November 23 Update on COVID-19 & the City’s Response

GTZ-SF will be updating you with some facts on COVID-19 and reminders of how to keep safe, updates on the City’s response and links to resources that may be useful.


According to the San Francisco COVID-19 Data Tracker, the County reports **14,542** confirmed positive cases of COVID-19, **158** deaths and **831,522** total tests collected. The Bay Area has **139,609** cases, including **1,926** deaths. If you think you have [symptoms of COVID-19](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays/thanksgiving.html), you should contact your healthcare provider first to get tested. If you don’t have insurance you can get tested at [http://sf.gov/gettestedsf](http://sf.gov/gettestedsf). Here are links to free COVID-19 testing sites in surrounding counties [Click here for Alameda County](http://sf.gov/gettestedsf), [Contra Costa County](http://sf.gov/gettestedsf) and [Solano County testing sites](http://sf.gov/gettestedsf).

**SF is experiencing a surge in COVID-19.** 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. SFDPH reminds us “Do NOT use testing to determine whether you can travel or gather. People who test negative can still harbor the virus if they're early in their infection or if they are exposed to the virus after the test. A negative test should not be an excuse to put yourself or others at risk.”

- Read [Recommendations for Staying Safe from Covid-19 During the Holidays](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/everyone_can_make_thanksgiving_safer.html.pdf) from the Association of Bay Area Health Officials. #HolidaysAtHome
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/](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](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](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/](https://sfcommunityhealth.org/onlinecommunitygroups/)**
- **Check here - [https://www.sfaf.org/calendar/-](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](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.

**The Mayor’s Office** announced $3.1 million in financial assistance for nonprofit organizations. The grant funding will help neighborhood-serving nonprofit organizations acquire space, relocate or renovate their facilities, and secure long-term leases or ownership. Nonprofit organizations are invited to apply for this funding, which is part of the San Francisco Nonprofit Sustainability Initiative, a multi-agency collaboration to address key challenges facing the nonprofit sector, including the high costs of real estate. Nonprofits that are eligible for the Nonprofit Sustainability Initiative grants may apply for support in the following four categories:

- **Acquisition:** $2.2 million to seed acquisition of newly nonprofit-owned space and incentivize philanthropic investment in space stabilization.
- **Relocation and Renovation:** $675,858 to mitigate the destabilizing impact of one-time costs for relocation or renovations necessary to extend a lease of three years or more.
• Community Cornerstones: $250,000 available for eligible organizations to support tenant improvements for nonprofit space at 100% affordable housing sites.

• Technical Assistances: Community Vision will build skills of nonprofits seeking to better understand and evaluate real estate opportunities, negotiate a lease, and secure real estate resources.

Nonprofits interested in applying for assistance can visit communityvisionca.org/sfsustainability for program details, eligibility guidelines, and to register for information sessions. Information sessions will take place on Thursday, December 3 at 5:00pm and on Wednesday, January 6 at 10:00am. Applications must be received by 12:00 pm, January 29, 2021 to be considered for awards.

Read the full Press Release here: https://sfmayor.org/article/mayor-london-breed-announces-31-million-grant-opportunities-nonprofit-organizations

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 -


Here for the New York Times’ Coronavirus Vaccine Tracker & Updates. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Monday outlined the four ethical principles that will guide decision-making on how vaccines, once approved, will be allocated

References
2. The San Francisco Chronicle Coronavirus Live Updates here