



MIMA's Monthly COVID-19 Update

BALTIMORE CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

As MIMA continues to support the City's COVID-19 response, we are providing monthly updates related to public services and resources for our communities.

EID MUBARAK AND HAPPY ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH!

Eid Mubarak! During the holy month of Ramadan, our Muslim communities fasted and abstained from worldly attachments, consciously working to create healthy habits and practice patience, gratitude, mercy and community. MIMA extends our warmest greetings to those who celebrated Eid al-Fitr earlier this month, as we continue to build community now and beyond.

This month, we also celebrate the contributions and experiences of our city's Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities. With a rich history in our city, AAPI communities continue to be a thriving source of what makes Baltimore, Baltimore.

Tune into this month's edition of the Mayor's *410 Report*, featuring **HyeSook Chung** (President, Baltimore Civic Fund), **Cori Dioquino** (Co-Executive Director & Co-Founder, Asian Pasifika Arts Collective), **Heang Tan** (Deputy Commissioner, Office of Aging), and **Xin (Cindy) Wang** (Chair, Baltimore-Xiamen Sister City Committee). The program will be broadcasted on **Thursday, May 19, 2022**, on the [Mayor's Facebook page](#), the [CharmTV Facebook page](#), or the [Mayor's Instagram page](#) at the handle @MayorBMScott. Follow MIMA on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for further details as they become available.





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COVID-19 UPDATES

On May 10, 2022, Baltimore City Commissioner of Health Letitia Dzirasa strongly recommended **wearing masks indoors** due to a rise in cases over the past month.

Test to Treat

Through the federal Test to Treat initiative, people are able to get tested and—if they are positive and treatments are appropriate for them—receive a prescription from a health care provider, and have their prescription filled all at one location. Participating sites include pharmacies, care centers, and other locations, recently expanding to the State Center Vaccination and Testing Site.

To find all Test to Treat locations in Baltimore, use the [COVID-19 Test to Treat locator](#).

Reporting at-home test results

With an increase in transmission and at-home testing, residents are encouraged to report at-home positive test results through the Baltimore COVID-19 call center at (443) 984-8650

COVID-19 vaccine outreach grants

Grants are available for COVID-19 vaccine outreach through June 30, 2022.

- **Baltimore City COVAX Small Grants:** Provides additional financial support to community organizations and community leaders who are facilitating COVID-19 vaccination clinics and other COVID-19 vaccination outreach and education efforts. The total amount of the small community grants program will be \$250,000. For more information and to apply, visit the [Baltimore City COVAX Small Grants web page](#).
- **COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Fund:** Awards Baltimore community organizations and partners whose programs and/or projects seek to increase COVID-19 vaccine uptake among Black and Latinx adults aged 18-34 in Baltimore City/County. For more information and to apply, visit the [COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Fund web page](#).

COVID-19 VACCINES

All Baltimore City residents age 5 and above are eligible for vaccination! To register for the vaccine, visit the [Baltimore City Health Department's vaccination registration web page](#), available in English and Spanish. Spanish speakers can call and/or leave a voicemail with the Esperanza Center (667-600-2314) to sign up for a vaccine appointment. If you leave a voicemail, you will get a call back within 24-48 hours.





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Upcoming Community Vaccination Clinics

Immigrant & Latinx VALUE community clinics

Clinic	Date	Day	Time	Address	Vaccine
Megamart	4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28, 6/4, 6/11, 6/18	Saturdays	10am-2pm	3400 Annapolis Rd	Pfizer
Breath of God	4/30, 5/21, 6/11	Saturdays	11:30am-2pm	141 S Clinton St	Pfizer
CASA Maryland	Bi-weekly Thursdays: 4/21, 5/5, 5/19, 6/2, 6/16, 6/30 Saturdays: 5/14, 6/11		Thursdays: 4-7pm Saturdays: 2-4pm	2706 Pulaski Hwy.	All vaccines
Church of Guardian Angel	5/11	Wednesdays	9-11am	2631 Huntingdon Ave	Pfizer
Baybrook Elementary	4/21, 5/12	Thursdays	3-6pm	4301 10th St	Pfizer
Lakeland Steam	4/29, 5/20, 6/17	Fridays	9am-12pm	2921 Strand Road	Pfizer
Maree G Farring School	4/26, 5/24, 6/14	Tuesdays	3-4pm	300 Pontiac Ave	Pfizer
John Ruhrah Elementary School	4/21, 5/12, 6/2	Thursdays	3:30-6pm	701 Rapolla St	Pfizer
Digital Harbor High School	5/4, 5/25	Wednesdays	10am-1pm	1100 Covington St	All vaccines
Dickey Hill Elementary	4/20, 5/11	Wednesdays	3-5pm	5025 Dickey Hill Road	All vaccines

TESTING

Check [MIMA's Facebook page](#) every Monday for the upcoming week's testing schedule.

GET TESTED

COVID TESTS THIS MONTH: MAY 9- MAY 15

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
STATE CENTER 300 W Preston St 8AM-2PM BCCH	NOMI* 419 W Baltimore St 8AM-4PM BCCH	NOMI* 419 W. Baltimore St 8AM-4PM BCCH	FRANCISCAN CENTER 101 W. 23rd St 8AM-1PM BCCH	MEGAMART 3400 Annapolis Riv'l 10AM-1PM BCCH	STATE CENTER 300 W Preston St 8AM-2PM BCCH
GREAT BLACKS IN WAX MUSEUM 909 E North Ave 11AM-2PM BCCH	STATE CENTER 300 W Preston St 12PM-4PM BCCH	STATE CENTER 300 W Preston St 10:30 AM-1:30PM BCCH	STATE CENTER 300 W Preston St 10:30 AM-1:30PM BCCH	WEINBERG YMCA 900 E 33rd St 10AM-1PM BCCH	STATE CENTER 300 W Preston St 10:30AM-12:15PM BCCH
STATE CENTER 300 W Preston St 2:30PM-6PM BCCH				ST CASIMIR'S CHURCH 100 E 33rd St 10AM-2PM BMS	NOMI HEALTHCARE* 419 W. Baltimore St 8AM-6PM
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* At some locations, individuals who have health insurance will be asked to provide their insurance information. There should be no copays charged. Individuals without insurance will continue to receive free testing.
Due to demand for test kits, we are adjusting the distribution of rapid test kits and will no longer have test kits available at testing sites.
Bad weather can affect schedules. Check social media and [Bit.ly/BmoreTests](https://bit.ly/BmoreTests) for updates before going to a test site.

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CITY SERVICES UPDATES

To view the current status of city services, visit [the city's service status page](#).

NATIONAL HAPPENINGS

On April 21, 2022, the Biden administration announced "Uniting for Ukraine", a pathway for Ukrainian citizens and their immediate family members who are outside the United States to come to the United States and stay temporarily in a two-year period of parole. Ukrainians participating in Uniting for Ukraine must have a sponsor in the United States who agrees to provide them with financial support for the duration of their stay in the country. For more information, please see the [USCIS Uniting for Ukraine web page](#).

[Welcome.US](#) is another resource that provides plain language explanations of Uniting for Ukraine, frequently asked questions, training on how to sponsor, and other ways to support Ukrainian families.

WHAT'S NEW THIS MONTH?

¡Adelante Latina!

¡Adelante Latina! is a free, after-school academic enrichment and college access program for promising Latina girls attending Baltimore City high schools. Interested bilingual 9th grade Baltimore City Latinas with a 3.0 GPA and a dream of going to college can [contact Adelante Latina](#).

Maryland CASA Association: The Intersections of Childhood Adversity and Racial Trauma

On April 1, 2022, the Maryland CASA Association hosted its Spring Institute on the intersections of childhood adversity and racial trauma. If you were not able to attend, there are recordings of each session (3), which include: "Understanding Racial Trauma: Key Roles for Advocates", "Being Color Brave & Culturally Humble", and "Postured for Transformation". All sessions can be viewed in [English](#) and/or [Spanish](#). If you are interested in attending future trainings related to child welfare, please contact Shekinah F. Davis, DEI & Training Coordinator, at shekinah@marylandcasa.org.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer with CASA, visit the [Maryland CASA Association website](#) where you can find videos about being a CASA and read real volunteer stories about their experiences. You can also sign up on the [volunteer inquiry form](#) to learn more about the process of becoming a CASA volunteer. To learn more, go to the "[Get Involved](#)" tab on the CASA website.



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Civil Justice Inc free foreclosure, medical debt and landlord-tenant legal services

Civil Justice Inc offers many legal services for Baltimore City residents and Maryland residents.

- **Foreclosure**—Foreclosure-bound households can speak on the phone with an attorney for free (up to 1-hour) to discuss their options to save or exit their home. Sessions are funded by the Maryland Department of Housing & Community Development and open to Maryland residents. Interested clients can contact Ashia Moultrie directly at jamoultrie@civiljusticenetwork.org or 240-392-1566 to do an intake and sign up for the session. Find more information on the [Civil Justice, Inc. flyer](#).
- **Medical debt**—If you live in Baltimore City and have been sued by a hospital for unpaid medical bills, you may qualify for free representation from Civil Justice. Call 410-706-0174 to find out [if you are eligible](#).
- **Landlord-tenant**—If you live in Baltimore City and your former landlord claims that you owe unpaid rent, fees or damages, you may qualify for free legal representation from Civil Justice. Call 401-706-0174 to find out [if you are eligible](#).

Homebuyer seminars with Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC)

LEDC hosts ITIN homebuyer seminars and first-time homebuyer orientation webinars. Call or text 240-283-5739 to sign up and see the [homebuyer seminar flyer](#) (Spanish only) and [homebuyer orientation webinar flyer](#) (Spanish only) for more information.

B'more for Healthy Babies (BHB)

BHB aims to reduce Baltimore's high rate of infant mortality and improve the health and development for families and young children. For additional information regarding safe sleep and BHB, visit the [BHB safe sleep web page](#). If you are interested in having physical materials to distribute to clients, please feel free to email Jana Goins at jana.goins@baltimorecity.gov.

Baltimore City Recreation & Parks (BCRP) seeks community input

Baltimore City Recreation and Parks (BCRP) would like to get input on the activity and programming needs that the community would like to see implemented at Bocek Recreation Center. This information will be used to assist BCRP in making programming decisions moving forward. To provide input, complete the [Bocek Recreation Center Community Feedback Survey](#).

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

RFP: Advocating for Data Disaggregation

The Leadership Conference Data Equity Program is launching a grant [RFP to engage state leaders in advocating for data disaggregation](#). Maryland 501(c)(3) community-based organizations are invited to apply for advocacy and implementation grants to support data disaggregation in race and ethnicity data collection at state and federal agencies, particularly with respect to health and health care, as well as social determinants of health such as education, housing, and hate crimes. Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. ET on May 26, 2022. For questions or more information, please contact Meeta Anand, senior program director of Census and Data Equity at The Leadership Conference Education Fund (anand@civilrights.org)



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bridging Maryland Latino Cultural Fair

Bridging Maryland will be hosting a Latino Cultural Fair on May 14, 11am-3pm at Curtis Bay Elementary School. See the [English Latino Cultural Fair flyer](#) and the [Spanish Latino Cultural Fair flyer](#) for more information.

Komite Ayiti Haitian Flag Day Celebration

Join Komite Ayiti for a Flag Day Celebration, including a vaccination clinic, on May 14, 1-4pm in Patterson Park. See the [Haitian Flag Day Celebration Flyer](#) for more information.

Rental clinics with LEDC

LEDC will be hosting rental Clinics on May 14 and 21 from 10am-2pm at City of Refuge (3800 9th St, Baltimore MD 21225) to offer help completing applications for rental assistance, energy assistance and Water4All. See the [rental clinic flyer](#) (Spanish only) for more information.

Baltimore-Kawasaki Sister City Committee (BKSCC) Spring Picnic

Join BKSCC as they celebrate the spring of 2022. The day will start with two easy hike options and include Japanese-themed outdoor snacks. This event is open to the public, and admission is free for kids under 12. For more information and to register, visit the [BKSCC Spring Picnic Eventbrite page](#).

Centro SOL Latino Mental Health Conference and Symposium

Centro SOL will hold a Latino mental health symposium on Monday, May 16, 2022 and conference on Thursday, May 19, 2022 to share lessons learned and best practices from a three-year Centro SOL project on effective and sustainable outcomes to treat mild depression among marginalized communities. The study, symposium, and conference will provide an actionable framework to address the mental health care needs of the Latino population in Baltimore and beyond. Find more information and register for free at [Centro SOL's website](#).

Asia North 2022

Inaugurated in spring 2019, Asia North is a collaborative community celebration that recognizes, showcases, and honors the art, culture and the Asian heritage of Greater Baltimore, especially the Korean history of Baltimore's Charles North community. Visit the [Asia North website](#) or view the [Asia North 2022 flyer](#) for details on the celebration's events.

AAPI Heritage Month with Asian Pasifika Arts Collective (APAC)

Join APAC for a series of community workshops followed by our AAPI Women's Voices Theater Festival and panel discussions that address important issues within the AAPI Community. See dates, times, locations, and up-to-date information at [APAC's website](#).

BCRP upcoming events

See the [BCRP Community Engagement eNewsletter](#) for a list of upcoming events. For event registration and to stay up-to-date with these events and more, visit the [BCRP website](#) and follow their Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram with the handle @Recnparks.



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

[NEW] [Medical Office Assistant \(Bilingual\)](#), BCHD

[Housing Education Coordinator](#), LEDC

[Bilingual Housing Counselor, Maryland](#), LEDC

[Bilingual Housing Counselor, Baltimore](#), LEDC

[YouthWorks Unit Supervisor - Bilingual Spanish/English](#), MOED

[Mobile Career Navigator - Bilingual Spanish/English](#), MOED

[Public Relations Officer](#), MOED

[Therapist Case Manager \(Bilingual- English/Spanish\)](#), Healthcare for the Homeless

[Refugee Program ESL Specialist](#) - Baltimore City Community College

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City's COVID-19 response?**

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