

# City Manager Weekly Update

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members  
City Commissioners

**FROM:** Benjamin Siegel, City Manager

**DATE:** October 1, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Weekly Update

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**County of Orange Hosts Virtual Job Fair:** In partnership with a consortium of Orange County business chambers and organizations, the Orange County Board of Supervisors is hosting a free virtual job fair online on Thursday, October 15, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Residents seeking employment and businesses with job openings are encouraged to participate. Jobseekers will be able to access multiple employers on this online platform, providing for a greater opportunity for employment success with more than 70 employers anticipated to be in attendance representing a wide range of industries. Employers participating in the virtual job fair will be giving short presentations on their businesses, accepting resumés, interviewing prospective employees, and possibly hiring on the spot. Those who wish to participate in the Orange County virtual job fair will need a computer, cell phone, or tablet with internet access. For more information on how jobseekers and businesses can participate, visit <https://www.oconestop.com/jobfairs>

**2020 Voter Participation Opportunities:** This year, Election Day in Orange County will be more than a one-day event. Additional and convenient ways to participate are now available. All registered Orange County voters will receive a vote-by-mail ballot. Ballots may be mailed in or dropped off at any ballot drop box in the county. The San Juan Capistrano ballot drop box is located at La Sala Auditorium (31495 El Camino Real) and will begin accepting ballots on Monday, October 5. If you prefer to vote in person, registered voters may vote at any vote center in Orange County beginning October 30. For questions, plus a list of all county-wide drop boxes and vote center locations, please contact the Orange County Registrar of Voters [online](#) or at (714) 567-7600.

**Outdoor Playgrounds Now Open with Modifications:** This week, the California Department of Public Health issued updated [guidelines](#) which allow for outdoor playgrounds to reopen with modifications statewide. City staff has been working throughout the week on reopening procedures which include regular cleaning of our playground equipment and posting signage explaining the new guidelines. As of today, all City playgrounds are open for the community to enjoy. When visiting City playgrounds, please remember to wear a face covering, wash or sanitize hands before and after using the playground equipment, and maintain a physical distance of six feet from members of different households. We appreciate the community's patience during the state mandated playground closure, and we look forward to providing additional community programming as COVID-19 restrictions lessen.

**San Juan Capistrano CARES Rental Assistance Program:** To provide relief to residents of San Juan Capistrano that have experienced a loss of income due to COVID-19, the City has partnered with South County Outreach, a 501 (c)(3) organization dedicated to ending hunger and homelessness in South Orange County, to administer a rental assistance program. Up to three months' worth of rental assistance will be available to residents who meet the program eligibility criteria. Please see the attached flyer for additional information about the program, eligibility requirements, and instructions for completing the application.

**October 4 – 10 Mental Health Awareness Week:** As part of the statewide Each Mind Matters mental health awareness campaign, Mission Hospital, St. Joseph Hospital, and St. Jude Medical Center have launched the Promise to Talk campaign in Orange County. The campaign strives to reduce the stigma surrounding mental illness and facilitate pathways for open dialogue. Visit the Promise to Talk [webpage](#) for tools to start a conversation with friends and loved ones about mental illness and text "Promise" to 474747 to pledge to talk about mental health today.

**OCTA Multimodal Transportation Study Survey:** The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is conducting a transportation study that will consider transportation needs of residents, commuters, and visitors in South Orange County. The South Orange County Multimodal Transportation Study (SOCMTS) will identify improvements for all modes of transportation, including streets, bus and rail transit, highways and bikeways through the year 2045. Residents are encouraged to complete the online survey available to the public [here](#) and will be live through October 30. For more information, visit [www.octa.net/SouthOCStudy](http://www.octa.net/SouthOCStudy).

**Free Flu Vaccination Clinic:** In partnership with the Orange County Health Department and Supervisor Lisa Bartlett's office, the City will host a one-day walk-in flu vaccination clinic on Tuesday, October 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the San Juan Capistrano Community Center located at 25925 Camino Del Avion. This no cost clinic is available to adults age 18 and older. Seniors should be aware that this vaccination is a standard vaccination, not the higher dose typically recommended for seniors. Seniors who prefer the higher dose are encouraged to contact their physician or local pharmacy. Social distancing safety measures will be in place, including an outdoor check-in station and social distanced waiting area. Curbside service will also be available to accommodate mobility challenges. For additional information, please contact the Community Services Department at (949) 443-6380.

**Temporary Rail Service Suspension:** All rail service along the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo coastal rail corridor including Inland Empire-Orange County lines will be suspended for planned rail work from 11:00 p.m. Friday, October 2, through 4:00 a.m. Monday, October 5, as contractors for the Orange County Transportation Authority's "Passing Siding" Project continue to construct a new passing track. Please plan for potential traffic delays on Camino Capistrano and follow all construction signage and flaggers.

**UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS (*Tentative and Subject to Change*)**

**October 6, 2020**

- Plans and Specifications for Gateway Landscaping Project
- Options for Planning Commission Interview and Appointment Process

**October 20, 2020**

- Initiation Request for an *In-n-Out* Drive-thru Restaurant at the former Marie Callender's Location
- Initiation Request for Modifications to The Farm Residential Development
- Agreement with Watt Development to Purchase a 0.14 Acre Portion of City-owned Property (Tirador Residential Development)



# *San Juan Capistrano CARES* **Rental Assistance Program**

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## **Program:**

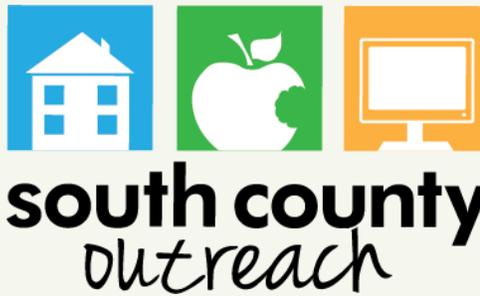
- **Up to three months' worth of rental assistance (\$2,300 per month limit)**
- **Assigned case manager to assist in application process**

## **Eligibility:**

- **Applicants must have an active lease and provide proof of residency in the City**
- **Applicants must have a valid photo ID**
- **Applicants must meet maximum income requirements (50% of area median income)**
- **Applicants must show documented loss of income due to COVID-19**
- **Applicants must show documented back-rent owed; assistance shall not exceed total amount of back-rent owed**
- **Additional documentation may be required**

## **Application:**

- **Call: South County Outreach at (949) 380-8144 ext. 209**
- **On-line: <http://www.sco-oc.org/programs/homeless-prevention/>**



# *San Juan Capistrano CARES*

## **Programa de Asistencia de Arrendamiento**

Para proporcionar asistencia financiera a los residentes de San Juan Capistrano que han sufrido una pérdida de ingresos debido a COVID-19, la ciudad se ha asociado con "South County Outreach" para ofrecer un programa de asistencia de arrendamiento. Hasta tres meses de asistencia estarán disponibles para los residentes que cumplan con los criterios de elegibilidad del programa. Comuníquese con "South County Outreach" hoy mismo para determinar la elegibilidad e iniciar el proceso de solicitud.

### Programa:

- Hasta tres meses de asistencia para la renta (límite \$2,300 por mes)
- Se asignó un administrador de casos para ayudar en el proceso de solicitud

### Idoneidad:

- Los solicitantes deben tener un contrato de arrendamiento activo y proporcionar prueba de residencia en la ciudad
- Los solicitantes deben tener una identificación con foto válida
- Los solicitantes deben cumplir los requisitos de ingresos máximos (50% de los ingresos medios de la zona)
- Los solicitantes deben comprobar pérdidas documentadas de ingresos debido a COVID-19
- Los solicitantes deben presentar los documentos adecuados de las rentas adeudadas; la asistencia no excederá el monto total de las rentas atrasadas adeudadas
- Es posible que se requiera documentación adicional

### Solicitud:

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