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City of Malibu, CORE and Malibu Medical Group to Offer More Drive-Through COVID-19 Testing at City Hall for All Community Members of Greater Malibu Area Regardless of Symptoms April 30 and May 1

(Malibu, CA) – The City of Malibu, Community Organized Relief Effort (CORE) and Malibu Medical Group will conduct more drive-through COVID-19 testing for all community members of the greater Malibu area regardless of symptoms on Thursday, April 30 and Friday, May 1, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Malibu City Hall. Please be in line by 3:00 PM.

“I am proud of the City staff and our partners at CORE and Malibu Medical Group and our volunteers who continue to make this vital testing service possible,” said Mayor Karen Farrer. “We have now conducted nearly 3,000 tests, and widespread testing is one of the key benchmarks that we need to achieve as we battle the coronavirus and look forward to easing the stay at home orders.”

The testing is meant for all community members of the greater Malibu area including, but not limited to, Pacific Palisades, Topanga, Calabasas, Westlake Village, Agoura Hills and Thousand Oaks, regardless of whether they have COVID-19 symptoms.

Pre-registration is required on Malibu Medical Group’s website. However, anyone unable to pre-register online will be registered on-site by the testing staff. To pre-register, visit <https://www.malibumedicalgroup.com/contents/covid-19>.

Testing results from the nearly 3,000 tests conducted at City Hall during the past three weeks have shown that most positive cases were asymptomatic. Therefore it is critical to conduct widespread testing so that the people who have contracted COVID-19 but do not have symptoms can self-isolate in order to slow the spread and save lives.

If you have health insurance coverage, your insurance will be billed for the cost of the test. If you do not have insurance, then a \$60 donation is requested. The donation must be made at <https://www.corerresponse.org/>. No one will be denied a test due to inability to pay.

Any community member or business that would like to support this testing service for those who do not have health insurance may make a donation to https://www.corerresponse.org.

Testing site:

Malibu City Hall, upper parking lot
23825 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu, CA 90265

Dr. Lisa Benya, who runs Malibu Medical Group, is serving as the lead doctor who will supervise the testing. Learn more about Malibu Medical Group at <https://www.malibumedicalgroup.com/>.

Community Organized Relief Effort (CORE) is a non-profit organization dedicated to saving lives and strengthening communities affected by or vulnerable to crisis. Within hours of the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, founder Sean Penn mobilized a powerful network to take immediate action. The organization continues its work to lead sustainable programs ranging from youth education and women's entrepreneurship to disaster mitigation in Haiti, Puerto Rico, the Caribbean, and the United States. More information: www.coreresponse.org. Facebook: FB.com/COREResponse. Twitter: @COREResponseOrg. Instagram: @COREResponse.

The tests will be conducted using a Food and Drug Administration (FDA) -approved nasal swab with an expected two-day turnaround for results. People who test positive will receive a phone call from Malibu Medical staff. People who test negative will receive an e-mail within 5 - 10 days. Those being tested will drive through the upper parking lot at Malibu City Hall (23825 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu CA 90265). Drivers will be instructed on the steps of the highly secure process when they arrive.

FOR MORE CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION

LA County Department of Public Health coronavirus web page:

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

California Department of Public Health coronavirus web page:

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/nCOV2019.aspx>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention coronavirus web page:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

Información de los Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades (CDC) en español:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index-sp.html>.

City of Malibu coronavirus web page: www.MalibuCity.org/coronavirus.

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