

# Corporation of the Town of Carleton Place

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## **COVID-19 UPDATE #42**

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

## **MUNICIPAL UPDATES**

### **Burn Ban Continues**

The Ocean Wave Fire Department would like to remind residents the Province has imposed a provincial-wide burn ban, therefore, no fires, including fires to burn brush and branches, are permitted at this time.

## **FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES**

The governments of Canada and Ontario are [investing up to \\$2.5 million](#) to help the agri-food sector expand online, providing more opportunities for producers to grow their business and offer more food choices for families who are shopping from home during the COVID-19 outbreak.

## **PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES**

In order to keep Ontarians safe during this COVID-19 outbreak, our government is [extending the closure of Ontario's provincial parks and conservation reserves to May 31, 2020](#). This includes car camping, backcountry camping, roofed accommodations, day use opportunities, access points and all public buildings.



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The Ontario government is introducing [new and amending some emergency orders](#) under subsection 7.0.2 (4) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* to better support Ontario's long-term care homes and deafblind community. The orders would allow for the redeployment of staff to ensure they can work where they are needed most during the COVID-19 outbreak.

In recognition of the dedication, long hours and increased risk of working to contain the COVID-19 outbreak, the Ontario government is [providing frontline staff with a temporary pandemic payment](#).

## **OTHER UPDATES**

### **Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit**

#### **Alcohol Use Increases during COVID-19 Pandemic**

According to a [NANOS poll](#) commissioned by the Canadian Centre on Substance Use, Canadians self-reported an increase in alcohol use while spending additional time at home because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Feelings of stress, boredom, along with changes to daily and weekly routines were cited as the top reasons for this increase. Other contributing conditions were loneliness related to physical distancing measures and having more alcohol in the home due to purchasing larger amounts and stockpiling.

The [BounceBack](#) program may help. This free program, for ages 15 and up, helps to develop coping techniques to overcome challenges and regain positive mental health.

