



May 13, 2021

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## **Community Update** By Luis Uribe, Building Department



#### Building Safety Month 2021: "Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save"

Building Safety Month is an international campaign that takes place in May each year to raise awareness about building safety. This campaign reinforces the need for the adoption of modern, regularly updated building codes, and helps individuals, families and businesses understand what it takes to create safe and sustainable structures. (International Code Council, www.iccsafe.org)

This year's campaign is also supported by Governor Newsom (click here to read Governor's Newsom's letter), encouraging "all of us to reflect on the important work of code officials to protect our homes, schools and other buildings – not only in response to times of crisis, but in ongoing planning for a safe and sustainable future."

The first building code dates back to 2200 B.C., the Code of the Hammurabi, king of the Babylonian Empire. Building codes have protected the public for thousands of years. The regulation of building construction in the United States dates back to the 1700s. Today, the International Codes, developed by the International Code Council (ICC) and adopted by our community, are the most widely used and adopted set of building safety codes in the United States.

Each year, ICC, its 64,000 members and professionals across the building safety landscape highlight the importance of building safety though proclamations, informational events, legislative briefings and more. "With society placing greater emphasis on safety within both public and private buildings, Building Safety Month is more relevant than ever in educating the public about the increasingly important role modern building codes play in keeping our homes and communities strong and resilient," said Code Council CEO Dominic Sims, CBO.

The weekly themes for Building Safety Month 2021 are:

- Week One (May 1-9): Energy & Innovation
- Week Two (May 10-16): Training the Next Generation
- Week Three (May 17-23): Water Safety

#### • Week Four (May 24-31): Disaster Preparedness

More information about Building Safety Month, including details regarding virtual events, can be found at www.buildingsafetymonth.org.

#### **COVID-19 INFORMATION**

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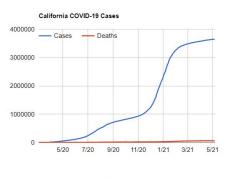
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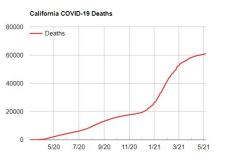
As of May 13, 2021, Cathedral City had a total of 7,135 confirmed COVID-19 cases (+5 since last week) and 111 reported deaths (+1 since last week). Other Coachella Valley cities are reporting the following:

Coachella 7,928 cases (+22), 97 deaths (+0) Desert Hot Springs 4,229 cases (+10), 73 deaths (+0) Indian Wells 197 cases (+1), 6 deaths (+0) Indio 12,326 cases (+32), 223 deaths (+0) La Quinta 3,434 cases (+8), 61 deaths (+0) Palm Desert 3,963 cases (+13), 118 deaths (+0) Palm Springs 3,750 cases (+13), 125 deaths (+0) Rancho Mirage 1,104 cases (+4), 50 deaths (+0)

Riverside County has reported 299,565 COVID-19 cases (+626), 4,594 deaths (+9), and 293,512 recovered cases (+672).



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# Emergency Preparedness Make & Take Event – June 5th

Join Councilmembers Rita Lamb and Nancy Ross along with the Cathedral City Fire Department for a Free Emergency Preparedness – Make and Take Event scheduled for Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at the Cathedral City Community Amphitheater, 68526 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City. Open to the first 25 Cathedral City households that attend, ... Read more.

## Cathedral City Rescinds Its Local Mask and Social Distancing Order to Align with State Orders

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Orders The City Council gave direction at Wednesday's council meeting to have the City's Emergency Services Director immediately rescind the Cathedral City's Emergency Order 3D regarding facial coverings and social distancing. It was expected to expire on June 30, 2021. The local rescission would align ... Read more.



### Many Cathedral City Households Could Get Up to \$50 in Monthly Credit for Spectrum Internet

Charter Communications, Inc., which serves Cathedral City, announced its participation in the

Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) \$3.2 billion Emergency Broadband Benefit

Program, part of the company's ongoing commitment to help close the digital divide. You may be eligible for a credit up to \$50 per month (up to \$75 for households on Tribal Lands) toward qualifying Spectrum Internet plans for ... Read more.

### "State of the City 2021" Happening on May 25th

Are you wondering what is going on at the former Sam's Club on Date Palm Drive or when the Ofelia Bringas Memorial Bridge on Cathedral Canyon Drive is going to be finished? Find-out this and more by watching the Virtual 2021 State of



the City hosted by the Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, May 25th at 10 ... Read more.



## CCHS Golden Lion Awards Night Will Be First Large Event at New Amphitheater

The City Council approved a Special Use Permit by the Cathedral City High School (CCHS) to hold its annual Golden Lion Awards Night at the new Cathedral City Community Amphitheater.

This will be the first, large event at the amphitheater since its opening earlier this year and the relaxation of COVID-19 guidelines. Please know that tickets are required in order ... Read more.

## Pfizer Vaccine Approved for Children Ages 12+

Children ages 12 and older are eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine starting Thursday, May 13, 2021 as the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued recommendations to allow its usage. This follows a Monday meeting where



the United States Food and Drug Administration authorized the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine for children aged 12 and older. On Wednesday evening, the ... Read more.

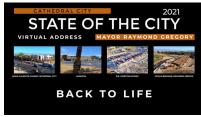
#### EVENTS



### Free PPE Equipment for Cathedral City Businesses, Workers, and Clientele

Do you operate a business in Cathedral City and want FREE PPE items, such as face coverings and hand

sanitizer for your employees, workers, or clientele? Thanks to Coachella Valley Economic Partnership (CVEP), Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce and the City of Cathedral City, PPE items will be available for pick-up at the Chamber Office: Every Wednesday ... Read more.



#### Virtual "State of the City"

Hosted by the Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce, Mayor Raymond Gregory will present a virtual "State of the City" on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 beginning at 10 am. You can view the live stream by going to

www.DiscoverCathedralCity.com and then clicking on the State of the City – Watch Now. The chamber will first conduct their business ... Read more.





Join Councilmembers Rita Lamb and Nancy Ross and the Cathedral City Fire Department for a Free

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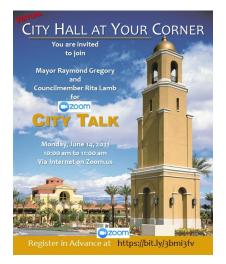
Open to the first 25 Cathedral City households that attend, this event will provid information on how to respond to an emergency, such as an earthquake, and wha items you will need in your preparedness kit during and after an emergency. Eac household will make their own free emergency kits to take home, thanks in part t



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### "City Hall at Your Corner" Happens June 14th – Register Now

Register now for May's virtual "City Hall at Your Corner" as Mayor Raymond Gregory and Councilmember Rita Lamb host the event for an informal discussion of issues in Cathedral City. This virtual event will take place on Monday, June 14, 2021 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am on Zoom.us. You must register for the event in advance at https://bit.ly/3bmi3fv. After ... Read more.



## Open House Tour of Cathedral City LGBTQ Night Clubs – June 21st to 26th

With COVID-19 restrictions being lifted on June 15th by the governor, the Cathedral City Gay Business Association (CCGBA) welcomes you back to Cathedral City. Please join them for a week-long Open House Tour starting on Monday, June 21, 2021 through Saturday, June 26, 2021. The Open House Tour is in celebration of National Pride Month. Enjoy \$4 Happy Hour ... Read more.



## "Coffee with the Chiefs" Scheduled for June 28 - Register Now

The City of Cathedral City is hosting a new event called, "Coffee with the Chiefs" that will provide an opportunity for the community to discuss issues about public safety in an

informal manner with our two public safety leaders. The conversation will include both Police Chief George Crum and Fire Chief John Muhr. In June, Fire Chief John Muhr ... Read more.



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