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**CADRE Inter-Agency COVID-19 Coordination Meeting #17**  
**October 12, 2020 10:00am to 11:30am**

**Next Meeting – Monday, November 9 10:00am to 11:30am**

Click here to register for [next month's meeting](#)

**Links**

[County Public Health Order Website - Business Call Center & FAQ](#)

[Social Distancing Protocol Website - Searchable Database of Resources](#)

Santa Clara County Fairgrounds [Free Flu Shots](#)

[Second Harvest/Meals for Kids Website - Map of Distribution Locations for Grab-n-Go Meals](#)

[Sacred Heart Website - Homelessness Prevention System Program Info Regarding COVID-19](#)

**1) Welcome and Introductions**

Marsha Hovey opened the meeting as Chair of CADRE's Board of Directors. Anna Swardenski provided a few housekeeping notes how to enable the captioning service from Otter AI, and shared the meeting objectives – the 4C's of VOAD Communication, Coordination, Cooperation and Collaboration. Quick overview of the meeting agenda provided and instructions for how to provide input to the meeting via the zoom chat box or by email to the CADRE Duty Officer for phone-only participants.

**2) Situation Reports from Government and Countywide Efforts**

**County Situation Report – Brian Darrow, County Liaison for COVID-19 Recovery**

As of Saturday (10/9/2020), there are a total of 22,355 COVID-19 cases in the county (a little more than 1.1% of the total population) with an unfortunate 357 deaths. The 7-day rolling average is at about 99 new cases per day with a gradual decline since mid-July with death numbers increasing slightly in response to the previous case hike. The county is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> tier (red tier) in the state framework which means that K-12 schools can open for in-person classes, with the hope being that the county would move into the 3<sup>rd</sup> tier (orange) as soon as this week. (Note: County did move to Orange Tier). Tiers are updated every Tuesday by the state where, in order to advance to the next tier, you have to meet the metrics for that tier for 2 consecutive weeks and your most high risk communities within the county are themselves safe enough to move forward into the new tier. Santa Clara County has met those guidelines, hence the expectation that the 3<sup>rd</sup> tier is coming.

The Health Officer issued a revised risk reduction order which does not go into effect until the day after the county enters the orange tier (the 3<sup>rd</sup> tier). In general, this order will allow businesses and activities to resume like opening indoor gyms, retail stores, shopping malls, hotels, and museums to a higher capacity than they are currently at, if open at all. More importantly, the county, because of its unique efforts, would be allowed to have indoor dining and gatherings in the orange tier, which are criteria currently reserved for the red tier, as long as there are restrictions to either 25% capacity or no more than 100 people, whichever is fewer. Another change due to this order, is that **all businesses, nonprofits, and government entities must submit a new [social distancing protocol](#)** that follows the new rules, which they will have 14 days to submit after the order goes into effect. However, it's important to note that just because an activity is open, doesn't mean it's safe and there is continued effort to minimize the amount of interactions that the public is having with one another to limit the spread.

There is a renewed effort to prioritize testing, as it is a foundational resource to fight the spread of the virus. There is a [searchable map of COVID-19 testing sites and a contact tracing website](#) and there are various partners who are offering their facilities to testing. One new location is at Emmanuel Baptist Church (at 467 N. White Road, San Jose, CA 95127) open from 11:00am to 5:30pm Tuesdays through Fridays. The Fairgrounds are also giving free flu shots every Saturday through mid-December in the Expo Hall, which we are urging the public to take advantage of so we do not have dueling pandemics this season.

**State Situation Report – Katrina Palomar (Housing Taskforce Lead), CalOES Voluntary Agencies Liaison**

Santa Clara was included in the FEMA Individual Assistance Declaration and FEMA has approved the request to extend the deadline for wildfire relief. The new deadline is November 21<sup>st</sup> and please encourage others to register for FEMA, if they are in need.

The county decided to open a Local Assistance Center for one week and today is the last day. Though it closed today, there are other resources still available including the waiving of fees for DMV vital records.



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**FEMA Region XI Situation Report** – *Colleen Zaremba, Voluntary Agencies Liaison*

The registration deadline for Disaster Unemployment Assistance has been extended to November 30<sup>th</sup> applicant briefings scheduled for October 13<sup>th</sup> (9:00am to 12:30pm) and October 15<sup>th</sup> (1:00pm to 4:30pm). As of right now, there have been 660 registrations in Santa Clara County.

**City of San Jose COVID-19 Recovery Planning** – *Andrea Flores-Shelton, Community & Economy Recovery Branch Director*

[Due to it being a holiday for the City of San Jose, Anna read out Andrea's written update.] There was a release of non-profit grants with awards ranging from \$5,000 to \$150,000. Applications will be accepted via the city's [WebGrants](#) portal through October 15<sup>th</sup> by 5:00pm. There will be an additional information session on October 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am and you can [register](#) to attend.

**CADRE / SVCN Update** – *Marsha Hovey, for CADRE*

The deadline for the Census is 10/31/2020. There are 2 surveys that you can take to provide more information to the Council of Nonprofits to learn more about the effects of COVID-19: the [Nonprofit Space Survey](#) takes only 5 minutes and the [All Good Work Foundation Survey](#) takes about 15 minutes.

The CADRE newsletter is coming out shortly and you can [opt in](#) to receive future newsletters.

CADRE has been providing assistance for both the CZU and SCU fires. For the CZU fire, organizers/responders are looking for a warehouse to store donations.

There is an [upcoming training](#): “[Cybersecurity + Zoom Optimization](#)” webinar, which will be held on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 10:00am – 11:30am, focusing on how to make your Zoom meetings the best they can be.

*Marsha Hovey, for SVCN*

There is an upcoming [Public Health Update for Nonprofits](#) meeting (on October 15<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm to 2:00pm) presented by Dr. Marty Fenstersheib, the former Santa Clara County Health Officer and current Testing Officer for COVID-19. His presentation will cover a variety of topics such as what it will look like as the county transitions from the red tier to the orange tier, what we should know about current testing & flu vaccinations, and who will be most affected and how we can better serve these communities. This meeting will also look ahead to COVID-19 vaccination and vaccination planning that is likely to come in the next year.

Coming soon, SVCN will be taking orders for PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), working with the VMC Foundation for distribution of this equipment (mostly cloth masks and KN95 masks). If you know of or have PPE needs, please contact [CADRE](#).

### 3) CADRE Function Team Reports

**Food Distribution** – *Amanda Carrera, City of San Jose Food Operations Lead*

[Due to the City of San Jose being on holiday, Amanda was unable to attend the meeting, but provided a written update, as read out by Anna.] The RFP for Temporarily Sheltered and Unhoused residents will be re-posted this week and RFPs are currently closed. The city will continue to provide meal support for those unhoused. A new version of the school meal flyer will be released this week for only the City of San Jose and updates will come on Great Plates, as soon as available.

*Bruno Pillet, Second Harvest Silicon Valley*

More than half a million people are receiving grocery food from Second Harvest's network of partners, covering both San Mateo and Santa Clara counties, servicing about 350,000 people in Santa Clara County alone. In September, roughly 11 million pounds of food will have been distributed at about 13 million meals.

Expect the CFAP (third-party who prepares the meals) box to end at the end of October, but Second Harvest is looking at labor needs to effectively replace them with internally built (pre-made) boxes.

However, with schools back in session, there are about 12,000 students in Santa Clara County in need of additional assistance due to distance learning. To help meet this critical need, the federal government passed a continuing resolution that will keep the free food program for people under 18 to continue receiving meals through June 2021. The government also passed a “pandemic EBT” (PEBT) which provides about \$360 per child until September 2021. Those who qualify for the PEPT are usually those who qualify for free or reduced price meals from schools.



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**Financial Assistance – Minjhing Hsieh, Tzu Chi Foundation**

The state has provided emergency financial assistance to the wildfire survivors with already 535 families utilizing this assistance. However, only 5 families reside in Santa Clara County, so there is renewed effort to cast a wider net for those to receive assistance. Therefore, the deadline to [apply](#) has been extended to October 24<sup>th</sup>. Please visit the [website](#) for further information about how Tzu Chi is providing this relief.

**Community Services / Case Management – Lindsey Guerrero, Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County**

Continuing to work with Second Harvest for food distribution and are working with Sacred Heart to provide crisis counseling wellness checks. The new creation of a Rental Assistance Program to provide assistance for back rent or rent through the end of December, for those impacted by COVID-19 financial hard times, is currently accepting applications.

The immigration assistance employment task force and SCU fire response team are gathering information and are gearing up for outreach assessment. Once the level of need is determined, public outreach will occur.

There is continued need for additional funding for disaster coordination, food distribution, unmet needs, financial assistance, and case management with increased need focusing on food, financial and rental assistance.

**Mass Care – Ann Herosy, American Red Cross**

The Red Cross has begun the recovery phase for the Lightning Fires and immediate financial assistance is available to those who suffered loss/major damage to their homes.

There is a Red Cross Helpline (1-800-RED-CROSS) and a [Red Cross Flyer](#) that we are trying to use to get the word out because we know that there are still more people in need of assistance.

**Immigrant Relations Support -- Franci Collins, [ImmigrantInfo.org](http://ImmigrantInfo.org)**

There are many upcoming deadlines (all of which can be found on the [website](#)):

- 10/15/2020 – deadline for non-tax filers to submit their information to receive the federal stimulus of \$1200 (banking information is required to receive the money, however there are organizations who can provide further assistance if no banking information exists)
- 10/24/2020 – the (extended) Tzu Chi wildfire assistance deadline
- 10/31/2020 – deadline for completing the 2020 Census

**Emotional and Spiritual Care – Dr. Janet Childs, Bill Wilson Center**

[Janet was unable to attend the meeting, but provided a written update, as read out by Marsha.] It has become clear that sprints are turning into marathons, making it critical for responders, schools, healthcare and community members. There are multiple events scheduled this season to help these affected individuals and the communities they assist:

- 10/29/2020 – Retreat Day at Nestldown (reserved for firefighters and their partners)
- 11/18/2020 – workshop about grief and the holidays (from 6-9pm)
- 12/9/2020 – Light of Lights virtual ceremony (from 6:30-8:30pm)

There is a noticeable rise in suicide and domestic abuse events. The Bay Area CISM team has responded to many agencies, families and individuals, but it's known that the fall season and the holidays are a tough time on these communities. Please seek counseling if you or anyone you know is having a tougher time. Grief is 360 degrees, meaning that every aspect of our lives, every action we take, has been impacted by COVID, fires, PSPS. Please keep others in mind and continue to support those around you.

**Access and Functional Needs – Sheri Burns, Silicon Valley Independent Living Center (SVILC) & San Andreas Regional Center (SARC)**

Anyone with a disability, is an older adult, or is the caregiver to either, who needs PPE, will continue to receive it with new distribution dates on the horizon. There are appointments, anytime during the week, to receive a cloth mask, surgical mask, face shield, non-latex gloves, and hand sanitizer, with more shipments on the way. If this need applies to you or anyone you know, please call Gianna at 408-894-9041 or [email@SVILC](mailto:email@SVILC).

The annual Great ShakeOut Drill is this week on October 15<sup>th</sup>, and there will be a [virtual meeting](#) from 9:00am – 10:00am that will go over various disaster resources, preparation, and best practices to use when in an earthquake. You can also [register your business](#) to participate in the Great ShakeOut Drill so that you, your staff/volunteers, and visitors are prepared for any type of emergency. Typically, the guidance is to Drop, Cover, and Hold-on during an earthquake, but this day is meant to provide the public with the tools necessary to prepare.



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PG&E gave notice that there is likely to be a public safety power shutoff (PSPS) event beginning on Wednesday evening and lasting until Friday morning. There are an expected 50,000 customers who are to be affected by this PSPS, with 2,300 of them being on the medical baseline. Parts of this PSPS area include the Mount Diablo range, east of the San Jose Foothills, as well as the Santa Cruz County foothills area. Please see the [PG&E website for live updates](#).

### **Presentation #1: IsraAid – Farah Shamolian, Humanitarian Professionals Network Director**

IsraAid was founded in 2001 as a non-governmental, a-political organization to provide emergency relief and long-term recovery for communities affected by disasters. Headquartered in Tel Aviv, Israel, but currently operating in 14 countries, IsraAid brings Israeli innovation to each situation. Having operated in over 53 countries since their founding, they have developed a cutting edge water sanitation and hygiene protocol to help them effectively provide support to communities in disaster. Proud of their mental health/psychosocial support, IsraAid also provides medical technology and support, long-term recovery health support, and trauma support building.

Using a combination of worldwide diverse and rapid response teams, IsraAid implements programs for refugees, provides mental health support for service providers as well as disaster victims, and provides the tools necessary to help a community rebuild and maintain resilience for future disasters. An example of a past program included bringing a beekeeper into a community to teach groups of women the trade and lifting them up by giving them the education to start their own honey business, which grants them the longevity to remain successful beyond the time of the disaster.

By the numbers: IsraAid has worked with Second Harvest in Silicon Valley and other US partners to provide 330 volunteers in 7 US cities, support 1.1 million people with food service with 294,000 food boxes, while also supporting 16 countries during COVID-19. Currently, the focus is on providing tools for self-care, mental health, and creating virtual support systems.

For further information about IsraAid, including a [video](#) showcasing their work around the world, please visit [israaid.org](http://israaid.org).

#### **4) Open Floor Discussion**

##### **Unmet needs / New resources / Other Topics that need to be addressed?**

- *Paul Marshall, Cal DART* – In September, DART was requested by direct release out of Santa Barbara to help them move almost 5,000 pounds of KN95 facemasks and wildfire kits to Oregon. 15 piston planes, 7 turboprop planes and a jet were put together to move the PPE to those in need in Oregon.
- *Rita Cruz Gallegos, Aurrera Health* – Important information/presentations and free services regarding the Cal MediConnect program for MediCal and Medicare recipients. The hope, is that Aurrera Health can become an effective partner in this space while working with CADRE and its affiliated organizations. If there is interest in this new resource, please contact [Rita](#) (phone number 951-468-5712), the Community Engagement/Outreach Specialist.
- *John Sagunto, Team Rubicon* – Two important updates: 1) Cal OES has federally declared FEMA disaster funds that will be used with a prime contractor to do debris cleanup to houses affected by recent disasters. 2) However, there are 2 phases to this cleanup operation with the 1<sup>st</sup> phase needing to be completed before anyone (including the homeowner) can return to the property as the EPA must sweep the area to clear out propane tanks, batteries, etc. The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase in this cleanup is when the contractors come in to scrape everything away. If the homeowner, or anyone, returns to the site, is it VERY IMPORTANT that they do not move items that will aerosolize the ash because it's toxic and they will be putting themselves and others at risk for contamination or even the restart of a fire. That being said, if a homeowner goes to their property and disrupts the ash, Cal OES' environmental teams might determine that the site is too dangerous to clean, thus placing the cleanup burden directly on the homeowner.

##### **Announcements/Offers**

- If you or your organization are working on providing access/distribution to food or related matters for COVID-19 or disaster planning, please reach out to the [county](#).
- Responders/organizers involved with the CZU fire are looking for a local warehouse to store donations. If you know of any such facility in the area, please contact CADRE at [cadreeoc@gmail.com](mailto:cadreeoc@gmail.com).
- If you are interested in attending or setting up a self-care session with IsraAid, please reach out to [Rachel Wallace](#). Or, if you would like further stress-management resources, check out the [interactive tool](#) provided by IsraAid.

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- Grow your own organic vegetables. Sacred Heart Community Service has a FANTASTIC [vegetable gardening program](#). It's free and open to anyone living in San Jose. Everything is provided - planters, plants, irrigation, mentoring, webinars. Very educational and empowering to produce your own food. English and Spanish translations are available.
- **Upcoming events:** "[Be Our Guest](#)" held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00pm. And "[Thinking Big Together with Nicole Taylor \(Silicon Valley Community Foundation\)](#)" held on October 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm.
- The notes and slides from today's meeting can be found [here](#).

#### 5) Chat Box Questions and Answers

**Q** Is SVCN PPE for all of SC County or only for SJ City?

**A** The CARES Act PPE is only for nonprofits serving San Jose but SVCN also has KN95 masks and face coverings that are available county-wide.

**Q** Is the PPE available to NPOs for free?

**A** Yes, all the PPE being provided by SVCN/CADRE is free to nonprofits.

**Q** For the pandemic EBT, if families already received help, are they able to apply again?

**A** If a family received Pandemic EBT in the Spring, they should receive it again automatically this year unless their child has graduated or they have moved. There will also be processes to ensure that families who were not part of the program are either automatically enrolled (less likely) or can apply on-line. Public Charge never applies to school meals or Pandemic EBT (P-EBT). Also, while Public Charge applies to CalFresh in theory, there is a vanishingly small number of people who qualify for CalFresh who would be subject to public charge.

**Q** Can you provide the contact link to request for PPE for nonprofit.

**A** [PPE Link for Nonprofits servicing San Jose](#) PPE Link for nonprofits serving other parts of the County.

**Q** When and how can homeowners go and safely look at their properties? Is anyone helping them?

**A** We are past the re-entry phase. At this point people can just go in. If they have any specific questions they just to reach out to the appropriate resource.... i.e. DEH SO Assessor etc...Contact numbers on the [website](#).