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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### City of San Dimas Office of the City Manager – Update August 18, 2020

#### *Latest Updates:*

- Nearly 60% of the total COVID-19 cases in LA County are among people between the ages of 18 and 49 years old. Learn more about the risk at <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/risk/>
- According to the South Coast Air Quality Management District, smoke from the Lake Fire and Ranch Fire burning in the region has caused unhealthy air quality in the following areas:
  - Santa Clarita Valley
  - San Gabriel Mountains
  - East San Gabriel Valley
  - Pomona-Walnut Valley
  - If you can see smoke, soot, or ash, or you can smell smoke, pay attention to your immediate environment and take precautions to safeguard your health. These precautions are particularly important for children, older adults, and people with heart or lung diseases
- To make transit better in LA County, Metro wants to hear from you. Tune in for a virtual public hearing between August 19-27 to learn more about the NextGen Bus Plan. Visit <https://www.metro.net/projects/nextgen/events/> for more details
- Reminder: Bonita Unified School District's first day of school is August 26. Are you ready?
  - Make sure your student is registered [HERE](#)
  - View distance-learning schedules [HERE](#)
  - Need a Chromebook for your student? Contact the school
  - Visit the school's website for more information about picking up materials
- California's heatwave is expected to last all week. To avoid power outages: pre-cool your home overnight at 72° and from 3 pm – 10 pm set you're A/C at 78° or higher and avoid using major appliances
- The San Dimas Senior Center/Community Center is anticipated to be open as a cooling center daily from 10 am - 6 pm until August 28. Please be sure to observe social distancing and wear a mask. For more information, please call (909) 394-6230
- The City is in the process of preparing a new Housing Element and is looking for volunteers for the Housing Element Update Committee. The Housing Element is one of the required elements within the City's General Plan. The General Plan guides future growth and development within the City of San Dimas. The next Housing Element cycle will guide housing policy and housing programs for the next eight years, from 2021-2029
  - If you are interested in serving on the Housing Element Update Committee, apply by August 21. For more information and to apply, click [HERE](#)
- Governor Gavin Newsom today declared a statewide emergency to help ensure the availability of vital resources to combat fires burning across the state, which have been exacerbated by the effects of the historic West Coast heat wave and sustained high winds