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Update on the Coronavirus and Potential Impact on Programs

The Greater Los Angeles Area Council has received calls from leaders asking how the Coronavirus might impact our programs. We are monitoring the situation closely and are prepared to act quickly should the situation warrant action.

Currently, the health risk to the general public in California from Novel Coronavirus remains low. We encourage everyone in the Scouting program follow the California Department of Public Health recommendations to prevent the spread of all respiratory viruses:

- Wash hands with soap and water
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay away from work, school or other people if you become sick with respiratory symptoms like fever and cough.

Scouts are encouraged to bring personal hand sanitizer. We will also provide hand sanitizer at restrooms and dining areas at camps with dining halls.

For now, all Scouting programs will continue as planned. Should Public Health authorities recommend additional preventative measures, we would act accordingly. There has not been a change to the cancellation policy; however, we will reassess this if conditions change.

Links for up-to-date information regarding the Novel Coronavirus:

- The California Department of Public Health [website here](#)
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC) [website here](#)

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Charlie Wilson'.

Charlie Wilson
Director of Support Service

