



Sacramento County *COVID-19 Halloween* For Residents

*A safe Halloween may look and feel a little different this year, but you can still **enjoy Halloween in your own neighborhood**, while reducing the risk of spreading COVID-19. Here's how:*

All the usual Halloween precautions (see back) need to be in place, but this year, stay in your own neighborhood, along with:

FACE COVERINGS – You will need to wear a face covering – so why not make it fun! Have your child select their own face covering and then decorate it together to match the costume.

SOCIAL DISTANCING – When out trick-or-treating, travel only with your household members, be sure to maintain 6 feet of social distance from others, and make interactions brief.

HYGIENE – Keep from transferring the virus by washing hands often, use hand sanitizer and wait until hands are clean before digging into the candy, and again before eating the candy. Also, don't touch your face, or share costume props or food. Be sure to clean/disinfect high-touch surfaces. And, of course, if you feel sick or could be contagious, you must stay home and away from others.

BE READY FOR TRICK-OR-TREATERS – In an outdoor area such as a porch or driveway: set up a table to hand out candy using candy-grabber or tongs; make treat bags and hang them from streamers outside; or place a bowl of candy and bottle of hand sanitizer at the end of the driveway/walkway. Always wear a face covering around others and practice hand hygiene.

CELEBRATE CREATIVELY – Host a virtual Halloween “watch” party with online video/chat and have best costume or craft project contests; have a Halloween movie night with household members either at home or drive-in; do reverse trick-or-treat by dropping off small gift bags on your neighbor's porch; put on trunk-or-treat on your street with socially distanced parked cars in driveways; coordinate a contact-free neighborhood scavenger hunt; organize a neighborhood car parade or socially distanced costume parade for best decorations/costume and give treat bags or toss candy

NO-NO's – This year it is important that you do not travel to other neighborhoods to trick-or-treat. Don't have trick-or-treaters walk up to your door to hand out candy. Gatherings with individuals outside of your household are not allowed in Sacramento County while the county has been designated in a restrictive County risk level Tier by the State. This is for your safety and for the safety of others. If you disregard – at the very least, do it smarter – keep gatherings small, outdoors, wear face coverings and with only those in your “regular bubble.”

Get official details of the Sacramento County COVID-19 Halloween Guidance at [SacCounty.net/COVID-19](https://saccounty.net/COVID-19)

P.S. Make Every Halloween a Treat, Not a Trick

Inspect – All treats for tampering

Be Alert – While driving or Trick-or-Treating

See and Be Seen – Use reflective tape and flashlights

Keep Pets Safe – Bring them indoors with I.D. collar and current license tags

Give Only Commercially Wrapped Treats – And consider giving healthier or non-food items



Día de los Muertos: The safest way to celebrate is with household members or virtually, to include: Placing altar in a front window or outside, or create a virtual space to honor lost loved ones and share via email or social media. For cemetery visits, only visit with those you live with, wear masks and maintain social distancing. Limit time spent to minimum necessary.