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As Mayor, my priority is the health and well-being of the citizens of Broadview Heights. I would like to thank everybody for doing their part by keeping distance and staying home during this difficult time. There is strong evidence that in doing so reduces the transmission of the Coronavirus.

Shred Day, scheduled for Saturday has been canceled, however, there is another Shred Day scheduled for August 29. Please check our website, Twitter, or The Mayor's Weekly Message for any additional updates on events, meetings, closures, etc.

In addition to Police and Fire, City Hall remains open. All department directors are available to address any concerns or questions during regular business hours of 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. Feel free to call City Hall during those hours at 440-526-4357. I am also in my office and available, please do not hesitate to call or email me.

Mayor Sam 440-526-3651 salai@broadview-heights.org

The City of Broadview Heights will also like to provide the following update: Coronavirus Update from Cuyahoga County Board of Health 040220 (PDF)

Information regarding the Coronavirus can be found at:

Centers for Disease Control: www.cdc.gov Cuyahoga County Board of Health: www.cdc.gov

Ohio Stay at Home Order: AMENDED OHIO STAY AT WORK ORDER (PDF)

COMMUNITY SHRED DAY HAS BEEN CANCELED. Due to the most recent COVID 19 update, the Broadview Heights Shred Day that was scheduled on Saturday, April 4, is now CANCELED. Our next Shred Day is scheduled for Saturday, August 29 from 9:00AM-12:00PM.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY DROP-OFF HAS BEEN CANCELED. Due to the most recent COVID 19 update, there will be no Habitat for Humanity drop-off on April 11. Please check back in July for a new date!

NOTICE REGARDING THE QUARTERLY BROADVIEW HEIGHTS UTILITY BILL:

Due to the pandemic, THE CITY WILL <u>NOT</u> BE ISSUING THE 1ST QUARTER 2020 BILLS. The 1st and 2nd quarter 2020 Broadview Heights Utility Bills <u>WILL BE COMBINED TO ONE BILL</u>. The next bill will be issued as of 6/30/2020 and the due date will be 7/31/2020. The 1st quarter portion will appear as "PREVIOUS BALANCE". <u>NO 1ST QUARTER PENALTY WILL BE ASSESSED</u>. Should you have any questions, please call the Finance Department at 440-717-4025 or email <u>utilitybilling@broadview-heights.org</u>.

THE BROADVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD BANK is in need of non-expired/non-perishable food items. Specific items that are needed: pasta, pasta sauce, boxed potatoes, rice or rice mixes, canned meat, oatmeal, cereal/breakfast bars, nuts, shelf stable milk and milk substitutes, canned stews, peanut butter and jelly, and canned fruit. Please bring the items to the Leo H. Bender Community Building. There is a labeled bin by the front entrance. Your generosity is appreciated by all who are served.

CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS CLOSINGS: The Senior Center, Recreation Center and City playgrounds will remain closed until further notice. No Mayor's Open Hours until further notice, as well.

CITY MEETING CANCELATIONS: Please Note: Planning Commission Meetings, GPZ Meetings and BZA Meetings have been canceled until further notice.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT: Please note, that disinfectant wipes (for example Clorox, Lysol...) are not to be flushed down toilets. These wipes are not made to breakdown. Please dispose of in your garbage. Thank you!

PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING YOUR LOCAL BROADVIEW HTS.

RESTAURANTS during the COVID19 pandemic. For a full list of local restaurants and links to their websites, <u>please visit this link</u>. Here is the direct link in case you need it: <u>Support your local Broadview Heights Restaurants</u>

RITA NOTICE: The Ohio Tax Commissioner extended the due date for filing and payment of state income tax, which in turn has extended municipal income tax filings and payments. Municipal income returns and payments for tax year 2019 with a due date of April 15, 2020 have been extended to July 15, 2020. Estimated payments for the first and second quarters of tax year 2020 have also been extended to July 15, 2020. If you have any questions please contact the Regional Income Tax Agency at 440-526-0900 or 1-800-860-7482.

A MESSAGE FROM NORTH ROYALTON CITY SCHOOLS: The health, safety and well-being of the students and staff at North Royalton City Schools is a priority and we are closely monitoring the spread of COVID-19. We will continue to update this page with updates and resources for our school families as it is released. Please check this page regularly as it will change: NR Schools Coronavirus Update.

DON'T LET THIEVES SNATCH YOUR COVID-19 STIMULUS MONEY: Important information from Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost regarding <u>COVID-19 stimulus payments</u> from the federal government.

A MESSAGE REGARDING SCAMS TO BE AWARE OF: Warnings regarding an outbreak of scams related to the Coronavirus.

From Dave Yost, Attorney General: <u>Scam Warning from Dave Yost</u> From Sherrod Brown, Ohio Senator: <u>Scam Warning from Sherrod Brown</u>

<u>CORONAVIRUS</u>: <u>RESOURCES FOR PROPERTY OWNERS</u>: Resource to provide property owners with assistance during the COVID-19 crisis.

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB & FAMILY SERVICES on how to file for Coronavirus & Unemployment Insurance Benefits: Ohio Department of Health Coronavirus and Unemployment Insurance Benefits

AVAILABLE JOB OPENINGS: This is a hard time for many who have suddenly been laid off or will be soon. Multiple area businesses are still open and are hiring now. Below are some resources lists developed by some of our partners that might help during this time:

- * Amazon openings start at \$17.00/hr for thousands of positions in Northeast Ohio. Find out more at Amazon Jobs.
- * Ohio Covid-19 Job Search Database
- * Greater Cleveland Partnership INGEAR Employers Now Hiring
- * Greater Akron Partners Resource Guide
- * Apply online with Ohio Means Jobs

UPCOMING EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE!

- RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Mon., April 13 from 1:30PM-6:00PM at the Broadview Heights Community and Recreation Center
- **SAFETY TOWN REGISTRATION** Fri., May 1 from 4:00PM-5:30PM at the Broadview Heights Kloka Training Facility (Across from the Police Department)
- GREENE ACRES COMMUNITY GARDEN GENERAL MEETING Sat., May 9 from 10:00AM-12:00PM at Broadview Heights City Hall
- <u>SENIOR TRIP "JAWS WITH PAWS, VINEYARDS AND HORSEIN" AROUND"</u> Tentative date set for Fri., May 15 (Please contact Human Services if you are interested)

HUMAN SERVICES

The Human Services Department has the ability to contact members via telephone with the specific information through My Senior Center. Due to COVID-19, we are now using this system to reach out to interested members to provide updates through a phone call, which also serves as a wellness check. Please do not confuse this with the City's Code Red system. Code Red is used by the city of Broadview Heights to communicate to all registered residents - My Senior Center is only for people registered with the Human Services Department. If you would like to be added to our Human Services database system, please contact the office at 440-526-4074.

The Human Services Department is working with We Thrive Together and other organizations across Northeast Ohio to create some great online programming for anyone who wishes to participate. A variety of programming is being offered, including support groups, bingo, exercise classes, cooking and baking classes, trivia, presentations, and much more. You'll find a full list of programming on WetThriveTogether.org. After registering for an event, you'll receive instructions to join the online program either by telephone or any internet-ready device. To RSVP for any event, email Alyssa - alyssa@WetThriveTogether.org or call (440) 478-5640 | (216) 339-2005

Below is information compiled by our Advocacy Coordinator, Maridell Couture:

SNAP - Governor DeWine has announced that SNAP recipients are able to shop on line and have their EBT card scanned while remaining in their car. If a store doesn't have the technology to do curbside, they will need to enter the store to pay with goal to have less exposure than shopping in store.

Other food aid - \$8.8 million dollars was released to the Ohio Dept. of Aging to distribute to the state's 12 area agencies on aging to help meet the needs of older adults during this health crises.

Stimulus Checks - Checks will be direct deposit using 2018 and 2019 tax returns and will be issued mid-April on. Those without direct deposit will be issued paper checks beginning May 4. Anticipated to be issuing 5 million checks per week and could take up to 20 weeks. Checks will be issued in reverse order with those with lowest incomes receiving first. Those who haven't filed a tax return will have to submit a simple tax form (name, SS#, dependents) to the IRS. Ohio legislators and others appealed the original plan that it would include those receiving Social Security and SSI that was removed - they will receive a stimulus check without taking any action. Payments are not taxable with no plans for paying back and are being called "rebates". The IRS will develop a portal by end of April/May to check on status of check.

Stimulus Check amounts:

\$1200 per individual with adjusted gross income under \$75,000 \$2,400 for couples with adjusted gross incomes under \$150,000 \$500 per child up to age 17 (no provisions for dependent college students over 17)

Those taxpayers who haven't yet filed their 2018 or 2019 tax forms should do so now to receive the stimulus check. Time estimates are fluid as the process is unfolded and best estimates.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Recreation Department is available to answer any questions regarding future programs and events! Please contact Ryan at Rmeyer@bhrec.org for any questions or inquiries.

Attention! Please click here for more information regarding the Parks and Recreation Department COVID-19 update as of 3/25/2020.

WEEKLY UPDATE ON THE S.R. 82-WIDENING PROJECT: The City of Broadview Heights intends to provide updates on a weekly basis regarding the status of the Route 82 Widening Project in a commitment to be as transparent as possible within our community.

Current details: State Route 82 Widening Project (PDF)

GREEN ACRES COMMUNITY GARDEN in Broadview Heights is an organic garden since 2013. The 2020 garden season has available plots which are 4 x 10' and are \$30 for the first plot and \$20 for a second plot, based on availability. Visit the website www.GreeneAcres.org and download the 2020 Registration Packet. Complete and mail in as soon as possible. For further information, email Noreen at MsNoreen@att.net.

REMINDER NO OVERNIGHT PARKING ON CITY STREETS: Codified Ordinance section 452.05(c) (1) prohibits parking on city streets between the hours of 3:00AM and 6:00AM. Per Codified Ordinance section 452.20 (a), signs are posted at city limits.

MILITARY DISPLAY

The Broadview Heights Community and Recreation Center is proud to house a military display, recognizing Broadview Heights residents who have served or are currently serving in the U.S. armed forces. We are truly proud of our residents and their selfless dedication, bravery, and sacrifice to our nation. If you are a veteran and would like your military information to be included, please advise your Rank, Name, Branch of Service, Years of Service, and if you are a War Veteran, please indicate the war you served in. You can provide your information to cityhall@broadview-heights.org.

NO MAYOR'S OPEN HOURS until further notice. Thank you!

SAMUEL J. ALAI, MAYOR CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS 440-526-3651