City Launches Accela Citizen Access — NEW Online Permit & Application Processing System

On March 15, the City of Huntington Beach launched Accela Citizen Access (ACA), an online permit and application processing system that’s available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

ACA is intended to provide valuable City services to our community, while making interactions with the City more efficient, convenient, and accessible. Services include:

- Permit, Planning, and Plan Check Applications
- Payment Processing
- Instant Inspection Scheduling
- Real Time Project Status
- Record Research (for records from 1996-2021)
- Code Enforcement Records Search

To begin accessing ACA today, visit the new ACA website at: https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/aca

Utilize the ACA Help Center for additional options and ask questions by visiting: https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/help-center/
COVID-19 Update: Orange County Returns to Red Tier

On Sunday, March 14, the State gave Orange County and 12 other counties the green light to transition from Purple Tier to the less restrictive Red Tier. This allows many more businesses to reopen or expand their indoor capacity while implementing safety modifications such as social distancing and mask wearing. Detailed reopening guidelines can be found on the State’s website.

Thus far, over 11 million doses have been administered throughout the State. Of that total, 2 million have been administered to some of California’s hardest hit communities, which has helped accelerate the County’s transition to Red Tier. The County is now eyeing a speedy transition to the Orange Tier, as COVID-19 positivity and case rates continue to decline. At its current pace, the County anticipates meeting all metrics to make the transition within a few weeks. For updates and details, visit us at HBready.com/reopen!

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**COVID-19 UPDATE: ORANGE COUNTY IN RED TIER**

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For details, visit www.HBReady.com/reopen

RED TIER

- 4-10 daily new cases (per 100k)
- 5-8% positive cases for entire county
- Less than 8.1% positive tests for healthy equity quartile
Find a Vaccination Site Near You

The COVID-19 Super POD (aka Othena) sites are not the only game in town! Several other facilities throughout the County are offering vaccines to eligible persons, free of charge. For direct links to each site’s appointment system and to determine if you’re eligible, visit HBReady.com/vaccine.

**COVID-19 VACCINE SITES IN ORANGE COUNTY**

Several facilities now offer vaccines to eligible people. To learn more, visit HBReady.com/vaccine.

**STATE AND COUNTY SITES**

- Super Point of Distribution (Othena)
- MyTurn by the State of California
- BlueShield of CA

**HOSPITALS/CLINICS**

- Alta Med
- UCI Health
- Providence
- MemorialCare
- Hoag Memorial Hospital
- Kaiser Permanente

**PHARMACIES**

- Albertsons
- CVS Pharmacy
- Pavilions
- Ralphs
- Rite Aid
- Walgreens

**ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?**

Vaccines are prioritized for the most at-risk adults, based on age or exposure. To determine if you are eligible, visit HBReady.com/vaccine.
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Public Information Office

Why the state's 80/20 payment for eligible households makes sense.

> 25% If you are a landlord who has been receiving 25% or more of your tenant’s monthly rent, up to 75% is still unpaid.

$ = 80% When you and your tenant participate, the state will pay 80% of unpaid rent, and would ask you to forgive the last 20%.

At least $ = 85% After reimbursement, you will have received at least 85% of total rents owed from the period.

How the 80/20 payment structure works.

Example rent: $1,000/month $12k In total rent owed

Example 1
- Tenant pays $3,000/25%
- State of California Pays 80% Unpaid Rent = $7,200
- Landlord forgives 20% in unpaid rent over the period = $1,800
- Total rent recovered by landlord = $10,200/85%

Example 2
- Tenant pays $6,000/50%
- State of California Pays 80% Unpaid Rent = $4,800
- Landlord forgives 20% in unpaid rent over the period = $1,200
- Total rent recovered by landlord = $10,800/90%

Participating in the COVID-19 Rent Relief effort gets rents paid, saves money on legal fees, and reduces uncertainty.

HousingIsKey.com
As part of Women's History Month, we're spotlighting Mary Masuda who demonstrated grit and grace during World War II.

The Masada’s were a family of 13 who lived on their farm in Talbert (present day Fountain Valley) and attended Huntington Beach High School. At the onset of World War II, Mary’s brothers joined the military while she and the rest of her family were forcibly incarcerated at a Japanese internment camp in Arizona.

During imprisonment, Mary was allowed to return to the Talbert farm and prepare it for her family’s return. However she was threatened by several men who told her that they were not welcome.

Still, this very young woman persevered and bravely stood her ground. These threats and her family's storied service to the U.S. Army became well known. Her brother, Sgt. Kazuo Masuda, was part of the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team who died while protecting his squad.

As such, the War Relocation Authority took steps to end these threats and ensure the Masada's rightful place in their home. Furthermore, a four-star general traveled 3,000 miles to present Kazuo's Distinguished Service Cross to the Masada's.

The medal was first presented to Mary as a tribute to her bravery. However, Mary turned and pinned the medal to her mother's dress after. Also in attendance that day was Army Captain Ronald Reagan who spoke in honor of Kazuo's sacrifice.

Decades later, it was clear that this memory stuck with Reagan when he became President of the United States. He recalled the ceremony, Mary's bravery, and the importance of celebrating our diversity - during the signing of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988.
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COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS MICRO GRANT PROGRAM

Application Period
Opens April 5, 8 AM
Closes April 12, 5 PM

The Program will distribute a limited number of $5,000 grants from the County of Orange to eligible Huntington Beach small businesses that have been financially impacted by COVID-19. Grants will be awarded by lottery and may be used to reimburse:

- Rent/lease payments
- Mortgage interest payments
- Utilities
- Personal protective equipment
- COVID-19 related operational and safety expenses

INFORMATIONAL WEBINARS
March 17th, 6 PM - About the Program
March 22nd, 2 PM - How to Apply

For more information and to apply visit: hbready.com/biz-grants/
In an effort to ensure our limited park space remains available for its intended uses, and our precious open wildland areas are protected from environmental damage, on March 10, the Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) Homeless Task Force carried out a clearing operation in partnership with the Orange County Sheriff’s Department and the Orange County Parks in Harriet Wieder Park and the Bolsa Chica Conservancy. Responding to increased wetland pollution, unlawful fires, litter, and other criminal activity such as drug use and possession of stolen property, the Huntington Beach Police Department’s Homeless Task Force made frequent trips into the park over the course of two weeks to provide resources and to advise those unlawfully dwelling in these sensitive areas of their unlawful activity. Additionally, our HBPD homeless case managers, outreach workers from the Orange County Health Care Agency, and medical personnel from Cal-Optima made trips into the park to further assist in these efforts.

On the day of the clearing, it was found that many of the occupants had chosen to leave on their own and only one encampment remained occupied. Despite the repeated efforts to provide resources and shelter opportunities for the occupants of this remaining encampment, the occupants were ultimately arrested for various charges including trespass and drug related charges.

Once the encampments were clear of occupants, OC parks and Public Works dedicated their time to clean up the area. The clean-up effort took more than a day, and in addition to filling up more than one 40 cubic yard dumpster, a large amount of property is being stored for safekeeping, should its owners desire to claim it. Through teamwork and perseverance, all agencies involved were able to successfully reduce the trash accumulation and improve the overall safety and quality of Harriet Wieder Park. The Huntington Beach Police Department is grateful for all the agencies that were involved in this enforcement operation.
2021 Lifeguard Requalification

In preparation for the 2021 summer season, the Marine Safety Division began the process of the annual recertification of all recurrent ocean lifeguards who will return this summer. Over 150 lifeguards will cycle through the training that will include Emergency Medical training, CPR recertification, and water rescue skills review.

2021 Marine Safety Harbor Deployment

Last Saturday, the Marine Safety began the incremental return to Huntington Harbor for the 2021 season. While on patrol on Sunday March 14, the crew assigned to the Rescue Vessel found a family of four in a kayak and in distress as they were struggling against a changing tide and winds in the late afternoon. The crew was able to bring the family on board the Rescue Vessel and return them safely to the beach without any injuries.
The third full week in March is National Poison Prevention Week, a week dedicated to raising awareness to poison control centers and the Poison Help Hotline (1-800-222-1222). This year National Poison Prevention Week will be March 21-27, 2021.

Each year, more than 90 percent of exposures reported to local poison control centers occur in the home. Here are some ways you can keep your home poison-safe.

**Be Prepared for a Poison Emergency**

Put the Poison Help number, 1-800-222-1222, in your mobile phone. You can also text POISON to 797979 to save the number in your mobile phone. Calls are free, confidential, and answered by experts, 24/7/365.

**Practice Safe Storage Habits**

The following items should be stored up, away, and out of sight of children, and in their original containers. Alternatively, keep these substances in cabinets secured with child-resistant locks. Keep in mind that there is no such thing as a 100-percent child-proof lock or container.

- All medicines and pharmaceuticals, including over-the-counter medicines, prescription medicines, vitamins, and supplements
- Tobacco and e-cigarette products, especially liquid nicotine
- Alcohol
- Laundry and cleaning supplies
- Pesticides and insect repellents
- Button batteries, such as those found in musical greeting cards, key fobs, etc.
- Any type of oil or lubricant, including fragrance oils, tiki torch oils, engine oil, etc.
- Personal care products, especially contact lens disinfectants and hand sanitizers
- Other chemicals
- Read and Follow Labels and Directions

(Continued on next page)
Poison Prevention Week (con’t)

Make a habit of reviewing the label on any potentially hazardous substance or product prior to use, especially before administering medicines. Take care to follow usage directions, as well as instructions for safe storage and disposal. Call your local poison control center at 1-800-222-1222 if you have any questions about the directions.

Detect Invisible Threats

To protect your family, install carbon monoxide detectors in your home. Carbon monoxide is a colorless and odorless gas that can lead to severe illness and even death. Most carbon monoxide exposures occur during the winter months or during power outages.

We ask that you take a just a few minutes out of your day and go over these simple steps to keep your home poison-safe. To learn more information about home fire safety, please visit https://aapcc.org.
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Access Senior Services for Yourself or a Loved one

The Senior Center at Central Park offers an array of services, including transportation, care management, recreation classes, and meal deliveries for homebound seniors. Learn more by calling the Senior Center's general information line at (714) 536-5600 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. For details, visit https://hbcoa.org.
Edison Community Center Rehabilitation

The Edison Community Center is having a ribbon cutting ceremony this weekend! Please note that this event is invitation only and is not open to the public.

Newland / Slater Traffic Signal

Traffic signals have been prepared for implementation at the intersection of Newland and Slater. Traffic wires were installed through conduits in preparation for signal activation. The project is scheduled to be completed in March.
Goldenwest / Heil Traffic Signal

The traffic signal’s new left turns have been installed on Goldenwest and Heil. The contractor will be adding bike loops, bike legends, and new signage this week. The project will be completed this week.

Sunset Beach Water Main Replacement

Water main work has been completed for the Sunset Beach portion with alley restoration this week. The Contractor will continue to complete restoration on PCH and will begin working on the downtown alley water line installation between 12th and 13th street and between Pecan and Acacia Avenue. This project is scheduled to be completed in May.

Saybrook Sewer Lift Station

The sewer lift station on Saybrook and Heil is being reconstructed. Street pavement and striping were recently restored, which will allow for the return of two-way traffic flow. Major excavation work for the lift station will now take place behind the fenced-off area, which is set to begin in March. The project is scheduled to be completed this fall.
Zone-3 ADA Curb Ramps

A total of 75 new ADA-compliant curb ramps have been installed to date. This project is on track to install a total of 238 new ramps in the Zone-3 maintenance area. Project completion is slated for May 2021.

Arterial Rehabilitation Project – Newland, Brookhurst, Garfield, Atlanta

The contractor mobilized this past week on Newland by conducting tree removals and sidewalk panel saw cuts. This work will replace lifted and damaged sidewalk panels with a compliant, smooth path of travel on both sides of this segment of Newland. These streets will be in construction through this summer.
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Mayor's Corner

Mayor Kim Carr actively participated in March 13 Arbor Day festivities in Central Park with the Huntington Beach Tree Society. The socially distanced group planted another tree in the southwest area of Central Park.

In addition, Mayor Carr volunteered at Edison High School for the drive-thru grocery distribution with more than 700 food boxes distributed. The event was coordinated by amazing and tireless volunteers from Saddleback Church and OC Board of Supervisors - District 2. Special thanks to Huntington Beach Union High School and the City of Huntington Beach for getting the word out to the residents.

Slater Sewer Lift Station

This project replaces an existing outdated sewer lift station that will add reliability and capacity. Currently the base of the station is being built. This project is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2021.
East Garden Grove-Wintersburg Channel Improvement Project:

Construction of Flood Channel Improvements Starting in October

WHAT

Construction crews will begin major improvements along the section of flood control channel in Huntington Beach to improve flood control protection for your community. The improvements will modernize the channel to current design standards, increase channel capacity for controlling stormwater and meet national flood insurance requirements.

The channel will be transformed from its current “trapezoid” shape with sloped sides to a rectangular channel with vertical sides. The project will include:

- Installation of long sections of vertical, interlocking steel (sheet piles) that form a continuous wall used to enhance flood protection (two rows on each side of the channel)
- Construction of a durable barrier by mixing cement into the soil between the two rows of sheet piles
- Use of large equipment, including a crane and specialized equipment to greatly reduce noise and vibration compared to standard equipment
- Construction of water quality improvements along the fence line

WHEN

Anticipated Schedule:  Mid-October — Spring 2022
Monday—Friday
7:00 am—7:00 pm

Occasional Saturday work as needed. Schedule subject to change depending on weather and other factors.

Construction activities will move along the project area in phases as various activities are completed.

Your safety is our top priority! Please stay out of the project area and observe all project safety signs, barriers and personnel.

Do you want to receive updates via e-mail? Send an e-mail to ProjectInfo@ocpw.ocgov.com with “Flood Channel Updates” in the subject line to be added to our e-mail list.

WHERE

Legend

Construction Sequencing

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Youth Services – Children’s Programs

March is Women’s History Month, and the Children’s Library is ready to help spread the word about the many impressive accomplishments of women all over the world. Included are books for all ages – Picture Books for ages 3-7, chapter books about Leading Ladies for ages 5-8, and Fearless Females for ages 9-12. Also available are some online resources to explore as a family, including “7 ideas for teaching Women’s History Month”. For more information, go to https://hbpl.libguides.com/kids/womenshistory.

Registration for the library’s popular annual Fancy Nancy Tea Party To Go Kits (new for this year due to COVID social distancing rules) will open on Saturday, April 24, at noon. This year’s “to go bags” will be filled with supplies and snacks for two people to craft, play, and dine, all while celebrating the beloved Fancy Nancy picture book series by Jane O’Connor. Kits will include materials to make a pearl charm bracelet and host an at-home pirate’s treasure scavenger hunt – among other things! Proceeds from this annual fundraiser will go towards the library’s annual children’s Summer Reading Program, happening this year between June 19 and July 31. Bags can be picked-up on May 6-8, 2021, and are available for $10 per kit (serves 2). All those interested are invited to check back on the children’s webpage at https://hbpl.libguides.com/kids/home/ during the month of April for more information and to register.
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Youth Services – Teen Programs

Teen and Tween May Book Box Registrations open on April 1, at 9 a.m. For anyone who wanted to subscribe to those popular boxes like Owlcrate or Lootbox but didn’t want to pay the crazy monthly fee, the Teen Space at the Huntington Beach Public Library has the perfect solution! Each month, these free Book Boxes will contain a library book hand-picked to match the specific reading preferences of both kids in grades 4-8 (tween) and 9-12 (teen). Also included is a bunch of themed goodies, such as stationery, candy, snacks, or other fun items - each month is a new theme and a new surprise! Registration for the May Book Box is open from April 1 to April 15. For more information and to register, go to hbpl.libguides.com/teens/bookbox.

Adult Services Department

The next online Central Library Book Club will take place on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 from 7 to 8 p.m. This library-sponsored book club takes place on the first Tuesday of every month and is for adults ages 18 and up. This month’s featured title is Big Lies in a Small Town, by Diane Chamberlain. Join other bibliophiles for a discussion of this work of historical fiction, which features two separate individuals being charged with the task of painting and restoring the mural for the post office in the same small town -- almost 80 years apart. What did Anna Dale discover about her town? What clues did she leave on the mural under layers of lies and grime for Morgan Christopher to discover in 2018? To register, please click https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7326138.
The Friends of the Huntington Beach Library are pleased to present the next virtual author talk in this popular series. The featured author on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 4:00 pm, will be New York Times and USA Today Bestselling Author Elizabeth Hoyt. She will discuss the second novel in her Greycourt series, When a Rogue Meets His Match, featuring her captivating characters and sensual romance. How can a marriage of convenience withstand the test of time when the bride desires her freedom? Hear from the author AND ask questions for insights into her current work and future writing plans, her writing process and even her personal life! Join from the comfort of home via Zoom. To register, visit https://bit.ly/3tDbPOG or click on the icon below.
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Spring 2021 Classes at the Art Center

Huntington Beach Art Center offers a wide range of fine art classes for youth and adults taught by professional artists. In a multidisciplinary educational approach, classes include instruction in drawing, painting, watercolor, oil, acrylic, photography, as well as a variety of dance classes for youth and adults. All classes are subject to change. Check our website for updates at www.huntingtonbeachartcenter.org. Online registration is highly encouraged, and is available now for all classes. Enrollment for in-person sessions begins 14 days prior to the start date of that class. Enroll online at www.HBSands.org.

The Art Center reopened to the public on Tuesday, March 16 — just in time for the public to view the final week of this year’s Centered on the Center exhibit! For more information, and to make a reservation, please call the center at 714-374-1650.
MAYOR’S EXCELLENCE AWARD

Laura Jenkins

Library Services Clerk

Nominated for her bright and heartwarming personality as well as her dedication towards her job, Laura always puts her heart and passion into all that she does.
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INTERNATIONAL SURFING MUSEUM

SURFIN' SUNDAYS

CONCERT SERIES

PIER PLAZA IN HB

2020 SCHEDULE
MARCH 7-8
MAY 30-31
JUNE 27-28
JULY 18-19
AUGUST 22-23
SEPTEMBER 26-27

CONCERT SERIES ARE ON SUNDAYS
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