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According to the San Francisco COVID-19 Data Tracker, the County reports **14,251** confirmed positive cases of COVID-19, **156** deaths and **807,073** total tests collected.¹ The Bay Area has **136,155** cases, including **1,908** deaths.² SF is experiencing a surge in COVID-19 and because of this the City is moving from the least restrictive Yellow Tier to the Red Tier, which means: 1) offices will have to return to 100% remote and telework operations; and 2) Fitness centers (including gyms, hotel fitness facilities, and climbing walls) will have to decrease capacity. Details [here](#).

If you have symptoms or have been exposed, you should get tested. If you have insurance, call your doctor first. For more information on testing options, please visit: sf.gov/gettestedsf.

The City is now offering **free, low-barrier testing fives day week at Alemany Farmer's Market.**

CityTestSF resources are being reallocated from the SoMa testing site to the Alemany Farmer's Market as part of the City's strategic testing program. This site has the capacity to test as many as 500 people a day. The hours of Alemany CityTestSF are:

- Monday: 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Tuesday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



The SFDH released a Travel Advisory on November 12, urging San Franciscans to refrain from travelling outside of the county and recommending a 14-day quarantine for those who do choose to travel. "Travel outside the Bay Area will increase your chance of getting infected with the virus that causes COVID-19 and spreading it to others after your return. Additional precautions should also be taken when hosting and interacting with people traveling to the Bay Area, especially from other areas with widespread COVID-19," from SFDPH advisory- <https://www.sfdph.org/dph/alerts/covid-guidance/COVID-Travel-Advisory.pdf>. Here are [Recommendations for Staying Safe from Covid-19 During the Holidays](#) from the Association of Bay Area Health Officials. [#HolidaysAtHome](#)



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The **Getting to Zero SF Consortium** supports the SF Department of Public Health in affirming that services for testing, prevention, treatment, and monitoring of HIV, STIs, and hepatitis C are ESSENTIAL and should be PRIORITIZED during the COVID-19 pandemic. Read the statement [here](#) and links to resources.

Looking for Local Resources?

- ❖ Lost your health insurance? Or you were already uninsured? Open enrollment through Covered California lasts until Dec 15. Apply now at <https://coveredca.com/apply/>
- ❖ h/t [@SFHumanServices](#): If you know an older adult who is experiencing hunger or needs help finding food assistance programs, encourage them to call our Department of Disability & Aging Services helpline at (415) 355-6700 <http://ow.ly/p1hB50Cj9jC>
- ❖ You are invited to PRC's virtual "**Working While Receiving Disability Benefits**" workshop on Thursday, December 3, 2020, 10 am – 12 pm; the workshop will be available only online via YouTube link. This workshop is **free and open to the public**; however, space is limited, and **RSVP is required by December 2, 2020, at 12:00 pm**. To RSVP for this workshop, **click <http://tiny.cc/WorkingWhile Dec 2020>** and follow the directions to register.
- ❖ San Francisco Needle Exchanges for November 2020 – [locations/schedule](#)
- ❖ PRC's November Calendar of Tele Workshops & Support Groups, including Employment Services Program for People Living with HIV or Mental Health Disabilities – [here](#) for more information!
- ❖ Connect virtually with others in the community, here is a calendar of online gathers offered by the SFCHC - <https://sfcommunityhealth.org/onlinecommunitygroups/>
- ❖ Check here - <https://www.sfaf.org/calendar/> - for virtual meetings and events offered by the San Francisco AIDS Foundation.

We hope to see you at some, or all, of the following **World AIDS Day** events happening locally!

- Dec 1, 10a-12p: National AIDS Memorial [World AIDS Day: An National Conversation](#) event. Sign up here for updates: <https://aidsmemorial.us13.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=9a17ff86821401d47a4e82450&id=9bcd0c0b3a>
- Dec 2, 12p: SFGH HIV/AIDS Grand Rounds: **World AIDS Day** with Early Career Investigators. Register online via the Zoom link [here](#).
- Dec 2, 10a-12p: Crossbay Together **World AIDS Day Summit** – Details TBA
- Dec 4, 12p-1:30p. East Bay Getting to Zero [Surviving 2020: Honoring our Resistance & Resilience on World AIDS Day](#). This event is a collaboration between East Bay Getting to Zero, Oakland LGBTQ Center, RYSE Youth Center and WORLD.

Did you miss the last UCSF Department of Medicine COVID-19 Updates Grand Rounds? You can find them [On YouTube](#). Below are links to recent webinars -



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- ❖ 11/19: Covid-19: Update on Vaccines and Therapeutics [here](#).
- ❖ 11/5: A Conversation with Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, Ezekiel Emanuel, and Andy Slavitt: The Implications of the Election on the Future of the Pandemic [here](#).

Are you an artist with a public health message to share? **The San Francisco Creative Corps pilot program will provide economic opportunities for 60 visual and performance artists, while also promoting public health during global COVID-19 pandemic.** Deborah Cullinan, CEO, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts (YBCA) says, "The SF Creative Corps connects San Francisco's diverse and extensive creative community with the urgent civic needs that have been heightened by COVID-19, the resulting economic recession, and ongoing racial injustice. San Francisco visual artists are invited to submit their work to Paint the Void in order to be considered for this pilot by filling out this [short form](#). For more information on the San Francisco Creative Corps Community Health Ambassadors, please contact aescobedo@ybca.org. Read the Mayor's Press Release [here](#).

References

- ¹ SF.gov COVID-19 Data Tracker <https://data.sfgov.org/stories/s/fjki-2fab>. Data through 11/17/2020.
- ² *The San Francisco Chronicle Coronavirus Live Updates* [here](#)