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Town Announcements

COVID-19 Update

MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus

May 6, 2021

CURRENT METRICS

- **Positive Tests: 1,020*** (+3)
- **Deaths: 4**
- **Vaccines Received: 17,194*** (+ 0)
- **1st Dose Administered: 7,954*** (+133)
- **Fully Vaccinated: 7,183*** (+380)

*Changes in testing and vaccine data reflect changes since April 29, 2021.

View Live Data: MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus & <https://coronavirus.monocounty.ca.gov/pages/vaccinations>

CURRENT COUNTY STATUS

MODERATE

CURRENT HOSPITAL STATUS

GREEN

Public Health is now vaccinating every person aged 16 and over that lives or works in Mono County. Come to one of many scheduled vaccination clinics throughout Mono County and the Town of Mammoth Lakes or register yourself to be vaccinated with My Turn. It only takes a few minutes.

Mono County is in the Orange Tier of the California Department of Health's Blueprint for a Safer Economy, meaning additional indoor activities are now allowed with increased capacities. Masks are still required inside all businesses, and outside when social distancing isn't possible (lift lines, busy hiking trails, etc.).

Mono County Public Health is hosting the following walk-in vaccine clinics over the next several weeks (appointments not required):

WALK-IN MONO COUNTY VACCINATION CLINICS

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
May 8	10 am-12 pm	Mammoth High School, 365 Sierra Park Rd.
May 12	2-3:30 pm	Swall Meadows Fire Department, 129 Willow Rd., Bishop
May 15	12-2:00 pm	Bridgeport Memorial Hall, 73 North School St.
May 17	2-5:30 pm	Mammoth High School, 365 Sierra Park Rd.
May 29	1-3:30 pm	Mammoth High School, 365 Sierra Park Rd.

Having trouble? Don't have an email address or mobile phone? Call MyTurn at 833-422-4255 (M-F 8AM-8PM, W/end 8AM-5PM) for assistance.

FREE COVID-19 TESTING

★ OPTUMSERVE™ TESTING – Mammoth Lakes

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays *indoors

11:00am – 7:00pm (closed from 3:00 to 4:00pm for lunch)

Mammoth Lakes Foundation
100 College Parkway

<https://lhi.care/covidtesting>

Testing is at no cost for the individual regardless of insurance status. Open to all ages. Appointments preferred but not required. Walk-ins welcome.

MonoHealth.com/Coronavirus
MONO COUNTY
COVID-19 Resource Portal

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Community Housing

- Town Council at their April 5, 2021 meeting approved \$1.4M for creative community housing solutions. The funding provides the opportunity to work with the private sector and others to look at creative options to address community housing needs.
- Town Council approved a Disposition and Development Agreement (DDA) with Pacific West Communities Inc. for the development of the Parcel. The final agreement provides for up to 450 units of attainable affordable community housing. Work on the project is expected to start this summer. The first phase of 81 units is anticipated to be completed in early 2023.
- The Town of Mammoth Lakes 2021 Parcel Master Plan has been selected as the winner of the 2021 Excellence and Achievement in Planning Award – Opportunity and Empowerment Category from the American Planning Association, California Central Section. Also, the Town was recognized for their work with the Institute for Local Government (ILG) on the BOOST program. Read more about the program and how our partnership helped bring affordable housing to our community: <https://www.westerncity.com/article/boosting-economic-development-and-equity-california-communities>

Town Council Workshop on Strategic Priorities

- On Friday May 7 at 1:00pm the Town Council will hold a workshop focused on setting Strategic Priorities and Key Objectives to guide the Town’s work program and investments over the next 12-24 months.

Kore Mining Exploration Drilling Project

- The Town Council on May 5 directed that a letter opposing the Long Valley Exploration Drilling Project proposed east of the Town of Mammoth Lakes be prepared. A final draft will be considered at a special Council meeting on May 12 at 1:30pm.

ORMAT Casa Diablo IV Project Construction

- Mammoth Pacific Geothermal (ORMAT) is set to begin construction of the Casa Diablo IV Geothermal Facility in the town of Mammoth Lakes in April of 2021 with plans to finish construction at the end of January 2022.

Investments in Town Infrastructure Approved

- The Town Council on May 5 approved funding for \$300,000 in deferred maintenance funding for our Parks and set aside an additional \$250,000 for the upgrade of the public safety radio communications system. The upgrade is a joint initiative between the Town, Mono County, Mammoth Lakes Fire and other Fire Districts and other users. The final design is still under review.

What's the Town Working on this Summer?

If you want to know more about the projects the Town is building and planning this year, click on the link to view a map and basic information about the Town's 2021 capital projects (zoom and click on the red dots/lines). Some of the planned projects are the Community Recreation Center, Mammoth Yosemite Airport East GA Apron reconstruction, Whitmore Ball Field warning track, extensive road and multi-use path rehabilitation and The Parcel Phase 1 infrastructure and affordable housing. Total value of this summer's capital projects is over \$35 Million. Visit the website: <https://www.townofmammothlakes.ca.gov/898/Current-Projects>

Mammoth Lakes Launches Suddenlink Escalation Portal

If you have had challenges while engaging Suddenlink Customer Service and have an outstanding service request or other issue, you may submit an Escalation Request through the new Suddenlink Escalation Portal. Escalation requests are immediately sent to Suddenlink officials who will enter the request into a separate customer care center and then reach back out directly to the customer submitting the request. Suddenlink is focused at all levels of the company to continue to drive improvements in our Customer Care business operations. Suddenlink Escalation Portal: <https://monocounty.quickbase.com/db/brd3ztrxn/db35c7dc-cc85-4c3c-90e9-940a86bb8342>

Groundbreaking Ceremony of the new Community Recreation Center

Members of the Mammoth Lakes Town Council, the Planning and Economic Development Commission (PEDC), the Recreation Commission, Town staff, many recreation enthusiasts and the *Mammoth Stars* celebrated the groundbreaking of the new Community Recreation Center (CRC) on April 21, at Mammoth Creek Park.



The CRC is the major recreation amenity at Mammoth Creek Park and includes three complementary components: the natural play area, a National Demonstration Site inclusive playground, and a new minor-mobility hub with parking for up to 118 vehicles.

One of the Recreation Commission's goals was to "provide a 'recreation destination' that the entire community of Mammoth Lakes will actively enjoy, value and ultimately be proud to

call 'Our Park,' and to continue to allow for the passive enjoyment of the park that includes walking paths, open space and access to Mammoth Creek Park."

For the duration of construction for the new Community Recreation Center (estimated 12 months), the Mammoth Creek Park playground, restrooms and parking lot will be closed to the public. The green space at the park remains open and we invite you to enjoy one of our many playgrounds at Trails End Park, Shady Rest Park and the Community Center.

We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your understanding as we work towards enhancing our community recreation amenities. Additional information on this project as well as the April 21, 2021 Town Council Presentation can be viewed [here](#).

Construction Updates

Visit the Town of Mammoth Lakes [Facebook page](#) (#crcupdates) for frequent updates on the construction and planned programming of this new community recreation amenity.

Town Meetings & Events

Town Council

The next regular meeting of the Mammoth Lakes Town Council has been scheduled for **Wednesday, May 19, 2021** beginning at 2:30pm with a joint meeting with the Recreation Commission. The regular meeting commences at 4:00pm via Zoom. Public comments can be made in-person in Suite Z. Visit the [Streaming Media Archive](#) to review the previous meeting minutes or view the webcast Town Council meeting.

Commission/Committee Meetings

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| May 7 | Town Council Workshop on Strategic Priorities, 1:00PM |
| May 12 | Planning and Economic Development Commission Mtg., Ste. Z, 1:00PM
Join us for a joint meeting with the Town Council. Discussion items include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Climate Adaptation and Resilience Assessment Report prepared under the Sustainable Recreation and Tourism Grant• Town Council Draft Strategic Priorities and Key Objectives |
| June 1 | Recreation Commission Meeting, Ste. Z, 1:30PM |

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Department Updates

PARKS AND RECREATION NEWS...

Shady Rest DiscGolfPark Adopt-A-Hole Program

Online requests for the Shady Rest DiscGolfPark® Adopt-A-Hole Sponsorship Program are now open! The Shady Rest DiscGolfPark® Adopt-A-Hole Program will ensure sustainable funding for on-going maintenance and course enhancements. To further broaden the appeal of the course for all ages and abilities, this summer the Parks and Recreation Department is planning to install new recreational short tee pads and tee signs. The program is open to everyone – businesses, organizations, clubs, groups, families, and individuals. The Parks and Recreation Department will accept sponsors for the Adopt A Hole program on a first-come, first-serve basis, consistent with the Department's [Sponsorship Policy](#).

Town Council Awards \$36,800 To Youth Sporting Organizations

The Town of Mammoth Lakes annually awards funds to supplement organized, non-profit, and self-sustaining youth sports programs that may be in need of additional funding to provide enhanced programming or to foster greater participation from low-income residents. Mono County contributes \$8,000 annually in support of this county-wide program and new this year, the Tony Colasardo Scholarship Fund is providing two full scholarships for each organization to further promote youth participation and inclusivity throughout Mono County.

On April 21, Town Council approved funding to nine youth sporting organizations: Mammoth AYSO, Disabled Sports Eastern Sierra, Eastern Sierra Nordic Ski Association, Mammoth Club Volleyball, Mammoth Lakes Swim Team, Mammoth Lakes Youth Hockey, Mammoth Track Club, Mono County Little League and the MUSD Husky Club. The Town would like to acknowledge and thank the many youth sporting organizations working hard to promote and provide fun, structured, and affordable regular physical activity for our many local youth throughout Mono County and the Town of Mammoth Lakes.

2021 Summer Camp Registration



The poster features a colorful title '2021 summer RECREATION • RECREACIÓN DE verano' with a mountain icon and 'Mammoth Lakes Recreation Parks & Recreation' logo. It lists registration dates: Youth Summer Pre-Registration (June 2 at 8:00am) and Summer Registration (June 7 at 8:00am). A list of activities includes Mammoth Sampler Camp, Explorer Mini Camp, 3-Day Mountain Bike Camp, Wave Rave Camp, Climbing Camp, Fly Fishing Camp, Swim Lessons (all ages), and Adult Softball. It also includes contact information for more information and a QR code to register.

2021 summer RECREATION • RECREACIÓN DE verano

Mammoth Lakes Recreation
Parks & Recreation

Youth Summer Pre-Registration: June 2 at 8:00am
Preinscripción de verano para jóvenes: 2 de junio a las 8:00am
*Limited to one product per child • *Limitado a un producto por niño

Summer Registration: June 7 at 8:00am
Inscripción de verano: 7 de junio a las 8:00am
*Open to all ages. Multiple activity registrations per person, subject to availability.
*Abierto a todas las edades. Múltiples registros de actividades por persona, sujeto a disponibilidad.

Mammoth Sampler Camp • Campamento de muestra de Mammoth
Explorer Mini Camp • Campamento de exploradores mini
3-Day Mountain Bike Camp • Campamento de bicicleta de montaña de 3 días
Wave Rave Camp • Campamento Wave Rave
Climbing Camp • Campamento de escalada
Fly Fishing Camp • Campamento de pesca con mosca
Swim Lessons (all ages) • Clases de natación (todas las edades)
Adult Softball • Softbol para adultos

And More! ¡Y más!

More Information • Más Información
www.mammothparksandrec.com
760-965-3690
parksandrec@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov

Register Here Registrar Aquí
<https://open.active.comunities.com/mammothrecreation/home>

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MAMMOTH LAKES POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS...

It is officially spring in Mammoth Lakes complete with warm days, disappearing snow and swiftly flowing creeks! The return to some sort of 'normalcy' is very welcome and it is great to see people out dining at our restaurants, walking, riding bikes, enjoying our lodging properties, and having the community get back to work. The Police Department is prepared to welcome the record number of visitors expected to arrive this summer/fall.

Dispersed Camping

A major concern for residents this summer is the growing trend of dispersed camping and the problems it can cause such as trash, human waste, and the potential for wildfires. To help address these issues, the Police Department will be conducting expanded patrols this into areas popular with dispersed campers and other OHV enthusiasts. This is possible, in part, by the Department being awarded the California Off-Highway Motor Vehicle (OHMVR) Division Grant for 2021 kicking off MLPD's first OHV program. The Police Department currently contracts with the Forest Service to conduct patrols of Shady Rest, Minaret Vista, and the Lakes Basin. This award allows expansion on existing partnerships in OHV activities. The PD acquired a Polaris Razor in 2020 by joining with the FEMA Grant for Homeland Security. This new OHMVR Grant will allow us to pay Officers to do patrols in the Razor and will also allow for the purchase of additional equipment to aide in winter OHV patrols. The goal of the MLPD's OHV program is to provide safety and education for both residents and visitors and to reduce intrusions into the wilderness and other protected areas.

MLPD Launches DocuPet

MLPD has partnered with DocuPet for dog licensing services. DocuPet will go live before current licenses expire on June 30, 2021. This new service will allow residents to renew tags online with a start date of any day of the year. The previous process required a trip to our station with tags expiring on June 30 annually, regardless of when the tag was purchased. Of course, dog owners will still be able to renew in person or by phone if they prefer. DocuPet was founded in 2014 and was designed around government and shelter pet licensing. They offer dozens of fun tag choices, 24/7 lost pet services, and send out renewal notices each year. Plus, all pet tag sales will now directly contribute to animal welfare initiatives in Mammoth Lakes! Other Eastern Sierra Law Enforcement Agencies have also signed on with which means that the whole region will share one database to help reunite lost dogs with their families. As soon as DocuPet is live all information, including a link to renew, will be posted on [MLPD's Animal Services Webpage](#) and will be shared to our social media sites.



24/7 Police Staffing

2020 saw some significant staffing changes for the Mammoth Lakes Police Department. Efforts to increase patrol staff in 2019 allowed the Department to transition to a 24/7 schedule in early 2020, providing around-the-clock coverage for our community. The addition of a Police Sergeant in mid-2020 increased the depth of supervisory staff providing leadership to Officers who are in the early stages of their careers, guiding them towards future positions in management. The addition of a Code Compliance Officer in mid-2020 has also allowed the Department to enhance the Town's animal control services while also providing support to the Community and Economic Development Department in their code compliance efforts. An increase in staffing, along with a shift to 24-7 coverage, has provided a much-needed increase in service levels to our community.

MLPD thanks the Mammoth Lakes Community for their support and cooperation in navigating these changed times. We wish all of you a safe and enjoyable summer ahead!

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Lean Innovator Series – Applications Open!

Are you an early-stage company founder in need of refining who your customer is and what product you are building for them? Join the [Carlsen Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship, and the Capital Region SBDC](#) for a 10-week long cohort program supporting you as a founder in getting to problem/solution fit. Their aim is to have you poised to go from zero to one (zero customers to one and beyond).

This 10-week long program will enable you to narrow down your customer and refine the product offering you hope to offer them. The Carlsen Center will empower you to distill your business into both a 1-minute pitch and a 1-sentence pitch so you can easily and effectively articulate your offering. This Zoom-based program is 10 weeks long, 2 sessions per week, and will cover the following areas:

- ✓ Customer Profile Development
- ✓ Market Niche Research
- ✓ Value Proposition Design
- ✓ Light Prototyping
- ✓ Collateral Design

People who benefit the most from this program are those who are just starting out with a business idea, have created a product/service concept but haven't solidified it yet, and already have a business but need to pivot with new customers or products. The program is free to attend and starts on June 1st. Applications are being until May 16th and will fill 12-14 seats. People who are interested in attending should fill out an application form [here](#).

Go Digital!

Are you looking for help to bring your business online? The State of California has launched an e-commerce initiative to promote accelerators and intensive trainings to build the skills necessary to compete in an online marketplace and drive Californians to support small businesses through online festivals. Find out more here: <https://business.ca.gov/advantages/small-business-innovation-and-entrepreneurship/get-digital-ca/>

Building Division

The Building Division has published prescriptive (pre-approved) designs for decks, stairs, and porches. If you are planning on building one of these structures, please review the plans on our webpage as they may eliminate the need for engineering and designs. <https://www.townofmammothlakes.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/11281/Prescriptive-Designs---Deck-Stairs-Porch-Roof?bidId=>

HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT NEWS...

Work for the Town of Mammoth Lakes!

As we continue to grow and expand our workforce, the Town is recruiting for a number of exciting temporary and year-round employment opportunities! The Town of Mammoth Lakes knows our employees are our most valuable assets, which is why we strive to attract and retain the best. If you're committed to public service and you want to be part of the changing face of local government, apply now! Visit our [career portal](#) for more information.

Current job openings:

- Human Resources Manager
- Police Officer
- Code Compliance Officer
- Public Works Maintenance Worker
- Parks Maintenance Worker
- Temporary Engineering Field Assistant
- Temporary Parks Maintenance Worker
- Recreation Intern
- Recreation Program Instructors for tennis and swim programs
- Sports Official
- Recreation Coordinator
- Senior Camp Counselor
- Camp Counselor
- Assistant Aquatic Site Coordinator

Public Service Announcements

When To Make A Bear Call

DO NOT CALL:

- Bear walking through your property or neighborhood
- Bear in a tree

OPTIONAL NON-EMERGENCY

- Bear on porch or deck
- Bear in unoccupied vehicle
- Bear making regular visits to property or under deck or house
- Bear sitting in a hammock (call us so we can come and take a photo!)

EMERGENCY - CALL 911:

- Bear inside any building or home
- Bear seen trying to open window or door of occupied dwelling
- Bear in confined space with human beings
- Bear apparently confronting human beings

Register for CodeRED

Residents of Mono County can register their cell phones to receive emergency CodeRED (reverse 911) alerts from Mono County. This is a county public service available to all Mono County residents so please tell your friends and neighbors in Mono County that they can register for this service. CodeRED announcements are for personal notification and will not replace CERT CAHAN notification. Here is how to sign register/sign up using the INTERNET:

- Go to monosheriff.org
- Scroll down left side panel to CodeRED community notification system;
- Click on it and follow directions.