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## NEWS RELEASE: COVID-19

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### **PRESIDING JUDGE KEVIN C. BRAZILE ANNOUNCES IMMEDIATE TEMPORARY RELIEF FOR ALL TRAFFIC AND NON-TRAFFIC INFRACTION DEFENDANTS FOR 90 DAYS**

**Immediate Temporary Relief Includes A 90-Day Grace Period On All Traffic And Non-Traffic Infraction Tickets As Well As A Streamlined System For Release Of Driver's License Holds**

Presiding Judge Kevin C. Brazile today announced the Court will immediately institute a program of temporary relief for all Traffic and Non-Traffic Infraction defendants.

“Our Court’s sole focus during this crisis has been how best to serve our community and this has remained my North Star,” Presiding Judge Brazile said. “Our traffic operations — the part of our Court that has the broadest interaction with the public and touches Angelenos from all walks of life — presents a unique opportunity for our Court to join the efforts of numerous public and private entities in acknowledging the economic devastation caused by this virus and mitigating its impact. I look forward to working with our community partners in getting the word out to the people of Los Angeles County: while you are facing an unprecedented threat to your lives and your livelihood, one thing you do not have to worry about is paying a traffic ticket or losing your license. Focus on staying safer at home and riding out this storm.”

The relief announced today includes a 90-day grace period on all Traffic and Non-Traffic Infraction matters. The Court will take no action to send such matters to collections if they remain unpaid or assess the permissible Civil Assessments. Defendants do not need to contact the Clerk’s Office to take advantage of this relief.

In addition, Traffic Infraction defendants who have suspended driver’s licenses due to unpaid tickets can now call the Court to set a future hearing date and immediately have the Court request a release of their Driver’s License Hold from the DMV. Defendants should be aware that COVID-19 has affected the DMV’s ability to process these requests, so there may be some delays in having the holds lifted.

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Finally, for individuals who are experiencing financial or other difficulty related to the Coronavirus/COVID-19, and are unable to pay or need an extension for their Traffic and Non-Traffic ticket matters, the Court has options available such as:

- [Filing an Ability to Pay Petition](#)
- [Establishing a Payment Plan](#)
- [Requesting a reduction in the monthly payment amount](#)
- [Requesting an extension of a Payment Plan due date](#)
- [Requesting a Trial by Declaration without having to post bail](#)
- Requesting an extension of Community Service completion date by calling the Court
- [Requesting an extension of a Traffic School completion date](#)
- [Scheduling a court date](#) in June or beyond or [establishing a Payment Plan](#) to remove a DMV license hold **now**

If a Traffic or Non-Traffic citation is due and action has not yet been taken to resolve it, individuals may request a due date extension by contacting the courthouse the citation is assigned to and speaking with a clerk to discuss their options. Traffic courthouse telephone numbers are shown below, and addresses can be found [here](#).

**If the Traffic matter has gone to collections:** Contact GC Services, whose staff will be able to advise you of your options.

GC Services  
P. O. Box 7835  
Baldwin Park, CA 91706  
English: 1-800-352-3778    Spanish: 1-800-352-3778  
<https://Courtpay.gcserv.com>

***For any other questions:*** Please visit the Court's Traffic [webpage](#) or call one of the Traffic courthouses for more information and assistance.

**Telephone hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday**

<b>Beverly Hills Courthouse – Closed - contact the Santa Monica Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-6648</b>
<b>Chatsworth Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1884</b>
<b>Compton Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 763-1644</b>
<b>Downey Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 763-1645</b>
<b>El Monte Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1928</b>
<b>Glendale Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1928</b>

<b>Gov. George Deukmejian Courthouse (Long Beach)</b>	<b>(213) 742-8809</b>
<b>Inglewood Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-8860</b>
<b>Metropolitan Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1884</b>
<b>Michael D. Antonovich Antelope Valley Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-8860</b>
<b>Pasadena Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1928</b>
<b>Santa Clarita Courthouse – Closed – contact the Chatsworth Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1884</b>
<b>Santa Monica Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-6648</b>
<b>Torrance Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-8860</b>
<b>Van Nuys West Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1884</b>
<b>West Covina Courthouse</b>	<b>(213) 742-1928</b>

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