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COVID-19 UPDATE #19

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The Town of Carleton Place continues to monitor new information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

MUNICIPAL UPDATES

Ocean Wave Fire Company

The Fire Departments of Lanark County will be implementing a [**TOTAL OPEN-AIR BURN BAN**](#) as of Thursday, April 2nd, 2020 until further notice. The ban applies to all open-air fires.

Carleton Place Business Improvement Association - Local small business needs your help!

In need of retail therapy? Need some wine or local beers? Need a fitness fix? Downtown Carleton Place can help. We are all in this together and more now than ever we need to support each other. [Downtown Carleton Place](#) promotes safe shopping. That means shopping locally online or over the phone with free local delivery and curbside pickup. Please consider shopping online or over the phone locally.

Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA)

Please do not flush wet wipes, paper towel, facial tissue

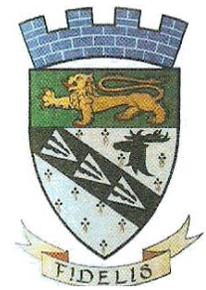
Prevent costly emergency repairs to sewer infrastructure by flushing only human waste & toilet paper.

As the COVID-19 situation continues, Carleton Place is experiencing issues with residents flushing items such as wet wipes, paper towel and facial tissue. When these items are flushed, they can cause pipe blockages and sewage overflows in homes and businesses. They can also cause costly, serious issues in our wastewater system, including damage to important equipment. Service disruptions could occur as a result. Now more than ever, we need to focus our financial



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and staffing resources on supporting our community – rather than on dealing with preventable emergency repairs.

The only things that go down the toilet are the 3Ps: Pee, Poo & Toilet Paper. No exceptions!

Even items labelled “flushable” should not be flushed because they do not break down like toilet paper does. If you have any questions about where to dispose of something, please contact the Town of Carleton Place Public Works Department (613) 257-2253. With your help, we can keep our wastewater system running smoothly and our community’s resources focused where they are needed most.



LEEDS, GRENVILLE AND LANARK DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT UPDATES

Outbreak found in Stoneridge Manor in Carleton Place

The Health Unit is working with Stoneridge Manor in Carleton Place to manage a COVID-19 outbreak. More information is available on the [Stoneridge Manor COVID-19 outbreak](#).

“I have full trust in the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit to guide us through the outbreak at Stoneridge Manor. It is critically important, now more than ever, to follow the Government’s guidelines on social distancing and to stay home unless it is absolutely necessary to go out,” says Mayor Black. “I understand that this news could cause anxiety in the community. Please continue to check in on your friends, family and neighbours via phone or social media. Lanark Leeds & Grenville Mental Health has a crisis line you can call if you need someone to talk to. They can be reached at 1-866-281-2911.”

The best way to get reliable information about COVID-19 is by visiting www.healthunit.org. Please call the Health Unit if you have any questions at 1-800-660-5853 x 2499 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. every day. You can also get important public health updates by connecting with LGLHealthunit on Facebook and Twitter.



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LANARK COUNTY UPDATES

Lanark County has received authorization from the Province of Ontario to open two licensed childcare centres in Perth and Smiths Falls specifically to provide [care for children of essential and critical service workers](#). Application forms and more information can be found on the Lanark County Website <http://www.lanarkcounty.ca/Page1993.aspx>.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES

More information was released on the [Emergency Wage Subsidy Program](#) including eligibility periods and how to apply. To help businesses keep and return workers to their payroll through the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, proposed the new Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy which would provide a 75% wage subsidy to eligible employers for up to 12 weeks, retroactive to March 15, 2020.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES

To stop the spread of COVID-19 and keep people safe, the Ontario government is launching a new \$50 million [Ontario Together Fund](#) to help businesses provide innovative solutions or retool their operations in order to manufacture essential medical supplies and equipment, including gowns, coveralls, masks, face shields, testing equipment and ventilators.

Attorney General Doug Downey [announced emergency action to support victims of crime and protect frontline staff](#) who continue to uphold the administration of justice in response to COVID-19. Funds will help frontline staff respond to challenges caused by the COVID-19 crisis and enhance access to immediate supports for victims, including extended hotels stays, and transportation and meal vouchers available through the [Victim Quick Response Program Plus \(VQRP+\)](#).

LOCAL HOSPITAL UPDATES

Covid-19 Assessment Centre Opens In Almonte

A [new COVID-19 Assessment Centre](#) is now open in Almonte. The Centre is being operated by physicians and staff from Almonte General Hospital, Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital and Lanark County Paramedic Service, in partnership with the local health unit.

