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## Alameda County Updates Vehicle-Based Gathering Order

**ALAMEDA COUNTY, CA** – When the Alameda County Health Officer issued the first Car-Based Gathering Order in May 2020 it was primarily to support graduations and religious and cultural events. With increasing interest in car-based gatherings for live performances and entertainment, Alameda County public health officials have reviewed the Vehicle-Based Gathering Order and determined that updates to this Order would add minimal additional risk to attendees and performers if appropriate safety measures are in place.

Effective September 14, 2020, Alameda County's updated <u>Vehicle-Based Gathering Order</u> will permit live performances including entertainment like musical, theatrical, and artistic performances, lectures, presentations, movie showings, as well as religious and cultural ceremonies.

The Order will also increase the maximum number of vehicles allowed from 200 to 400 and will permit the sale of concessions at events with restrictions, including requirements that concessions be purchased in advance and for pick-up during assigned times to avoid gathering in lines.

The updates to this Order will help accommodate requests from the arts community and event spaces like the Alameda County Fairgrounds and the Oakland Coliseum.

Alameda County Public Health Department will issue additional guidance and hosts of all live performances over 200 vehicles are required to submit a <u>Live Performance Plan</u> to <u>COVIDRecovery@acgov.org</u>. The plan will include requirements for face coverings, temperature and symptoms screenings, physical distancing and cleaning and sanitization.

Events that were calendared before September 14 must submit their plans two weeks before the event. Events calendared after September 14, must submit their plan four weeks in advance of the scheduled performance.

Occupants of the vehicle must be from the same household and remain in the vehicle. For clarity, an enclosed vehicle does not include a motorcycle, a convertible with the top open, the open rear floor of a pickup truck, a vehicle with no doors, or a bicycle.

Alameda County reminds its residents to continue to please wear a mask in public, wash your hands regularly, keep at least six feet of physical distance when in public, and limit mixing with people outside your household.

