



# INYO COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

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## INYO COUNTY COVID-19 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS UPDATE

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<https://www.inyocounty.us/covid-19>

- COVID-19 Vaccine Update:** Inyo County's COVID-19 phase 1A vaccination distribution began Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup> and has continued throughout the past two weeks, with the final two clinics to be held by Inyo County Public Health this week. Phase 1B will include daycare providers, teachers, food/agriculture workers, non-medical law enforcement, and individuals over the age of 75. Administration of the vaccine to individuals in phase 1B is expected to begin as soon as the week of January 11<sup>th</sup> and, due to the number of recipients, will continue over the coming months dependent on vaccine availability. The vaccine remains limited at this time and we will disseminate any updates as they are received.

**CRITICAL REMINDER - Failure to comply with Health Officer Orders places individuals and our community at increased risk of infection. Violation of Health Officer Orders may also result in a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment, fine, or both (Health and Safety Code §120295).**

### Statewide/ Federal Information, Action, & Recommendations

	Global	U.S.	California
Confirmed Cases	85,555,275	20,780,638	2,440,535
Deaths	1,849,904	353,050	26,640

Global: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/data> (01/04/21 – 3:30 pm)

US: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/data> (01/04/21 – 3:30 pm)

CA: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/data> (01/04/21 – 3:30 pm)

- CareLife Small Business Relief Grant:** The State of California is offering a grant program for small businesses impacted by COVID-19. The 1<sup>st</sup> round opens up at 6:00 a.m. on December 30, 2020 and closes on January 8, 2021. Applicants should start receiving notifications on grant approval/disapproval after January 13, 2021 and funding should be received within 30 days after that. The 2nd Round dates will be determined later, but if a business applied in the 1st round and was not awarded any funding, and was eligible, there is no need to apply for the 2nd round, as all qualified applicants will be rolled over into the next funding round for consideration. To apply visit [carelifegrant.com](http://carelifegrant.com), click on the *FIND A PARTNER* button on the top of the screen – click on the *BY COUNTY* button and click on the *INYO* button, then choose a partner and click on the Application button. The partner you choose will be able to assist you with any questions you might have. This is not an Inyo County program, so you must work

with your partner with any questions that you might have. Follow all directions for grant eligibility and the application process.

The grant awards are as follows based on business income:

- \$1,000 - \$100,000 = \$5,000 grant
- \$100,001 - \$1,000,000 = \$15,000 grant
- \$1,000,001 - \$2,500,000 = \$25,000 grant
- Businesses are allowed to apply for a lower amount than listed.

For more information visit: <https://careliefgrant.com/>

- **Safe Schools for All Plan:** On December 30<sup>th</sup> Governor Gavin Newsom released the State Safe Schools for All plan, California’s framework to support schools to continue operating safely in-person and to expand the number of schools safely resuming in-person instruction. Informed by growing evidence of the decreased risks and increased benefits of in-person instruction – especially for our youngest students – Governor Newsom is advancing a strategy that will help create safe learning environments for students and safe workplaces for educators and other school staff. The plan includes funding to support safe reopening, safety and mitigation measures for classrooms, and hands-on oversight and assistance for schools. For more information visit: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/12/30/governor-newsom-unveils-californias-safe-schools-for-all-plan/>
- **Second Round of Economic Impact Payments:** Beginning December 29<sup>th</sup> the Internal Revenue Service and the Treasury Department began delivering a second round of Economic Impact Payments as part of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 to millions of Americans who received the first round of payments earlier this year. Eligible individuals will automatically receive an Economic Impact Payment of up to \$600 for individuals or \$1,200 for married couples and up to \$600 for each qualifying child. Generally, if you have adjusted gross income for 2019 up to \$75,000 for individuals and up to \$150,000 for married couples filing joint returns and surviving spouses, you will receive the full amount of the second payment. For filers with income above those amounts, the payment amount is reduced.  
The IRS emphasizes that there is no action required by eligible individuals to receive this second payment. Some Americans may see the direct deposit payments as pending or as provisional payments in their accounts before the official payment date of January 4, 2021.  
For more information visit: <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/treasury-and-irs-begin-delivering-second-round-of-economic-impact-payments-to-millions-of-americans>