2020 LA County Fair Cancellation Frequently Asked Questions

Is the 2020 LA County Fair Cancelled?

Due to the limitations placed on large public gatherings by state and county public health officials because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 LA County Fair, slated for Sept. 4-27, is cancelled. For the safety and well-being of our guests, vendors and staff, Fairplex is following the guidelines of public health officials who are not recommending large public gatherings for the remainder of the year.

This is only the second time in our nearly 100-year history that the Fair has closed for its season. The Fair was closed from 1942 to 1947 during World War II. The Fair did close on Sept. 11, 2001, but reopened the following day.

When will the Fair reopen?

We are planning for the Fair in 2021, with the hope that the restrictions we are currently under have been resolved.

What about other Fairplex events?

Fairplex, home of the LA County Fair and 300 year-round events, is canceling the remainder of its self-produced events for the remainder of 2020, including: June’s Cheers Wine, Beer and Food Festival; Fourth of July spectacular KABOOM!; Oktoberfest; and the Day of the Dead celebration En Memoria. Information on externally produced events can be found by contacting the respective promoters.

Couldn’t you have waited until later in the summer to decide to cancel the Fair? Isn’t it too early to cancel the Fair?

We have to follow the state and county guidelines, which indicate large public events will not be permitted soon.

How do I get a refund for season pass boxes?

Guests who purchased season pass boxes will have three options: 1) credit toward the 2021 Fair plus one extra season pass; 2) Turn the box purchase into a donation to the TLC-Fairplex Emergency Response Fund for the community; or 3) a complete refund. Please see our refund information at lacountyfair.com/refunds.

What if I’m a vendor and I’ve paid for my booth at the Fair?

Vendors will have two options for monies paid: 1) allow your vendor payment to be applied to the 2021 Fair and receive a 25% discount on space rent at the 2020 price; 2) request a full refund of monies paid. Vendors, please see visit the vendor refund page here or contact Commercial Sales Manager Suzanne Villegas at villegas@fairplex.com.

Are the competitions canceled, too? Will you still hold competitions?
We will be able to hold some competitions online. Please check lacountyfair.com periodically for updates.

**Does this include the America’s Kids competitions?**

Unfortunately, America’s Kids competitions will be canceled.

**How can I pick up an entry I’ve already submitted?**

If you would like to have your entry returned, you will be notified via email in the near future on entry pick-up details.

**I usually support The Learning Centers and the Child Development Center through the summer events: Cheers, Premiere Party and the CDC Auction. Are these events still happening?**

At this time, all of the 2020 TLC and CDC fundraising events are canceled. We will still be keeping our loyal donors engaged through periodic email updates and we are exploring some fun fundraising ideas that can be done virtually and/or with physical distancing in mind. In the meantime, in lieu of purchasing tickets or a sponsorship package to Cheers, Premiere Party or the CDC Auction, please consider making a donation to the TLC – Fairplex Emergency Response Fund. This restricted fund is being used to support Fairplex’s support of the community response to COVID-19 with efforts ranging from the drive-thru food pantry in partnership with Sowing Seeds for Life to drive-thru testing. In the month of April alone, these services reached approximately 10,000 families. Nearly 9,000 individuals have been tested at the drive-thru testing and more than 100 children are being cared for at the Child Development Center, including children of healthcare workers, first responders and essential workers. Fairplex is committed to its core principle as a community partner, and will continue supporting the community response for as long as necessary, but without any revenue-generating events on the campus, resources are strained to continue providing these services. Donations will be used to offset costs ranging from security to logistics to ensure that Fairplex can continue supporting the community response to COVID-19 for as long as the crisis lasts. You can make a donation by clicking [here](https://www.lacountyfair.com/donate), and typing “Emergency Response” in the text box.