

**Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Custody Division
COVID-19**

Custody Division is taking every necessary precaution to keep our personnel safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. In late February 2020, Assistant Sheriff Chase along with custody executives including CHS (Correctional Health Services) developed strategic plans as well as contingencies in the event the pandemic spread throughout the jails.

The following bullet points have been key drivers in reducing the spread of COVID-19 to custody personnel as well as our inmate population.

Reducing the Jail population

- Our initial efforts began on 02/28/20, at which time our jail population was 17,076
- Our population as of this morning was 12,800
- A reduction to date of 4,276 inmates or 25%

Providing education and awareness to custody personnel about COVID-19

- Briefings
- Emails
- Training Videos

Additional medical screening in booking / IRC / CRDF

- New booking medical questionnaire for all county arrests
- Based on statements and symptoms will determine housing location (medical isolation or quarantine)

Quarantine / Isolation

- Inmates with positive COVID-19 test results or awaiting test results will remain in an isolation cell.
- Inmates who have had contact or been exposed to an inmate who is suspected to have COVID-19 or awaiting test results will remain in quarantine.

Custody Division order for Temperature Testing

- Anyone entering a Custody Operations facility at the beginning of their shift, or coming in to conduct any business at any time, is required to check and monitor their temperature prior to entering, and again after leaving for the day.
- In the event the employee has a temperature of 100.4 or higher, the employee will not be permitted to remain in the facility, and shall be instructed to contact their supervisor.

Employees who test positive for COVID-19

- In most cases, the employee will be directed to self-quarantine at home
- Employee can return to work once they are cleared by their healthcare provider or DPH

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PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)

- Custody Directive on wearing a mask (N95, surgical mask, duster)
- Custody personnel shall wear full PPE when assigned to a module with positive COVID-19 inmates.
- CRDF producing facial covering for employees and inmates.

Cleaning

- Custody Division has installed hand sanitizing stations throughout the facilities since March 4, 2020.
- Extra cleaning crews have been assigned to clean and disinfect administrative areas as well as housing areas inside security.

Social distancing

- Custody personnel are following social distancing directives in custody
- Keeping six feet apart when applicable
- Limiting the number to no more than (4) to an elevator
- Wearing masks in large groups
- Open sally ports during shift change to avoid large groups in a confined space (Unit Commander's discretion)