Mayor encourages Temple City residents to take measures to flatten COVID-19 curve

July 9, 2020

As we soon enter the fourth month of the coronavirus pandemic, it’s fair to say things have been interesting. A few months ago, we began to see the gradual reopening of businesses and other amenities, signaling a slow return to normalcy. But as reported COVID-19 cases continue to spike statewide and across the county, we began to see the importance of first responders while supporting local restaurants, Transtech Engineers developed a First Responders Appreciation Initiative with the Temple City Chamber of Commerce and other local Chambers of Commerce. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of first responders and their tireless service to communities. Knowing that many businesses have been severely impacted during this difficult time and wanting to find a way to show their appreciation to first responders while supporting local restaurants, Transtech Engineers developed a First Responders Appreciation Initiative. Collaborating with the Temple City Chamber of Commerce and other local Chambers of Commerce, the Transtech Engineers team identified member restaurants that could accommodate take-out orders adhering to public health guidelines, to deliver a wide variety of meals to local heroes. Transtech Engineers, a municipal engineering company founded in 1969, is a proud member of the Temple City Chamber of Commerce and an active community presence in the City of Temple City, most recently teaming up with the Temple City Youth Committee to host a Traffic Engineering Workshop and collaborate together for school safety.

Continuing their appreciation for the community through their First Responders Appreciation Initiative, Transtech Engineers thanked the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department - Temple Station and the Los Angeles County Fire Department - Station No. 47 with delicious meal deliveries from Temple City Chamber of Commerce member restaurants El Ruizenor Grill and Rose Donuts.

"It is this generosity of spirit that exemplifies why Transtech Engineers were honored with the Temple City Chamber’s highest honor, Outstanding Community Leader, last year at our annual Awards dinner," said Chamber President Peter Choi. "And we were excited to join them in saluting those LA County First Responders with sincere appreciation for keeping our community safe."

"Thank you to all the dedicated and hard working First Responders of both the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department - Temple Station and Los Angeles County Fire Department - Station No. 47 for all you do for our communities."

Most likely, if behaviors don’t change.

Along with 22 other counties statewide (there are 58 counties in California), Los Angeles County is on the state’s “watch list” as cases, hospitalizations and deaths reach record numbers. Statistics released earlier this week tallied 120,000 reported cases and 3,500 deaths countywide. Recent data for Temple City revealed 33 coronavirus-related deaths and almost a 10% increase in reported cases (280) over the past few weeks.

If this trend continues, the state could impose further restrictions on Los Angeles County business and other amenities within a matter of days, a decision beyond the City’s control. So, please do your part to help “flatten the curve” and restore the economy. Wear a face mask in public settings, continue physical distancing, avoid large gatherings and stay home if you’re experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.

These guidelines apply not only to our seniors, but our young adults as well.

All this isn’t to say we don’t understand the irreparable value of human interaction. The pandemic has unleashed changes that seemed unthinkable just a few months ago, the idea of “going virtual” among them. With public health protocols often presenting in-person experiences, many of us now rely on these guidelines.

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August 8 & 9, 2020 Sat & Sun
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(9am – 4pm)

For more information on the E-Waste collection event, please contact Temple City Chamber of Commerce at (626) 286-3101 or www.templecitychamber.com.

Proof of California Residency Required!
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Establish power of attorney now to prevent delays later

By Allyson S. Heller

In a world where many of us have Coronavi-

rus related fears, a power of attorney is more im-

tor than ever, espe-

cially if a person becomes incapacitated.

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enables the document to

remain in effect, even if

the principal becomes

incapacitated. The docu-

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make financial decisions

on the principal’s behalf,

until the principal dies.

While powers of attor-

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larly to elderly individuals

by people looking to take

advantage of them, there

are also significant ben-

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drafted, comprehensive

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servatorship
• Makes clear the prin-

cipal’s wishes and avoids

disagreements among

family members

• Prevents delays in as-

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Apply color, designs, texture to walls to upgrade your space

Everyone likes to upgrade their wardrobe once a while. It refreshes our look and positively our psychology.

Why not apply this idea to the walls of our houses in which we spend most of our day?

Fashion and interior design are similar in their goals but one focuses on humans and the other on buildings.

Changing the color of the walls is not as easy or less expensive as changing a shirt. Therefore, we need to think carefully and make a good decision.

If you have good taste and trust your judgement when it comes to choosing colors or mixing and matching materials, then go ahead and apply this skill to decorating your house as well.

There are different options for wall coverings including: paint, brick, natural stone, wall paper, and wall panels.

Using paint to brighten and change the look of the walls is the least expensive method.

If the walls are large, consider using contrasting colors and wall paper.

An advantage of using wall paper is the endless options of pattern and color. Also, application is very easy.

Using a wood covering with paint on top is a wonderful option depending on the look you are trying to achieve.

If done right, the final look is fantastic. Before you make your wall covering decisions and move forward with construction, I strongly recommend having someone prepare colored renderings of your rooms. It will be such a hassle to change it if you are not satisfied with the final look.

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New videos and interactive events weekly and for all ages: https://lacountylibrary.org/virtual-programming/

While the library is physically closed to the public, staff members are always available via phone, email, or chat to provide reference assistance.

Whimsical paintings can be added to make a child’s room more fun and appealing.

Keep your space warm and cozy with traditional brick.

A textured white wall provides a modern touch.

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From homeless to shelter and employment: Temple City Coalition, community help woman regain independence

A homeless grandmother’s journey

The Temple City Coalition (TCC) first met Jeannie (not her real name) and her 4-year-old grandson, whom she has raised since birth, on a rainy night in November 2017 at a motel in South El Monte. Their two-day stay, provided by Volunteers of America (VOA), was ending and Jeannie called Temple City Coalition for help. TCC offered to help Jeannie navigate housing programs.

The immediate challenge was temporary housing. Donations provided more motel nights. Soon thereafter, VOA agreed to take Jeannie into their permanent housing program, pay for move-in expenses and subsidize the rent for several months.

Finding a landlord to accept Jeannie was difficult because of the absence of a credit and job history. An apartment manager in El Monte agreed to give Jeannie a chance. TCC quickly arranged for furniture donations. As a result, Jeannie and her grandson celebrated Christmas in a home, their own apartment.

Then, unexpectedly, Jeannie was gifted a donated car. Next, Jeannie received a job offer, although she had not worked since 2005.

When VOA support ended, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP), St. Luke Conference, continued the rent subsidy.

Today, Jeannie has a working car, a better apartment, a new job, and bank account. She continues to care for her grandson and credits her faith for redemption from her old life, a history of early pregnancy, unfinished high school, gangs, drugs, prison time, and homelessness.

TCC and SSVP accompanied Jeannie on her journey and continue to advocate for those in need of help. For information, phone 626-286-3129.

This story was published with the consent of Jeannie, whose name has been changed to protect her privacy.

Playfactory Preschool celebrates one year Outdoor Classroom anniversary

Playfactory Preschool is excited and honored to celebrate one year of being an Outdoor Classroom Project site.

As an Outdoor Classroom Project site, Playfactory is part of a growing community of strong supporters of Outdoor Classrooms due to the many benefits to children.

They are set up so each child is able to explore and learn at her/his own pace to meet the Goals and Objectives of Creative Curriculum.

The schools provide children a warm, comfortable non-competitive place to learn about themselves, other people, and the world around them. Playfactory Preschool was established in 1973.

Deadline Aug. 17 for SBA disaster loans for property damage from civil unrest

Director Tanya N. Garfield of the U.S. Small Business Administration’s Disaster Field Operations Center-West reminds California businesses and residents of the Aug. 17 deadline to apply for an SBA federal disaster loan for property damage caused by the civil unrest in Los Angeles County that began May 26.

Businesses of all sizes, most private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters may apply for SBA federal disaster loans to repair or replace damaged property.

SBA can also lend additional funds to help with the cost of improvements to protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future.

Low-interest federal disaster loans are available in Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino and Ventura counties. Businesses may borrow up to $2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory and other business assets.

SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private nonprofit organizations of any size to help meet working capital needs caused by unrest. Economic injury assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage.

The deadline to apply for an SBA economic injury disaster loan is March 17, 2021.

Disaster loans up to $200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate. Homeowners and renters are eligible for up to $40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property.

Interest rates can be as low as 3 percent for businesses, 2.75 percent for private nonprofit organizations and 1.25 percent for homeowners and renters with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by SBA and are based on each applicant’s financial condition.

More information is available at https://disasterassistance.sba.gov or phone SBA Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may phone 800-877-8339. Completed applications should be mailed to U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.
Congratulations to Temple City High School 2020 Graduates

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Tiffany Hsieh
Jude Hodson
Matthew Hoang
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Chun Cheuk Ho
Federico Hernandez
Kate Hernandez-Tanaka
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Cacau Guzman
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Metro seeks innovative ideas to reduce waste streams at Aug. 13 webcast.

The public is invited to help create a resilient future by joining Metro’s series of online conversations on resiliency concepts and solutions that will help reduce waste streams, like their Banners to Bags Program.

Metro is hosting an online industry forum on upcycling, from 2-3 p.m., Aug. 13. Space is limited. Register now.

Copy and paste this url into your browser: https://metro77073.activehosted.com/VQ3

Travel around Los Angeles County and you’ll probably seen a Metro banner created to promote Metro projects, alerting people to construction sites or new programs. The banners are made of materials strong enough to withstand Los Angeles’ harsh sunshine. But what happens to the banners when they’re no longer needed?

Under the two-year-old Banner to Bags program, instead of being dispatched to the landfill, Metro is turning them into reusable tote bags as part of Metro’s sustainability efforts.

"By turning these banners into bags, Metro is able to reduce the environmental impacts from the extraction and transport of materials, avoid vinyl waste in our landfills and impacts to air, land and water quality. This is one small way that Metro is innovating solutions that make LA County a more sustainable place to live," said Chief Sustainability Officer Cira Liban. In addition, Metro can purchase fewer new items to give away at public events. Employees and contractors contact Metro when they have used vinyl, and each bag takes approximately 15 to 30 minutes to produce. As of this time, Metro has created more than 10,000 bags. Metro is also looking into expanding the program to include other materials to continue to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfills.

Members of the public interested in zero waste, resiliency, or partnering with Metro are invited to join an upcycle webcast, Aug. 13.

Share ideas and solutions to help shape this project by identifying materials in the current waste stream that could be repurposed or upcycled, which diverts materials from operations and construction projects going to landfill.

RSVP by Aug. 6 and email questions to: cris.liban@metro.net.

Metro Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Department, Hall Bovia, BoviaH@metro.net.
Temple City residents urged to use virtual services
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video conferencing and web streaming for connection and entertainment. We’re taking a similar approach with our summer concert series on the City’s social media platforms and providing an interactive, web-based youth day camp. While things will feel a little different this year, our goal is to provide the Temple City community with engaging and fun learning opportunities safely at home.

For more information on our growing virtual offerings, call 626-579-0461 or visit templecity.us/coronavirus.

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Summer Concert Series
To improve our summer concert series, I’ve asked the creative minds behind our neighborhood watch to provide musical entertainment. We’re taking a similar approach with our summer concert series. While scenes may be different this year, our goal is to provide Temple City with engaging and fun learning opportunities safely at home.

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Visitors will need to take a non-invasive temperature check and report any coronavirus symptoms before entering the building; they will also be required to wear a face covering and maintain physical distancing at all times. With this limited reopening, the public is encouraged to continue accessing City services online or by phone.

While the pandemic remains in flux, holidays and anniversaries continue to remind us that time does, and will, go on. Recently, our community would have celebrated its 60th anniversary of cityhood. This has brought back memories of our 50th anniversary, when many displayed lawn signs across town proudly proclaiming to be 50-plus-year residents of Temple City. Today, one is more likely to see lawn signs giving thanks and showing deep appreciation for our first responders as well as offering supportive reminders that we’ll get through this together. I remain confident that Temple City will emerge an even stronger, closer-knit community of residents who continue to stand as one.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 626-285-2171, ext. 4111 or email tcmayor@templecity.us. I also encourage you to visit templecity.us/coronavirus for updates, fact sheets and resources.

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