



While the health risk for COVID-19 in San Diego County is currently low, the leadership at Stonewall Citizens' Patrol continues to closely monitor information that is released by state and local health agencies. Health and safety of our patrol volunteers and community remains priority number one; this is why we have been in our neighborhoods since 2006.

In response to the quickly evolving nature of COVID-19, we have reinforced community contact guidelines and policies with our patrol volunteers. We continue to be the 'eyes and ears' of our community in a **hand-off** approach with our mobile neighborhood patrols.

After review of our current guidelines and policies, we immediately implemented the following:

- Allowing our patrol volunteers to fulfill their monthly time requirements in alternative ways, such as staying informed and sharing our social media posts
- Including all our patrol volunteers in patrol activities and notifications but temporarily encouraging our older and/or more health condition sensitive members to not have community contact through patrolling
- Ensuring that all patrol volunteers that are sick, have a fever, or a cough, do not patrol
- Educating our patrol volunteers on the symptoms of COVID-19
- Promoting social distancing when contacting the community while on patrol
- No Community Event Safety Patrols where there is a large gathering or has less than recommended social distancing. We plan to continue our mobile patrols in the Bankers Hill, Hillcrest, University Heights, and North Park neighborhoods as long as the health risks remain low

We need for everyone to be **#communitystrong** and assist with:

- Staying home if you are sick, have a fever, or a cough
- Washing your hands frequently
- Keeping contact to a minimum by implementing alternative ways to handshakes and hugs. Be creative with your fist or elbow bumps and other social distancing actions
- Practice for Halloween now. Practice your vampire cough and sneeze!
- Don't forget your self-care, both short and long term!
- If you see something, say something! Call 911 to report any emergency or your local non-emergency number. For the City of San Diego, the non-emergency is 619-531-2000

Stonewall Citizens' Patrol volunteers are dedicated to our mission, vision, and core values. We are a community safety partner with the residents and organizations of Bankers Hill, Hillcrest, University Heights and North Park since 2006 and look forward to continuing this valuable service for many more years.

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