

## NARA Notice 2022-22: Nixon Library Progresses; Four More Museums to Reopen to the Public

Mon, October 25, 2021



To: All Employees.

**Attention supervisors**: If you have employees who do not have access to a computer, please ensure that those employees receive a copy of this notice. This includes employees on LWOP or paid leave.

I have authorized the Richard Nixon Presidential Library at Yorba Linda, CA, to implement the workplace safety measures associated with substantial transmission levels in our Updated Reentry and Post-Reentry Plan.

Effective today, the Nixon Library is no longer subject to an occupancy limit for staff. Beginning November 1, local managers are authorized to require staff to report to the Nixon Library when they are needed for on-site work, and Nixon Library staff are no longer eligible for incentive payments for on-site work. The museum will expand occupancy to 50 percent of pre-COVID levels beginning today, and the library research room will reopen to the public at 50 percent occupancy beginning the week of November 1.

The Nixon Library is located in Orange County, CA, which has experienced weekly public health metrics of 50–99 new cases per 100,000 population and 8 percent to 9.9 percent positivity for at least the past three consecutive weeks. New case and positivity data for each NARA facility will be posted later today to the ICN COVID-19 Coronavirus Resources page here. Staff should not return to the work site until you are contacted by your supervisor and have scheduled your return.

I have authorized the following facilities to reopen their museums to the public. As a part of our Updated Reentry and Post-Reentry Plan, museums may reopen to the public at 25 percent occupancy in high transmission areas if the museum can be operated without NARA employees. These four museums join 10 other Presidential Libraries and the National Archives Museum in Washington, DC, in reopening to the public. By November 1, all NARA museums will be reopened to the public in some capacity.

- Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library in Abilene, KS, will reopen October 25.
- John F. Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston, MA, will reopen October 25.
- Harry S. Truman Presidential Library in Independence, MO, will reopen November 1.
- William J. Clinton Presidential Library in Little Rock, AR, will reopen November 1.

Please take care of yourselves and each other. If you need support or assistance coping with the stress of the pandemic, please take advantage of the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). EAP services are free, confidential, and available to all NARA employees, supervisors, and family members. EAP counselors are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by telephone 24/7 at 1-800-222-0364 (TTY 1-888-262-7848) or online at www.FOH4YOU.com. EAP information can also be found at the NARA@work EAP page.

As of today, three of NARA's 40 occupied facilities have implemented the workplace safety measures associated with substantial transmission levels. All other facilities must maintain safety measures associated with high transmission levels. NARA facilities may progress from high to substantial transmission if they experience at least three consecutive weeks of local public health metrics associated with substantial transmission levels and only after I have authorized them to progress. We will continue to monitor local public health metrics at all NARA facilities and will reopen or close additional

facilities when local conditions require a change in NARA's operating status.

Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we carefully reopen our facilities and begin to restore our mission functions and operations, where appropriate.

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