



ORANGE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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SHERIFF-CORONER DON BARNES

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Sheriff's Department to resume limited visiting in OC Jails

SANTA ANA, Ca. (March 25, 2021): The Orange County Sheriff's Department on Friday, March 26, will resume limited visiting at the Orange County jails.

Due to successful COVID-19 mitigation efforts in the jails and the County of Orange being designated as a "red tier" county, the Sheriff's Department has established visiting protocols keeping the safety of those in custody, Department personnel, and visitors a top priority.

"We understand the value of visitation and know those in our custody and their loved ones have been impacted over the last year as we navigated the challenges of COVID-19," said Sheriff-Coroner Don Barnes. "We look forward to reinstating visiting in a way that is safe for all."

The Sheriff's Department temporarily suspended visiting in March 2020 based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and in consideration of the Sheriff's Department's COVID-19 prevention efforts.

Over the last year, the Department routinely assessed the feasibility of safely reintroducing visiting days. With COVID-19 considerations in place, inmates will now be able to schedule one visit a month.

The Sheriff's Department will continue to reassess procedures to determine further expanding visiting practices.

VISITING PROCEDURES

Visiting at all facilities is by appointment only. No walk-ups will be accepted. Members of the public wishing to visit an inmate must call and make an appointment at the facility the inmate is housed at currently. The phone numbers to schedule a visit at each facility are listed below.

Newly booked inmates under mandatory 14-day quarantine and those housed in medical isolation or quarantine will not be eligible for visitation.

When calling to schedule, it is recommended to have the booking number of the inmate you wish to visit. Booking numbers can be searched through the online database link here: [Inmate Information](#). Visitors should be prepared to provide a contact phone number in case of housing changes or other incidents occur that may affect the visit.



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Two adults and two minors will be permitted to visit any one inmate.

All facilities will require face coverings and have screening procedures in place. Face coverings will not be provided. Non-compliance will result in denial of a visit.

SCHEDULING A VISIT

To schedule a visit, call the facility of the inmate you wish to visit from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Visiting hours are Friday-Monday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Para hacer una cita para visitar, llame de Lunes a Viernes de las 8am - 5pm.

Intake Release Center- 550 North Flower Street, Santa Ana CA 92703

- IRC Scheduling number: **714-647-6050**
- Visitors with a scheduled appointment will line up outside the Intake Release Center lobby and maintain physical distance
- The IRC lobby will be limited capacity for those with ADA considerations
- More information: [IRC Visiting](#)

Central Jail Complex- 550 North Flower Street, Santa Ana CA 92703

- Central Jail Scheduling number: **714-647-4543**
- Visitors with a scheduled appointment will line up outside the Intake Release Center lobby and maintain physical distance
- The IRC lobby will be limited capacity for those with ADA considerations
- More information: [Central Jails Visiting](#)

Theo Lacy Facility- 501 The City Dr. S, Orange, CA 92868

- Theo Lacy Facility Scheduling number: **714-935-6202**
- Appointments must be made 24-72 hours in advance
- Visitors with a scheduled appointment will line up outside the lobby and maintain physical distance
- The Theo Lacy Facility lobby will be limited capacity for those with ADA considerations
- More information: [Theo Lacy Visiting](#)

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