

Purpose of this Guide

Photos and testimonials help share the impact of the Love Your Heart event across San Diego, the United States and Mexico. This media will be used on the *Live Well San Diego* website and social media channels as well as in the annual [Love Your Heart Report](#).

Photo Waiver

The majority of Love Your Heart sites are hosting public screening events which permits general photos to be taken of participants without permission. However, since you will probably be working in a small space, please be mindful of cultural norms – some people do not like to have their photograph taken or appear in photos without their permission.

For this event, sites should get consent from all persons (staff, volunteers, participants) who pose for a close-up photo or provide their testimonial for use by the County of San Diego Love Your Heart Team. English and Spanish versions of the media release form are found in this guide.

Please note that your organization may have their own requirements for consent to use the photos on your organization's social channels, but if you plan to send the picture to us, then we require consent for staged/posed pictures.

Best Practices for Capturing Photos & Testimonials

First, introduce yourself to the staff and volunteers working at the site and let them know who you are and why you are there. You can start by asking if you can take their picture and if they would be willing to tell you a little about why they are participating in the event. Let them know that you will be asking participants to take photos and share their experience, as well.

To avoid skewing the blood pressure results, please do not approach a participant until after they have completed the blood pressure screening process. Some people can get nervous when asked to take a picture or give an interview which can increase blood pressure.

After the blood pressure has been recorded and nurse consultation given, introduce yourself to a participant and ask if it would be ok to take their picture getting their blood pressure checked. Please be sure to get parental consent before taking photos with children in them.

After the photo, ask if they would be willing to tell you a little more about why they decided to get their blood pressure checked today. If the site is busy, ask the participant to join you away from the screening area for the interview. If they refuse the interview but agree to the photo, ask if it would be ok to use their photo for social media posts and in the *Live Well San Diego* upcoming Love Your Heart summary report and have them sign the waiver. If they refuse, we may not use their image or quote.

Testimonials can be collected by writing down responses, recording an audio clip with the voice recording app on your phone, or by taking a short video.

Types of Photos Needed

Volunteers

- Medical volunteer taking BP of participant of varying ages
- Medical Volunteers in a group smiling (diverse group of genders/ethnicities are encouraged)
 - With stethoscopes or blood pressure cuffs
 - In scrubs or wearing their nursing school gear
- General Volunteers (diverse group of genders/ethnicities are encouraged) standing at their check in table

Participants

- Diversity of ages, ethnicities, genders
 - For example – a young Asian, male medical volunteer taking the blood pressure of an older Black, female participant

Testimonials

Question Prompts for Volunteers:

- Medical volunteer
 - Why did you volunteer to check blood pressures for the Love Your Heart event?
 - Why is it important for individuals to get their blood pressure checked?
- General volunteer
 - Why did you decide to volunteer for Love Your Heart?
 - Do you think this event is making an impact in the community?

Question Prompts for Participants (people getting their blood pressure checked):

**** Not all questions below need to be asked, select 1-2 for your interview.***

****We are looking to get at least one quote from female and male participants of varying ages.***

1. Why did you decide to get your blood pressure checked today?
2. You do not need to disclose your numbers, but in general, were you surprised by your blood pressure reading?
3. Who are you getting your blood pressure checked for? Who do you want to “be there” for?
4. Why is it important to you to participate in Love Your Heart and get your blood pressure checked?
5. Were you aware of the importance of blood pressure on heart health before the event?
6. What would you say to encourage a friend or family member to get their blood pressure checked?

Submitting Content or Questions

Please submit all content and media release forms to LoveYourHeartSD@sdcounty.ca.gov. You may also contact the same email for any questions regarding submission of content.



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MOVIE AND/OR SOUND RECORDING
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(Person appearing in photograph)

of _____
(Address)

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Date: _____

Signature: _____
(Person appearing in photograph)

Parent’s Signature: _____
(If a minor is photographed)

Project:



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PELÍCULA, VIDEOCINTA, Y/O DE GRABACIÓN SONORA**

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Proyecto: _____