and February 10th. The input forums included representatives from the Mayor’s office, Supervisor Haney’s office, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH), staff of Supervisors offices from surrounding communities, and numerous neighbors and community stakeholders.

“We are both thrilled to support the Upper Market SAFE Navigation Center, in a structure that would otherwise be vacant,” said community members Parker Day and Vanessa Gregson. “Not only have we personally seen the positive impact that Navigation Centers can bring, but there is an incredible need for the life changing services they provide. Our neighborhood’s Navigation Center will be a way out of homelessness for many, and we couldn’t be prouder to support it.”

This January, Mayor Breed announced the next phase in the City’s efforts to address homelessness, with a goal to open at least 2,000 additional places for people experiencing homelessness over the next two years. These placements will include Permanent Supportive

Housing, scattered-site supportive housing, master-leased housing, behavioral health beds, and expanded shelter and drop-in center capacity.

Mayor Breed's initiative recognizes that housing is a core part of the Homeless Response System. In order to get people off the streets and into shelter, the City needs to focus on expanding Permanent Supportive Housing as well as Rapid Rehousing, Housing Ladder and Problem Solving exits from homelessness to improve flow across the system and open up spaces in the shelter system.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES BRIDGE TO
EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Mayor Breed's Bridge to Excellence Scholarship Program will provide scholarship awards to graduating high school seniors from low-income backgrounds to overcome financial barriers to attending college

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced this year's Bridge to Excellence Scholarship Program, which will provide scholarships to highly-motivated graduating high school seniors from low-income and under-resourced communities in order to help overcome financial barriers they face to attend college.

The Bridge to Excellence Scholarship Program will provide up to 18 students from San Francisco public high schools with \$2,500 each in scholarship awards. Last year, Mayor Breed's Bridge to Excellence program provided 18 students with scholarships, making it the largest scholarship program run by the Mayor's Office since it began in 2011. Funding for the

scholarship comes from the generous sponsorship of business and philanthropic partners.

“I understand the barriers that young people from low-income families have to face in order to get to college, especially they are the first in their family to pursue higher education,” said Mayor Breed. “I would not be serving as the Mayor of San Francisco were it not for the doors that my education opened for me, and I believe that every young person deserves an opportunity like I had. Our Bridge to Excellence scholarship provides financial support to help cover some of the expenses of going to college—like books and moving costs—so that there’s one less thing for students and their families to worry about.”

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must be a San Francisco Unified School District high school senior graduating in spring 2020 with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.20. Applicants must demonstrate a significant financial need and be the first in their family to attend a four-year college. The application window will be open until Friday, April 10th, 2020. The Mayor’s Office will review all qualified candidates and notify recipients by the end of May.

Interested students can apply at: <https://sfmayor.org/BridgeToExcellence>

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**CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO TAKES ACTION FOLLOWING
EMERGENCY DECLARATION TO PREPARE FOR NOVEL
CORONAVIRUS**

City leaders provide update on new local testing efforts, expanded staffing deployments, and efforts to protect the most vulnerable populations and prepare for possibility of community spread of the virus

San Francisco, CA – Today, Mayor London N. Breed and San Francisco Public Health and Emergency officials announced new plans to protect public health and strengthen preparations for potential community spread of novel coronavirus in San Francisco. These plans include new local testing for COVID-19 by the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH), prioritization for protection of vulnerable populations, and increased City staff and volunteer deployment.

Each of these policies builds on the actions already underway since the City activated its Emergency Operations Center on January 27th and declared a Local Emergency on Tuesday, th

February 25 . While San Francisco has no confirmed cases of COVID-19 as of this announcement, public health officials expect confirmed cases soon, particularly with the changing patterns in the Bay Area and the new local testing, which will speed up the time it takes to get test results.

“San Francisco is continuing to focus our preparations on protecting the health of all of our residents, especially those who are most vulnerable to this virus,” said Mayor Breed. “Our public health workers and City staff have been working relentlessly to prepare and conduct outreach into the communities, and we will expand on these efforts and work with all of our regional, state, and federal partners as this situation evolves. We will continue to update the public with information as it comes in and we encourage everyone to take all precautions necessary to take of yourselves, your families, and your communities.”

As of 12:00 p.m. today, the new coronavirus has sickened more than 89,000 people worldwide and caused more than 3,000 deaths. The numbers are changing rapidly. California has about 40 cases of COVID-19 – a combination of people from repatriation flights and those identified by local public health departments. These numbers are likely to increase.

“As the situation changes rapidly in the Bay Area and on the west coast, we expect to have confirmed cases in San Francisco and are preparing for community spread of the virus,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “It’s not a matter of if, but when. The Health Department will prioritize protecting the populations that are most vulnerable to becoming very sick or dying if they get COVID-19. That includes the elderly and people with chronic diseases and underlying health conditions.”

“The San Francisco Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Department of Emergency Management have led our City’s response efforts since January. We are grateful for the contributions of all city departments and community partners to assist in our preparedness,” said Mary Ellen Carroll, Executive Director, San Francisco Department of Emergency Management. “This week’s further activation of disaster service workers and volunteer organizations builds on San Francisco’s aggressive strategy to bolster our preparedness for COVID-19.”

The best way for all San Franciscans to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, will still apply to prevent COVID-19 if it begins to circulate in the community:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Cover your cough or sneeze;
- Stay home if you are sick;
- Get your flu shot to protect against flu or symptoms similar to COVID-19; and
- If you have recently returned from a country or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials.

You can also prepare for the possible disruption caused by an outbreak:

- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family;
- Make a child care plan if you or a care giver are sick;
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage a school closure; and
- Make a plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.

Stay up to date on this rapidly evolving situation by visiting www.sfdph.org or www.sf72.org

and the CDC's website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov>.

LOCAL TESTING EFFORTS BY SFPD

In a benefit to our local efforts, the San Francisco Department of Public Health lab began local testing for COVID-19 on Monday, March 2. The local lab will conduct tests seven days a week, shortening the turnaround time for test results, which previously had to be sent to the CDC in Atlanta. The CDC lab sent results back in three to seven days, and we expect the local lab to provide results in one to two days. The testing process will remain the same. Providers who have patients with suspected COVID-19 will consult with the DPH Communicable Disease team that will contact CDC to determine if they meet the criteria for testing.

The CDC expanded testing criteria last week beyond people with symptoms who had traveled to a country with COVID-19 cases, close contacts of people with COVID-19 who develop symptoms, or health care workers who treated COVID-19 patients who develop symptoms to include people hospitalized with pneumonia, with no clear diagnosis for their symptoms. The DPH lab will conduct the tests locally based on the expanded criteria. It is important for the public to understand that there is no on-demand testing. The test kits from the CDC are limited and testing will be done only after consultation between local health officials and the CDC.

EXPANDED EMERGENCY STAFFING SUPPORT

Since San Francisco's emergency declaration on Tuesday, February 25th more than two dozen Disaster Service Workers were activated to support advanced emergency planning efforts, operations and community education and engagement.

Over the course of the week, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) developed alternative housing options, streamlined protocols for priority resource requests, and developed and disseminated COVID-19 health and preparedness information in English, Chinese, Spanish and Filipino. In addition to these efforts, outreach staff have participated in more than 30 outreach events throughout San Francisco since late January.

Beginning this week, San Francisco will activate more than 50 additional Disaster Service Workers. Additional personnel may include but are not limited to planners, analysts, community engagement specialists, public information officers, bilingual employees, administrative staff, and those who have received training in the incident command system.

San Francisco will also activate volunteer organizations including but not limited to the San Francisco Fire Department's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) and the San Francisco Police Department's Auxiliary Law Enforcement Emergency Response Team (ALERT) to increase the scope of San Francisco's outreach and education efforts.

PROTECTING MOST VULNERABLE

- People who are homeless in San Francisco are especially vulnerable because of older age and multiple chronic medical and mental health conditions. San Francisco is continuing to reach out to patients in the city's San Francisco Health Network with chronic disease or complex medical and behavioral health needs to ensure they have their medical needs met for the next 90 days in order to help people with high needs avoid the medical system except in cases of urgent need.

The City is working with health care providers to ensure that staff and residents are educated on prevention measures and are able to rapidly identify and isolate patients with the disease. Additionally, the City is conducting outreach to congregate living settings, which house priority populations, to educate them about the virus and how they can protect themselves.

BACKGROUND ON NOVEL CORONAVIRUS AND LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION

Last week, San Francisco declared a local emergency to boost preparedness for novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

The declaration of a local emergency is a legal document that mobilizes City resources, accelerates emergency planning, streamlines staffing, coordinates agencies across the city, allows for future reimbursement by the state and federal governments, and raises awareness about how everyone can prepare in the event that COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) appears in our community. Solano, Santa Clara, San Diego, Orange and Alameda counties have issued similar declarations to bolster their preparedness. The San Francisco declaration will be voted on by the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 3rd.

San Francisco has been working diligently to prevent COVID-19, and to implement containment efforts for any San Franciscans who test positive for the new virus. The Department of Public Health activated its Departmental Operations Center on January 21, marshalling internal resources and leadership to focus on the clinical, epidemiological and community response. The Health Department has worked with local hospitals to identify isolation rooms, and health care clinics are screening patients for travel history and symptoms. The City opened its Emergency Operations Center on January 27, bringing the strength of the entire San Francisco response system to focus on this developing situation.

Globally, there have been more than 89,000 cases and more than 3,000 deaths since the disease first emerged in Wuhan, China in December 2019. While the majority of cases and deaths have taken place in China, the epicenter of the illness, the virus has now spread to about 60 countries, including the United States. As of 12:00 p.m. today, there are approximately 77 cases in this country, including 40 in California. While San Francisco has no confirmed cases in city residents, the City expects that to change and is preparing for community spread of the virus.

The federal government has worked to contain the virus by imposing strict travel restrictions for people returning from mainland China. As of February, foreign nationals who have traveled to China within the past 14 days are not permitted entry into the U.S., unless they are immediate family of U.S. citizens or permanent residents. All U.S. citizens returning from Hubei Province, China are subject to a mandatory 14-day quarantine by the federal government. U.S. citizens returning from other parts of mainland China who have symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath) are subject to a mandatory quarantine. Those returning from mainland China without symptoms are directed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to self-quarantine at home with monitoring by their local health department. In San Francisco, the Health Department is monitoring hundreds of returning travelers. Risk for the virus is based on travel history and contacts, not race, ethnicity, or culture.

COVID-19 cases or a local outbreak in San Francisco will require every sector of the city to

play a role in ensuring the community's health. The emergency declaration provides a structure to support expanded efforts. For example, schools should be planning how they would manage potential closures, and businesses ought to look at their work-from-home policies and sick leave in order to support people who may need to self-quarantine.

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Monday, March 2, 2020

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED CELEBRATES BEGINNING OF
WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

Event kicks off month-long celebration of women's contributions in San Francisco and beyond

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today kicked off Women's History Month with a celebration in City Hall. The 2020 San Francisco Women's History Month theme is "Valiant Women of the Vote." The San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women and the Department on the Status of Women co-hosted the event.

Mayor Breed spoke about the need to include everyone's voice in the public process, and the importance of supporting programs and resources that assist women, families, children, and San Francisco's most marginalized residents. She presented certificates of honor to the women of the Women's March and Nadia Rahman, in recognition of their efforts to register women to vote and make San Francisco a more equitable place.

"Today, we honor the women who are helping women find their voice and get involved in government," said Mayor Breed. "These Valiant Women of the Vote are fighting for the voting rights of others—especially women, but also people of color, low-income people, and

people from underserved communities. I want to thank the awardees for their contributions to our City, and I look forward to celebrating Women's History Month and continuing to lift up the achievements of all women in our community."

A certificate of honor was presented to Nadia Rahman, a Muslim American woman of color and child of immigrants who came to the United States to seek a better life for themselves and their children. She works as a digital communications expert, activist, and organizer. She uses her expertise as a marketer and storyteller to motivate and inspire others to show up and get involved in volunteer and civic engagement opportunities.

Mayor Breed also honored the co-founders of the Women's March of San Francisco for their role in organizing the march and working year-round to help women register to vote, get involved in local government, and inspire women to run for office. Women's March co-founders Anne Mercogliano and Women's Commissioner Sophia Andary accepted the certificate on behalf of all the members of the Women's March of San Francisco.

Breanna Zwart, President of the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women stated: "The strong leadership of Mayor London Breed, the first African American woman Mayor of San Francisco, demonstrates the importance of women's full participation in our democracy. During this time when we see our democracy increasingly under attack, this month's honorees have shown tremendous commitment and courage."

"Newly uncovered historical sources put together by the Glen Park Neighborhoods History Project indicate that San Francisco was the site of the first ever suffrage march, in 1908," said Dr. Emily Murase, Director of the San Francisco Department on the Status of Women. "We must not forget the suffragettes who, over 100 years ago, picketed the White House, went to jail, and endured intense personal suffering in order to secure the vote."

"In the year we are marking the centennial of the 19th Amendment, we are delighted to showcase the efforts of today's suffragettes, Nadia Rahman, Anne Mercogliano, Commissioner Sophia Andary and the entire Women's March of San Francisco," said Linda Calhoun, President of the Friends of the Commission the Status of Women.

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Commissioners.

A word of thanks for all you've done for the Planning Department these last 12 years, and your support of me and the Department staff. I have greatly appreciated your dedication to the city, and the extraordinary time commitment you make on our behalf. All the best to you in the coming years, and toward guiding us all to an even better San Francisco.

Fondly
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Commissioners,
If you do plan to attend one of the time slots listed below, please let us know.

We should avoid having more than three Commissioners from the CPC or the HPC at any one open house event.

Thank you,

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Hi Commissioners – Please feel free to stop by.

Thanks,
Christine

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The 49 SVN Team will be hosting an Informational Open House. There will be full-scale mock-ups of a representative benching and planning station, as well as additional information regarding other furniture, the new Permit Center, and the Move that's happening in summer 2020. Please help us spread the word. We look forward to seeing you there!

Where: 30 Van Ness Ave, Suite 3300

When:

- Monday 3/9: 9am to 1pm
- Tuesday 3/10: noon to 4pm
- Wednesday 3/11: 9am to 1pm
- Thursday 3/12: noon to 4pm

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SUPERVISOR NORMAN YEE
CALL FOR SAN FRANCISCO FAMILIES TO BECOME
FOSTER PARENTS TO CHILDREN IN NEED**

San Franciscans urged to get involved in order to help keep foster children connected to their families, schools and communities

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed, Supervisor Norman Yee, and the San Francisco Human Services Agency (HSA) today issued an appeal for more City residents to support children who have experienced abuse and neglect by considering opportunities to foster, mentor, or adopt in San Francisco. The Board of Supervisors Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee held a hearing on the state of the San Francisco's foster care system today, and emphasized that new state mandates to place foster children with families rather than in group homes has increased the need for more local families to become foster parents.

"We need to raise awareness among San Franciscans of the critical need to keep foster kids in our community," said Mayor Breed. "In San Francisco, we do our best to support every

member of our community, and this extends to caring for children who may be experiencing a tough time in their lives. We need our community to step up and embrace these kids in the foster care system, and provide them with love and guidance.”

As San Francisco’s child welfare agency, HSA’s first priority is to keep children who are at risk of abuse and neglect safe at home with their families. When this is not possible, social workers hope to place foster children with a trusted relative or identify caring foster families in San Francisco that can keep children connected to their community, in addition to the relatives, friends, and school connections they rely upon every day. In today’s hearing, HSA announced its goal to add 100 new foster homes in San Francisco so that the majority of foster children for whom the Agency cannot find a relative caregiver will be able to remain in the City.

The need for foster homes is increasing as state law requires foster children to transition out of group homes. Under California’s Continuum of Care Reform, new child welfare practices will reduce these group settings and increase home-based placements with foster families, which result in better long-term emotional and developmental outcomes for youth. For children on the path to reunifying with their family, remaining in San Francisco can also help facilitate essential visits and bonds with parents.

“San Francisco youth contribute so much to the vibrancy and diversity of our City. We can give back to those experiencing a difficult time by providing loving, stable environments in the communities they call home,” said Supervisor Norman Yee. “As one of the most inclusive and generous cities in the world, we are calling on our residents to rise up to the challenge. We are looking for foster families, mentors, and those able to provide a permanent home to a foster youth. This can be one of the most rewarding things you will ever do.”

“Our aim is to keep our foster kids in the San Francisco they know and love whenever possible,” said Trent Rhorer, Executive Director of the San Francisco Human Services Agency. “One hundred new foster caregivers could make all the difference in keeping San Francisco foster children connected to their community. No matter your marital status, sexual orientation, or age, all kinds of adults and families have what it takes to become great foster parents.”

Today’s Board of Supervisors hearing also revealed trends in the decline of the number of children in San Francisco foster care. For example, in 2000, there were more than 2,400 children in care (0-17 years old), and this year there are 485, representing a decrease of 80 percent. This is due to several factors, such as family reunification efforts that result in children spending less time in foster care and City partnerships with neighborhood-based non-profit agencies to help prevent children from entering foster care by providing vital services to families in need. These services include counseling, child care, parent education, mentoring, case management, and other activities that strengthen families and improve children’s well-being.

All kinds of people and families are needed to become foster parents, including LGBTQ+ families, empty-nesters, singles, and couples with or without children, as well as renters or home owners. HSA works to support parents throughout the application process and during foster placements. Once approved, supportive benefits and services for foster parents include child care, financial support, successful parent training, mentorship, and respite care.

HSA has launched a public information campaign to raise awareness of this issue and to compel residents to get involved to help the City's foster youth. Through advertisements on billboards, Muni buses and shelters, as well as digital and social media ads, the message is clear: if 100 people became foster parents, more children could remain in San Francisco. If caring directly for children is not something you can do right now, there are many other ways to get involved such as mentoring a foster child or donating to organizations that support foster youth.

The community is encouraged to visit [Foster-SF.org](https://www.foster-sf.org) or contact HSA at (415) 558-2200 where they can learn more about the many ways to support foster children and help make a difference in a child's life—as well as their own.

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**STATE AWARDS \$8.5 MILLION FOR WATERFRONT PARK
IN INDIA BASIN**

Project will transform a vacant industrial lot in the Southeastern neighborhood into the City's newest park

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced that funding from a voter-approved bond measure to create new parks and recreation opportunities in underserved communities will contribute to the creation of a new park in San Francisco. On Tuesday, February 25, the state announced it would grant San Francisco \$8.5 million to transform a former industrial lot in India Basin into a waterfront park.

Additional funding for the India Basin Shoreline Park Restoration Project includes a \$25 million donation from the John Pritzker Family Fund and \$4 million from the state budget secured with the help of Assemblymember Phil Ting (D-San Francisco), Chair of the Assembly Budget Committee.

The grant will go toward recreation features envisioned by community members at the future India Basin Park. Improvements include gathering docks for people to socialize along the

restored shoreline; an accessible walkway and stairs to connect Bayview-Hunters Point with the expanded park, gardens and natural habitats; a public plaza for fitness classes, performances, and farmers markets; a lighted bicycle and pedestrian path that will close a gap in the Bay Trail, linking the Embarcadero to Candlestick Point; and an ecological education area where visitors can observe tidal mudflat habitats and native birds through small paths, decks and viewing platforms.

“With this funding from the state, we are one step closer to a beautiful, waterfront hub for recreation and ecological education in the Bayview,” said Mayor Breed. “This project is true environmental justice for residents of the southeast neighborhoods and will be an incredible place to visit for everyone in San Francisco.”

“Parks are not a luxury. They’re tangible reflections of the quality of life within a community. I’m thrilled a state and local partnership will result in the transformation of an underserved San Francisco neighborhood and offer its residents what’s available in other parts of the city: a place to connect with others and enjoy public recreation,” said Assemblymember Ting.

The funding comes from Proposition 68, a \$4 billion bond passed by California voters in June 2018 to ensure parks are safe, properly managed and accessible to everyone. Cities applied for the grants through a competitive process, and the state received \$2.3 billion in requests for the available \$254.9 million in this round of funding.

The project site at 900 Innes Avenue is poised to undergo restoration of tidal marsh and wildlife habitat. This restoration is the first step in a plan to revitalize and unite a series of existing and poorly conditioned waterfront open spaces into a 10-acre seamless design. Once complete, it will provide unrivaled recreational access for 2,500 units of public and affordable housing, either existing or planned, within one mile of the future park.

“I’m extremely pleased about this investment in our community. Parks are essential to our physical, mental and emotional health,” said Supervisor Shamann Walton. “This design was shaped by the hopes and desires of the Bayview-Hunters Point community and reflects our arts, culture, and traditions. It will be amazing when the vision of this park is realized.”

“The India Basin Shoreline project is the result of many different stakeholders coming together to invest in preserving and activating our public waterfront,” said Supervisor Aaron Peskin, who also serves on the Bay Restoration Authority. “These grant dollars ensure the public’s sustained access through everything from safe bike paths to a public porch and gathering spaces. This investment is a recognition that our public parks are intended to be communal spaces accessible to everyone.”

“India Basin is a once-in-a-generation park project for San Francisco—an opportunity to create a beautiful green space on the coastline for neighbors in the southeastern neighborhoods to socialize, connect with nature, and enjoy the outdoors,” said San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department General Manager Phil Ginsburg. “I’m so pleased that California’s voters recognize the importance of parks to the health of communities and am grateful that India Basin was among the beneficiaries of their wisdom.”

A key goal of the India Basin project is to serve as an anchor for equitable and inclusive economic growth. Local youth and adults are being trained by nonprofits to work on both the remediation and construction.

The India Basin waterfront project, passed by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in October of 2018, will combine the abandoned industrial site at 900 Innes Avenue, which the City acquired in 2014, with two existing parks that border it: India Basin Shoreline Park and India Basin Shoreline Open Space, both of which would undergo significant improvements.

“For the first time in history, San Francisco has the opportunity to develop a park that prioritizes equity for the community in every aspect of the project,” said Jacqueline Flin, Executive Director of the A. Philip Randolph Institute, which works for civil rights and fair labor practices and is among the project’s partners. “This project has inspired us to dream about a future where our families can grow. By engaging residents and encouraging folks to get involved in the development process, we have established a hope that these investments will directly support the Bayview community and restore a once economically strong and thriving shoreline.”

“California State Park’s \$8.5 million grant to the India Basin Shoreline Park project not only helps build an incredible park, but it is an investment in San Francisco’s Bayview community,” said Diane Regas, President and CEO of The Trust for Public Land. “Together with the community, we are doing more than designing a new park—we are building community, strengthening the neighborhood for the diverse residents of today, and a rolling out a new model of equitable park development.”

Chinomnso Okorie, a youth leader who grew up in the Bayview and currently lives across the street from the project, was among the neighbors whose input guided the design. “It is a huge opportunity and I really love being a part of this project. I see myself as being a role model by helping show other young people how to lead by example and apply themselves to the community,” said Okorie. “The health, education and job skills this park will provide can be used to improve the future of this community. This park provides a creative outlet where youth can develop mentally and physically by creating a platform to explore beyond the boundaries and dream of infinite possibilities.”

Proposition 68, also known as the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018, is the state’s largest investment in grant funding history targeted for underserved communities. The bond also provides funds for aging infrastructure, amenities and improvements to parks that will help attract new and diverse visitors.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SUPERVISOR MATT HANEY
ANNOUNCE LEGISLATION TO AUTHORIZE NEW
OVERDOSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS**

*Legislation would allow nonprofit groups to operate overdose prevention programs in
San Francisco*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Matt Haney today announced they will introduce legislation to authorize Overdose Prevention Programs in San Francisco. The ordinance will establish a process for nonprofit organizations to seek permits from the Department of Public Health (DPH) to operate sites where people who use drugs can do so safely and indoors, receive medical treatment and referrals, and be connected to services to address their addiction when ready. This program is part of Mayor Breed's broader efforts to improve behavioral health services and reduce drug overdoses in San Francisco.

"Safe consumption sites save lives," said Mayor Breed. "They help prevent overdoses, reduce public drug use, prevent the spread of disease, and connect people to medical care that can help treat their addiction. We need one or more of these sites in our city, and this legislation

creates a path for nonprofit providers to apply to operate one of these life-saving facilities.”

“Drug overdose deaths are the most deadly epidemic facing our city. Overdose prevention sites save lives, get people into treatment, and reduce drug use on our streets. Overdose deaths increased dramatically from 259 in 2018 to 330 overdose deaths in 2019. That increase is absolutely devastating and could have been prevented if overdose prevention programs were opened,” said Supervisor Haney. “What we are proposing is not a radical new idea. 100 overdose prevention sites now operate in over 65 cities around the world. No site has experienced an overdose death and many have transitioned thousands of people into treatment and detox services. It’s long past time for San Francisco to urgently implement this proven tool, as part of a broader multi-pronged, comprehensive strategy, to stop overdoses and save lives.”

Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney will introduce the legislation at the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 3rd. The legislation would establish standards for operation of an Overdose Prevention Program and create permitting and regulatory processes managed by DPH. Permits issued under the ordinance will become operative once the State enacts a law authorizing San Francisco to approve Overdose Prevention Program operators. The State Legislature is expected to consider a bill this year, Assembly Bill 362, which would provide this authorization.

Overdose Prevention Programs are controlled health care settings where people can more safely use drugs under clinical supervision and receive health care, counseling, and referrals to health and social services, including drug treatment. The Safer Inside Community Partnership, a community-driven health alliance in the Tenderloin neighborhood, was actively involved in creating the legislation.

According to the most recent estimate, 24,500 people inject drugs in San Francisco. Many of these individuals do not have access to safe or private environments in which to consume drugs, often leading to open usage in public spaces. People using drugs in public spaces are more likely to rush, thereby making them more vulnerable to overdose and other complications of drug use. While people who use drugs, their friends, and first responders have reversed thousands of opioid overdoses with naloxone in recent years, overdose deaths have climbed in San Francisco since the arrival of fentanyl. In addition, injecting in public locations creates public health and safety risks as the presence of needle litter and the potential for needle stick injuries increases.

“Safe consumption sites are a proven strategy to save lives,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “Research shows that the presence of these sites and services does not increase drug injecting, drug trafficking or crime. We need to continue to create more places where people who use drugs can find support and be connected to services like primary medical care and housing.”

“More than 100 evidence-based, peer-reviewed studies indicate that safe consumption sites increase safety for people who inject drugs and reduce the frequency of overdoses,” said Dr. Anton Nigusse Bland, Director of Mental Health Reform. “The concerns about moving forward with this life-preserving, harm reduction resource are more ideological than empirical.”

“Overdose Prevention Programs save lives and treat people who use drugs with dignity and

respect. San Francisco AIDS Foundation applauds this effort to prepare for a site in San Francisco,” said Laura Thomas, director of harm reduction policy at San Francisco AIDS Foundation. “Overdose is a monumental concern in our community. Overdose Prevention Programs offer a path forward and an intervention that will also reduce HIV transmission and save taxpayers money. It’s time to take these steps.”

On Tuesday, February 25, the U.S. District Court in Philadelphia ruled in favor of a nonprofit organization in a suit brought by the federal government seeking to block the opening of the first safe injection site in the country. The court found that the nonprofit’s proposed facility would not violate a provision of the federal Controlled Substances Act. While the Court’s ruling does not apply directly to California, the legislation Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney will introduce is consistent with this federal court ruling.

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***** PRESS RELEASE *****
**CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO MOVES PROACTIVELY TO
PREPARE FOR POSSIBLE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS
ACTIVITY IN THE COMMUNITY**

Although there are still zero confirmed cases of novel coronavirus in San Francisco residents, the global situation is changing rapidly. Mayor Breed, Department of Public Health, and Department of Emergency Management take action to protect community health.

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today made an emergency declaration to strengthen the City's preparedness to respond to COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). She was joined by Health Director Dr. Grant Colfax and Executive Director of the Department of Emergency Management Mary Ellen Carroll in this action to surge resources and capabilities, and ensure San Francisco is as ready as possible in the event that the new virus comes to our community.

“Although there are still zero confirmed cases in San Francisco residents, the global picture is changing rapidly, and we need to step-up preparedness,” said Mayor Breed. “We see the virus spreading in new parts of the world every day, and we are taking the necessary steps to protect

San Franciscans from harm.”

“San Francisco is united and prepared to address any possible spread of the novel coronavirus to San Francisco,” said Board of Supervisors President Norman Yee. “We have one of the most renowned medical systems of care here and we have a long and proven track record of being able to protect, treat, and care for our residents.”

The declaration of a local emergency is a legal document that will mobilize City resources, accelerate emergency planning, streamline staffing, coordinate agencies across the city, allow for future reimbursement by the state and federal governments and raise awareness throughout San Francisco about how everyone can prepare in the event that COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) appears in our community. Santa Clara and San Diego counties have issued similar declarations to bolster their preparedness.

The San Francisco declaration is effective immediately for seven days, and it will be voted on by the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 3rd.

San Francisco has been working diligently to prevent COVID-19, and to implement containment efforts if there are San Franciscans who test positive for the new virus. The Department of Public Health activated its Departmental Operations Center on January 21, marshalling internal resources and leadership to focus on the clinical, epidemiological, and community response. The Health Department has worked with local hospitals to identify isolation rooms, and health care clinics are screening patients for travel history and symptoms. The City opened its Emergency Operations Center (EOC) on January 27, bringing the strength of the entire San Francisco response system to focus on this developing situation.

San Francisco is further expanding the EOC because of today’s emergency declaration. In addition to the establishment of the Community Branch, the EOC will expand the Planning Section, Logistics Section and the Health and Human Services Branch. As a result, the City can accelerate the development of emergency plans should COVID-19 emerge in San Francisco.

“This is a global outbreak that is entering a new phase, and we must be prepared,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “We have been working with elected officials, other city agencies, the public and private health care system, schools, businesses and community organizations to ensure that we as a city are well informed and positioned to respond and do our best to mitigate the impact of the new virus, if it emerges in San Francisco. Today’s declaration reinforces that this is not business as usual. We must be confident that our local readiness efforts are as robust as possible to protect the health of San Francisco residents. This declaration gives us more tools to be even more prepared.”

“Given the high volume of travel between San Francisco and mainland China, there is a growing likelihood that we will see cases of COVID-19 eventually,” said Dr. Tomas Aragon, San Francisco Health Officer. “Most people who are in self-quarantine at home are eager to cooperate and understand the importance of these actions. We are prioritizing children, people who live in congregate settings and vulnerable populations as we plan to reduce the potential for harm from the virus in the community. We have been working closely with the Chinese community, who are so impacted by this situation, and also at risk for stigma and discrimination.”

“Planning, responding and recovering from any emergency requires a whole community approach,” said Mary Ellen Carroll, Executive Director, San Francisco Department of Emergency Management. “San Francisco is establishing a Community Branch in our Emergency Operations Center comprised of community, faith, business and education partners. As a result, community and government partners can work together to identify and coordinate our response to emerging issues.”

Globally, there have been more than 80,000 cases and 2,700 deaths since the disease first emerged in Wuhan, China in December 2019. While the majority of cases and deaths have taken place in China, the epicenter of the illness, the virus has now spread to about 30 countries, including the United States. Currently, there are 53 confirmed cases in this country, including 10 in California. While San Francisco has no confirmed cases in city residents, three COVID-19 patients from other counties have been treated in San Francisco hospitals. Given the global patterns that are being seen, there is a growing likelihood of cases in San Francisco.

The federal government has worked to contain the virus by imposing strict travel restrictions for people returning from mainland China. As of February, foreign nationals who have traveled to China within the past 14 days are not permitted entry into the U.S., unless they are immediate family of U.S. citizens or permanent residents. All U.S. citizens returning from Hubei Province, China are subject to a mandatory 14-day quarantine by the federal government. U.S. citizens returning from other parts of mainland China who have symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath) are subject to a mandatory quarantine. Those returning from mainland China without symptoms are directed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to self-quarantine at home with monitoring by their local health department. In San Francisco, the Health Department is monitoring hundreds of returning travelers. Risk for the virus is based on travel history and contacts, not race, ethnicity, or culture.

If we experience a cluster of COVID-19 cases or a local outbreak, every sector of San Francisco will have a role to play in ensuring the community’s health. Today’s declaration provides a structure to support expanded efforts. For example, schools should be planning how they would manage potential closures, and businesses ought to look at their work-from-home policies and sick leave in order to support people who may need to self-quarantine.

The best way for all San Franciscans to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, will still apply to prevent COVID-19 if it begins to circulate in the community:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Cover your cough or sneeze;
- Stay home if you are sick;
- Get your flu shot to protect against flu or symptoms similar to COVID-19; and
- If you have recently returned from a country with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials.

You can also prepare for the possible disruption caused by an outbreak:

- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family;
- Make a child care plan if you or a care giver are sick;
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage a school closure; and
- Make a plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.

Stay up to date on this rapidly evolving situation by visiting www.sfdph.org or www.sf72.org

and the CDC's website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov>.

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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVES NEW
NAVIGATION CENTER FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH**

*First of its kind Navigation Center at 888 Post Street will provide 75 beds for young people
ages 18 to 24*

San Francisco, CA — The Board of Supervisors today approved the lease for a new 75-bed Navigation Center at 888 Post Street. Mayor London N. Breed and Supervisor Aaron Peskin sponsored the legislation to create the Navigation Center to serve Transitional Age Youth (ages 18-24) experiencing homelessness.

888 Post Street will become the City's first Navigation Center for young people ages 18-24. The Navigation Center model provides low-barrier shelter so young people can come inside with partners, pets and their possessions, with 24/7 access, and trauma-informed care. The 75 beds at 888 Post are part of Mayor Breed's initiative to add 1,000 new shelter beds in San Francisco by the end of this year.

"There are far too many young people sleeping on our streets every night, and this proposed

shelter at 888 Post will help us provide much-needed shelter and services to those who need it,” said Mayor Breed. “I want to thank Supervisor Peskin for his leadership on this Navigation Center and for working to build such strong community support for this project.”

“From our Governor to our Mayor to the people of San Francisco, we all agree that homelessness is the great social challenge of our time,” said Supervisor Peskin. “When we meaningfully involve the community in the process of tackling the crisis, we all become invested in the outcomes. This Navigation Center and job training site will transform lives, and I’m looking forward to continuing to work with our broader Lower Nob Hill community to ensure its success.”

The Navigation Center at 888 Post Street will fill a critical gap in the City’s homeless response system and help get young people off the street and on the path to housing. Over 1,000 Transitional Age Youth are experiencing homelessness in San Francisco, and 83% of young people experiencing homelessness are unsheltered. The City currently has one 40-bed shelter dedicated to serving youth 18 to 24 years old.

“Homelessness among young people has decreased in San Francisco as we have increased our investment. Having a place where young people can come indoors with peers, gain safety and access our system of care has been a long-held goal for our young people, HSH and our partners,” said Jeff Kositsky, Director, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing.

The Board authorized the lease of the building for 20 years, with a base rent of \$1.5 million. The City has the option of purchasing the building at any time from now until August 2022. The City’s Real Estate Division negotiated the terms of the lease with the property owners. Additionally, the City plans to sublease the ground floor of the building to Goodwill, which will offset some of the cost of the rent.

In addition to providing shelter and wraparound services, the facility at 888 Post will house a job training program provided by Goodwill Industries, which Navigation Center guests may choose to access on the first floor of the building.

The City hosted multiple community discussion about the project, including two large community input forums on January 9th and January 23rd. The input forums included representatives from the Mayor’s office, Supervisor Peskin’s office, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, Goodwill, and numerous neighbors and community stakeholders.

On Thursday, February 27th, the Planning Commission will vote on the Conditional Use Permit for the Navigation Center.

“Housing and employment are inextricably linked. The Goodwill Training and Career Center at 888 Post Street will offer proven vocational programs and services, including critical digital skill building, to transitional age youth in our community,” said SF Goodwill President and CEO William Rogers. “As a nonprofit, our mission is to create second chances through training and the dignity of work. In partnership with the Mayor’s office, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing and Supervisor Peskin’s office, we will work together to break the cycle of homelessness and chronic unemployment for some of the city’s most vulnerable populations.”

“Music City is proud to support the TAY Navigation Center at 888 Post Street,” said Peter Jacobsen, General Manager, Music City Hit Factory. “Our organization has been inspired by the outpouring of support from the neighborhood and our community of musicians. The housing crisis is our city’s most critical issue. San Francisco must spare no effort in its commitment to finding impactful solutions. The statistics are clear that 18 to 24 year olds are not effectively served by general homeless rehabilitation services. The long vacant House of Fans building represents a rare opportunity to secure an optimal location and transform it into a beacon of hope for our underserved neighbors. We look forward to helping to foster the project and its clients in any way we can.”

This January, Mayor Breed announced the next phase in the City’s efforts to address homelessness, with a goal to open at least 2,000 additional places for people experiencing homelessness over the next two years. These placements will include Permanent Supportive Housing, scattered-site supportive housing, master leased housing, behavioral health beds, and expanded shelter and drop-in center capacity. Mayor Breed’s initiative recognizes that housing is a core part of the Homeless Response System, and that in order to get people off the streets and into shelter, the City needs to focus on expanding Permanent Supportive Housing as well as Rapid Rehousing, Housing Ladder and Problem Solving exits from homelessness to improve flow across the system and open up spaces in the shelter system.

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Dear City and County Employees:

Mayor London Breed has issued a declaration of a local emergency in San Francisco in response to the global outbreak and spread of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). This was a proactive step that will allow the City to better prepare for the possibility of a local COVID-19 outbreak.

San Francisco has zero confirmed cases of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus).

Disaster Service Workers

As you know, all City and County employees are designated by State law as Disaster Service Workers (DSWs). This means that when the Mayor declares a local emergency, employees may be deployed to different work sites than usual, or be asked to perform work duties or tasks that are different from their regular work responsibilities. No one will be assigned duties they are not qualified or trained to perform. If you have questions about the responsibilities of a DSW, please speak with your department's human resources team.

Maintaining A Respectful Workplace

A person's risk for COVID-19 depends on travel history, not on race, ethnicity or culture.

Residents of the Bay Area remain at low risk of infection from COVID-19, unless they have recently traveled to Mainland China, or have come in close contact with someone who was ill and recently traveled in Mainland China. As a reminder, City employees must abide by the Respect in the Workplace policy, and treat colleagues and members of the public with courtesy and respect. Discrimination of any kind is a violation of the City's Equal Employment Opportunity policies and will not be tolerated.

Staying Healthy

We advise City employees to take the following steps to protect themselves and their families from infection:

1. Take preventive measures such as frequent hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based sanitizer.
2. Cover your coughs and sneezes, avoid touching your face.
3. Stay home if you are sick.
4. Get your flu shot to protect against flu or symptoms similar to COVID-19
5. If you feel sick, please call your primary care physician or the nurse advice line.
Employees have sick leave available should they need to stay home due to illness.
 - a. Kaiser members: Contact the nurse advice line listed on your insurance card.
 - b. Blue Shield members: Contact your primary care physician listed on your insurance card .
 - c. United Healthcare members: Contact your physician.

Stay up to date on this rapidly evolving situation by visiting www.sfdph.org or www.sf72.org. For more information on Disaster Service Workers visit DHR's website: <https://sfdhr.org/disaster-service-workers>

Sincerely,

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED CELEBRATES SAN FRANCISCO'S
RIGHT TO RETURN ORDINANCE**

Ordinance clarifies and expands the right of current and former HOPE SF residents to return to a revitalized housing development or occupy a new affordable housing unit

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today celebrated the signing of San Francisco's Right to Return Ordinance. She was joined by Supervisor Shamann Walton, HOPE SF leadership and residents, and community members at HOPE SF's Potrero Hill housing development. The ordinance was sponsored by Mayor Breed, Supervisor Walton, and the other members of the Board of Supervisors. The ordinance went into effect January 19, 2020.

“The people who have lived in these neighborhoods for years should get to benefit from the investments that we’ve made in our HOPE SF housing developments,” said Mayor Breed. “For too long, public housing residents, including black San Franciscans who have been historically displaced by redevelopment, have been pushed out of the city. This legislation ensures that families can return to the neighborhoods that they call home and benefit from the revitalization of their communities.”

“I am excited to push legislation that will offer an opportunity for many San Francisco residents to return to the City after being displaced,” said Supervisor Walton. “Many Hope SF residents will be given the right to return to their original neighborhoods and communities. I know that bringing back neighborhood residents will help communities return to the vibrant diverse hubs they once were. This Right to Return legislation will help ensure that families can remain rooted in the neighborhoods and communities they helped build.”

“Today we memorialize the repair of a broken promise to our residents,” said Theo Miller, HOPE SF Director. “After years of hard work, we stand together to not only make clear the legal right for our residents to live and thrive in their communities, but also the expanded right for their families and neighbors to return and continue to restore the neighborhoods from which they were pushed out.”

The Right to Return legislation provides former HOPE SF residents with the right to return to their community. The legislation applies to former residents of HOPE SF sites at Hunters View, Alice Griffith, Sunnydale, and Potrero Hill and gives them a priority to return to a revitalized public housing replacement unit at the site from which they moved, once all current HOPE SF residents have had their chance to move in. Additionally, any current or former HOPE SF resident has highest priority to move into any newly opened affordable units in HOPE SF.

Existing law gives current HOPE SF public housing residents the right to a revitalized public housing replacement unit at a HOPE SF site, and this Right to Return legislation ensures HOPE SF residents who were temporarily relocated are entitled to the same protections, with the goal of reducing displacement and ensuring San Francisco residents can remain in the city.

HOPE SF is a key element of the Mayor’s efforts to make San Francisco a more equitable city, by providing revitalized public housing in addition to investments in education, economic mobility, health, and safety.

About HOPE SF

San Francisco’s HOPE SF initiative is the nation’s first large-scale community development effort aimed at disrupting intergenerational poverty, reducing social isolation, and creating vibrant mixed-income communities without mass displacement. Two of the four sites—Alice Griffith and Hunters View—have completed their public housing transformation, with additional affordable and market-rate development remaining. Once completed, the re-envisioned Potrero Hill and Sunnydale communities will be mixed-income, service-enriched communities, affordable to more than 3,000 low-income and middle-class families, and developed according to the non-displacement principles of the Mayor’s HOPE SF initiative.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES OPENING OF
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MOTHERS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS**

Jelani House in the Bayview will provide shelter for 17 people who are pregnant or recently gave birth and are experiencing homelessness, and help clients find permanent housing

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced the opening of Jelani House, a unique transitional housing program for pregnant people and new mothers experiencing homelessness. Mayor Breed was joined by Supervisor Shamann Walton, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, and the Homeless Prenatal Program for a press conference and tour of the new facility. Jelani House is part of Mayor Breed's initiative to open 1,000 new shelter beds by the end of this year.

"Jelani House is more than a facility and more than beds. It will be a place of rejuvenation and hope for our most vulnerable residents," said Mayor Breed. "At Jelani House, guests can transition into parenthood, bond with their new babies, heal, and move forward into housing and a better life for themselves and their families."

Jelani House is located in the Bayview, with 17 private rooms, a living room, community spaces, kitchen and dining area, and a deck and backyard. The City is leasing the building and the Homeless Prenatal Program (HPP) will operate it, providing clients with 24-hour support, including case management, health advocacy, prenatal education and parenting classes, therapy, and nutrition and cooking classes. Delivering Innovation in Supportive Housing (DISH) will provide technical assistance for HPP and Jelani House.

The average intended length of stay for residents at Jelani is approximately six months. During that time, HPP will provide one-on-one assistance to clients to help them find permanent housing as soon as they are ready to leave Jelani House.

HPP specializes in providing services to young families and homeless women with the belief that pregnancy is often a window of opportunity for families to work toward health and stability. Noting the varied challenges homeless, pregnant people often face, HPP uses an evidenced-based, trauma-informed approach to family care. HPP operates a Housing Assistance Program, which serves over 300 families per year with housing case management; limited, short-term financial assistance; and workshops that help families obtain and retain safe housing.

“This is a big win for expecting mothers and the community,” said Supervisor Walton. “Jelani House has always been a safe haven for new mothers and mothers with young children. Having the Homeless Prenatal Program working with families at Jelani House is nothing short of incredible.”

“People who are pregnant and experiencing homelessness are a very high priority,” said Jeff Kositsky, Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. “We are so grateful to everyone who made this incredibly important project come to life and that it will now become part of the many steps the City is taking to support people experiencing homelessness.”

“HPP has always believed in the benefits of a two-generational, upstream approach that invests in families,” Martha Ryan, Founder and Executive Director, Homeless Prenatal Program. “I look forward to working together to make Jelani House a model for the nation that promotes healthy birth outcomes and ends family poverty and homelessness for good.”

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