

《洛杉矶对付大型聚会有新招：断水断电》

新冠肺炎疫情正在美国洛杉矶肆虐，但当地仍有不少民众无视防疫规定在房屋内举行大型聚会。为了对付一些“不听话”的民众，该市想出了新招：给举行大型聚会的房屋断水断电。



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The mayor of Los Angeles has said the city will be authorised to shut off water and power to properties where large parties and gatherings are held despite restrictions imposed to curb the spread of coronavirus.

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The order targets repeat offenders who have hosted large gatherings several times during the pandemic, Mayor Eric Garcetti said Wednesday.

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It's meant to deter them from hosting parties or events in the future, during a period of the pandemic when California continues to lead the country in coronavirus cases.

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Eric Garcetti said house parties had become "nightclubs in the hills" and that the focus would be on gatherings "posing significant public dangers".

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The rule comes into force on Friday.

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Starting this Friday, if the Los Angeles Police Department responds and confirms that a large gathering is taking place at a property, they'll give notice and request that the city's Department of Water and Power shuts off service to that property within the next two days.

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"This enforcement is not focused on small and ordinary gatherings in people's homes. These are focused on the people determined to break the rules, posing significant public dangers and a threat to all of us," Garcetti said during a Covid-19 news conference.

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Garcetti called the parties "super-spreader events," attended by "super-spreader people."

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California is the worst-affected US state with over 532,000 Covid-19 cases.

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