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District E Newsletter

A MESSAGE FROM TICK

Over the summer, I have diligently worked with with my fellow Commissioners and our public and private partners across the region to combat COVID-19. While we have much work to do to further expand testing, we have increased access to testing to the east side and Hispanic communities. We also launched the "Esta en Tus Manos" campaign, which raises awareness about COVID-19 within the Hispanic and Spanish-speaking communities.

We've also enacted much-needed economic relief programs, such as the CARES Housing Assistance Program and Clark County's small business grants. Additionally in order to help our smaller restaurants, last week we passed an emergency ordinance, which imposes a temporary, 15% cap on delivery fees on third-party food delivery services.



Throughout August and in the coming months, we will continue our work to protect our community as we battle COVID-19. Please continue wear your mask, wash your hands, and socially distance. We know that if we all take these actions, we will slow the spread of COVID-19 and save lives. As always, if you have any questions or need any assistance, please contact my office at (702) 455-3500 or DistECC@ClarkCountyNV.Gov.

Stay safe, Tick



COVID-19 TESTING

Testing Expanded to the East Side

Since May 5th, Clark County in partnership with the Health District, UMC, the Nevada National Guard, and local ambulance companies have conducted 125,925 COVID-19 tests at various locations throughout Southern Nevada.

While we are grateful for our testing efforts, I have continued to work with the County, CCSD, and other partners across the region to expand testing to the Hispanic community, which has been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.

Last month, in partnership with CCSD, we launched a series of testing events across the east side, and we plan to continue this throughout August.



Testing Site at Cashman Center



New COVID-19 Testing Location Cashman Center Opens on Tuesday, August 4th On August 4th, we launched a new-indoor testing facility at the Cashman Center, which will be open **Tuesday-Saturday**, **8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m**. Due to increased demand for testing, appointments are highly recommended. To schedule an appointment visit: <u>umcsn.com/COVID19</u>

While appointments are urged, a walk-up testing station will offer some tests each day to those who arrive on a first-come, first-served basis without appointments based on available supplies and staffing.

UMC and the CDC recommend a time- and symptom-based strategy to determine when patients can discontinue isolation precautions. As a result of this guidance, UMC will no longer provide unnecessary follow-up tests after a positive result.

To find all available testing locations, please visit: www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/covid-19-testing-sites



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"ESTA EN TUS MANOS"

Last month, the County launched the "Esta en Tus Manos" campaign to help slow the spread of COVID-19 within the Hispanic community. The campaign specifically targets Hispanic, Spanish-speaking, and/or historically underserved communities across Southern Nevada. The campaign utilizes PSAs, digital, radio, billboards, social media, and earned media to raise awareness about COVID-19, advertise testing sites, and market available resources for those impacted by COVID-19.

Since launching just one month ago, it has reached over 3 million people.





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RECENT EVENTS

Molasky Park Improvements



On July 9th, we hosted a ceremony at Molasky Park with Former Commissioner Chris Giunchigliani and staff from the Department of Parks & Rec to dedicate a new youth soccer field and improvements at Molasky Park. The park is located at 1065 East Twain. The .8acre youth soccer field includes two goal posts, new sod, and irrigation.

Other improvements include a new ornamental wrought iron fence at the perimeter of the park which replaced a wooden one.

Donation from the Mask Posse of Las Vegas



I want to thank the Mask Posse of Las Vegas, which donated 400 hand sewn masks for a testing event at Jerome Mack Middle School! In total, they have donated over 2,000 masks across the region.

We are all incredibly fortunate to have such a giving organization in our community, and these masks were a big hit at the testing site.

Thank you so much for your extremely generous donation!



15% Cap on Third Party Food Delivery Fees

During the pandemic, many of us have become much more reliant on delivery services for take out. Unfortunately, many of the fee structures for these services severely hurt smaller restaurants because the fees were simply too high and unsustainable.

Some delivery companies were charging as much as 30% delivery fees. As a result, I proposed a cap on these fees.



On August 4th, the Clark County Commissioners passed an emergency ordinance, which imposes a temporary, 15% cap on delivery fees and other service charges imposed on retail food establishments by third-party food delivery services. It also prohibits food delivery services from reducing compensation paid to drivers.

Ban on Housing Discrimination

Commissioner Jones introduced an emergency ordinance to ban housing discrimination based on source of income or prior evictions due to COVID-19. Last week, we approved this ordinance, and it is now a misdemeanor to violate it. To learn more, review the fact sheet below.

"SOURCE OF INCOME" HOUSING DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE PURPOSE The purpose of this issuance is to focus on "source of income" discrimination and provide clarifying guidance on how Clark County analyzes this particular type of housing discrimination. Hous discrimination is prohibited under the Federal Fair Housing Act (FHA). The following are now prohibited bases of discrimination:

Race

- Color
- National Origin
- Familial Status Disability
 Source of Income Eviction related to Covid-19
- Religion Sex
- WHAT DOES THIS ORDINANCE PROHIBIT?

It is now an unlawful discriminatory practice to deny, directly or indirectly, any individuals the full and equal enjoyment of housing, including the rental of a dwelling, services, facilities, and privileges, based on the legal source of income of the individual. It is also unlawful to deny any tenant equal access to the rental of a dwelling because they have a Covid-19 related eviction.

SOURCE OF INCOME DEFINITION

Clark County defines source of income as any lawful, verifiable source of income or housing assistance paid to or on behalf of a renter or buyer including, but not limited to monies from any legal occupati or activity, from any contract, agreement, loan or settlement, from any court-ordered payments such as child support, or from federal, state or local payments, including disability benefits, housing choice vouchers or any other rent subsidy or rent assistance program and related program requirements

Examples of legal sources of income:

- Short- and long-term rental subsidies
- Housing choice vouchers (Section 8) Emergency assistance payments
- Emergency assistance payments
 Social Security Supplemental Security

Income (SSI)

- Alimony Veteran's benefit
 - Disability benefits payments Housing Choice Vouchers

Unemployment insurance payme

WHAT CONSTITUTES SOURCE OF INCOME DISCRIMINATION?

Examples of inquiries/comments that may be evidence of discrimination include:

- "We don't take people on SSI."
- "Two years steady employment required."
 "Each roommate has to make three times the rent."
 "I've found that people on Section 8 don't fit in well here."
- "We don't give home loans unless you are employed full-time."
 "Even if you have a Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) you must make three times the full rent."
- "You were evicted two months ago because of covid-19, I don't rent to people with
- evictions."
 "Don't bother applying if you don't have a job."

Other policies/practices that may indicate source of income discrimination

- · Denying a rental application because of the applicants' partner's or family memb
- lawful source of income; Asking whether the opplicant is receiving any government assistance or Social Security and then denying the application
 Advertising apartments with the phrase "No Programs" or "No Section 8" included.
- Denying a rental application because a prospective tenant has a Covid-19 related
- evicion. Stating that the Ordinance doesn't apply to rent-controlled units (even though you were living there when the law went into effect. Stating that the Ordinance only applies to new Section 8 voucher holders not to existing tenants with vouchers.

Who does this NOT apply to?

- Shall not apply where a person owns and makes available for renting, wb-renting, leasing, or subleasing only a single unit, nor to a multiple-unit divelling of not more than two (2) divelling units where all least one (1) of the units 1 source-accepted.
 Shall not prohibit group homes, self-care elderly homes, special-care homes or other facilities whose use is restricted to the elderly or to individual with physical or mental
 - disabilities.
 - · Shall not apply to religious organizations or associations

BEST PRACTICES

Housing providers have a right to set financial and credit gualifications, a process that provides However, provider more frame or provide a good recent quantizations, a process must be portage some assurance that the applicant will be a good recent. Qualifications and inquiries must be applied equally to all applicants and must not be influenced by race, national origin, sex, source of income or other protected factors. Whatever qualifying screening artheria a landlord use, he or she should apply them equality to all applicants. When the indirad, broker, or owner screens a tenant during the application process, the landlord should carefully distinguish between legitimate questions about a tenant and discriminatory ones that violate fair housing law



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AVAILABLE RESOURCES

CARES Housing Assistance Program

The CARES Housing Assistance Program (CHAP) serves residents of Clark County who have suffered substantial financial hardship and now lack sufficient income or resources available to pay their housing costs because of the COVID-19 emergency or the response to that emergency.

Applicants must be current residents of Clark County, NV and must demonstrate how COVID-19 has impacted them. Anyone currently receiving a subsidy from another rental assistance program or living in public housing is ineligible.

The level of assistance is based on the availability of CARES Act grant funding, and each individual household assessment. Applications will be accepted until all funds are exhausted.

To learn more, visit: <u>helphopehome.org/clark-</u> <u>county-cares-housing-assistance-program/</u>

CARES HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

If any of the situations below apply to you, you might be eligible and should proceed with your application.



INCOME REDUCTION OR LOSS

People experiencing loss or reduction of income due to the effects of COVID-19



REDUCED HOURS OR LOSS OF JOB

People experiencing reduced hours at work or lost their job due to the effects of COVID-19

UTILITY AND HOUSING

PAYMENT DIFFICULTIES People who are delinquent with their housing or utility payments or is anticipating falling behind due to the effects of COVID-18

Clark County Small Business Grants



Given COVID-19's devastating economic impact on businesses, we have enacted the Small Business Rental Assistance Grant and the Small Business Protective Retrofit Grant.

Further information, details, and eligibility requirements for these grants can be found here: <u>clarkcountynv.gov/brc/Pages/</u> <u>Economic-Recovery.aspx</u>

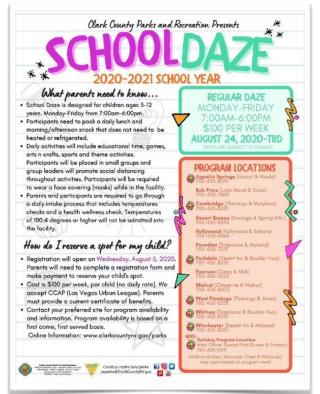
We are now accepting applications. The deadline to apply has been extended to **August 11, 2020.**



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UPDATES

Clark County's School Daze



With CCSD using distance learning due to COVID-19, Clark County has come up with ways to keep kids engaged. "School Daze" is for ages 5-12.

Program locations include, Cambridge, Hollywood, Paradise, Parkdale, Winchester, and other recreation centers.

The cost is \$100 per week per child. The program will run **Monday -Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.** beginning Aug. 24.

Registration is now open at clarkcountynv.gov/parks.

U.S. Census



The U.S. Census recently announced it will cease their operations a month early at the end of October. If you have not already completed your Census, please visit <u>my2020census.gov/</u> to complete it.

It is essential that every Nevadan is counted in the 2020 Census to ensure that the federal government funding meets our needs.

Marijuana Taxes & Fees



In Clark County, marijuana revenue increased substantially from fiscal year 2018-2019 at \$417,907 to **\$446,574,072 in fiscal year 2019-2020**. Likewise, licensing fees increased from fiscal year 2018-2019 at \$10,738,742 to **\$11,724,212 in 2019-2020**.

The extra revenue and fees will be extremely helpful in funding education and strengthening homeless programs during this uncertain economic time.



COUNTY RESOURCES



Constable's Office

Beginning July 6th, the Clark County Constable's Office will resume services for towing abandoned vehicles. To contact the Constable's office, please call: **(702) 455-4099**. You can also report tractor trailers to Code Enforcement.



Code Enforcement

You can Contact Code Enforcement for: short term rentals; animal control; illegal structures; issues with private properties; bright signs; tractor trailers parked in residential areas; and properties with boarded up windows. Call a **(702) 455-4191** or email PublicResponseInfo@ClarkCountyNV.gov



Business Licensing

If you are a business owner and have questions about reopening or starting a business, or if you are a concerned citizen and would like to report issues with a business, call Business Licensing at: (**702**) **455-4252**.



Public Works

Contact Public Works for: Potholes; issues with street lights or signs; questions about road construction; homeless in flood control channels, sidewalks or streets; or graffiti on public spaces (parks, streets, sidewalks, bridges, flood channels, or traffic lights. Call **(702) 455-6000** or email InTheWorks@ClarkCountyNV.gov.



Clark Connect

Clark County has a one-stop-shop for all complaints. Just register using an email and password at **ClarkConnect.ClarkCountyNV.gov** and send any issues relating to: Air quality/dust; animal/reptiles/insects; aviation; flood/ storm water; graffiti/trash/real property; neighborhood issues; parks & recreation; public safety; roads; transportation; building.



Southern Nevada Health District

If you have specific questions about COVID-19 you can call the Health District's info line at: **(702) 759-INFO (4636)**. Please note that if you have concerns about your health, please call your doctor first.

