

LOCAL COVID-19 UPDATES

Stay Informed with the RM Review's NEW COVID-19 Webpage which is Updated Daily
www.rmreview.net

Local Communities

All Towns and Villages have now instituted the same measures as required by Provincial and Federal Health orders. Check for updates on their Website, Facebook Page, Twitter or Instagram.

- **Municipal Offices** are closed to public traffic but most still operating with restricted hours.
- **Civic Facilities** are all closed. (community halls, arenas, curling rinks, museums)
- **Wheatland Library** locations are closed.
- **Medical Services** (Dental, Optometrist, Chiropractic, Massage Therapy and Podiatry clinic are closed.
- **Daycares** are limited to 8 children.
- **Churches** are closed but many are offering phone, social media and video services.
- **Canada Post** locations are open with limited access to in store services and reduced operating hours.
- **Retail Stores** (clothing, gift shops, etc.) can not offer public services but many are available on-line.
- **Banks** remain open with many access restrictions.
- **Insurance Offices** are closed in some communities. You can still access SGI insurance at MySGI.ca or call your local insurance office for more details.
- **Bars and Restaurants** are now closed to public use, but can offer take-out food and alcohol with two-metre distancing between customers. Any licensed restaurant or lounge can now offer off sale alcohol.
- **Grocery Stores** are open but many have restricted access, limited hours, seniors hours and delivery.
- **Gas Stations** are open with limited hours, access restrictions and pay at the pump where available.
- **Family Gatherings** are no longer allowed except with members who reside in the same house
- **Limit of 10 people** at public & private gatherings
- **Travelers** returning from international travel are required to self-isolate for 14 days. Penalty of \$2,000.
- **Parks & Playgrounds** are all closed to public

Canadian Federal Support

www.canada.ca/en/departement-finance/economic-response-plan

Individuals

CANADA CHILD BENEFIT (CCB)

Extra \$300 per child through the CCB for 2019-20 as part of the scheduled payment in May. If you already receive CCB benefit you do not need to re-apply.

GST BENEFIT

One-time payment in May for low income families of close to \$400 for individuals and \$600 for couples. If you are eligible, you will get it automatically.

EXTRA TIME TO FILE INCOME TAX

Filing due date deferred until June 1, 2020 and new balances due deferred until after August 31, 2020. If you receive GST or CCB benefits do not delay filing to ensure your entitlements are properly determined.

MORTGAGE SUPPORT

Six monthly mortgage payments deferral may be available from your lenders. Deferred payments are added to the outstanding balance and repaid throughout the life of the mortgage.

PEOPLE FACING UNEMPLOYMENT

Taxable benefit of \$2,000 a month, up to 4 months to:

- Workers who must stop work due to COVID19 and do not have access to paid leave or income support.
- Workers who are sick, quarantined, or taking care of someone who is sick with COVID-19.
- Working parents who stay home without pay to care for sick children or because of school/daycare closures.
- Workers who have employment but not being paid because insufficient work/asked not to come to work.
- Wage earners and self-employed individuals who would not be eligible for Employment Insurance.

Accessible through web portal, automated telephone line or via a toll-free number starting in early April.

SENIORS SUPPORT

Reduced minimum withdrawals for RRIF's by 25%

STUDENTS & RECENT GRADUATES

6 month interest-free moratorium on student loans.

Businesses

WORK-SHARING PROGRAM

Extended maximum duration of the Work-Sharing program from 38 weeks to 76 weeks for workers who agree to reduce their normal working hours.

WAGE SUBSIDIES

Three month wage subsidy of 10% of remuneration paid during that period, up to a maximum subsidy of \$1,375 per employee and \$25,000 per employer.

ACCESS TO CREDIT

\$10 billion in support for small and medium-sized businesses, through the Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) and Export Development Canada (EDC). Contact your financial institution.

SUPPORT FOR FARMERS

Farm Credit Corporation (FCC) has put in place:

- Deferral of principal and interest payments up to six months for existing loans; or
- Deferral of principal payments up to 12 months

- Access to an additional credit line up to \$500,000, secured by general security agreements. Call your local FCC contact or call Customer Service Centre at 1-888-332-3301 (toll-free) or 1-306-780-8900. or go to www.fcc-fac.ca/en/covid-19.html

INCOME TAX PAYMENT

All businesses can defer, until after August 31, 2020, the payment of any income tax amounts owing on or after March 18 and before September 2020. No interest or penalties accumulate during this period.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

For information on Prevention & Risks, Symptoms & Treatment, Preparedness Planning, Travel Advice and Updates on case numbers, monitoring and news go to www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases.

The Government of Canada provides daily information at www.canada.ca/coronavirus. The COVID-19 hotline is 1-833-784-4397

Saskatchewan Provincial Support

www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources

SELF-ISOLATION SUPPORT

Workers forced to self-isolate, and who are not covered by recent federally announced employment insurance programs and other supports, may qualify for \$450 per week, for a maximum of two weeks or \$900.

PROVINCIAL UTILITIES

Crown utilities will implement bill-deferral programs allowing a zero-interest bill deferral for up to six months.

PROVINCIAL SALES TAX

Saskatchewan businesses who are unable to remit their PST due to cashflow concerns will have three-month relief from penalty and interest charges. Call the tax inquiry line 1-800-667-6102 or SaskTaxInfo@gov.sk.ca

ALLOWABLE BUSINESS SERVICES

A list of critical public services and allowable business services has been created to inform the business community of which businesses can continue to operate in accordance with social distancing practices. If you have questions on the status of your business contact the Business Response Team at 1-844-800-8688

COVID-19 PRODUCTS & SUPPLIES

If you are a Saskatchewan business, innovator, or supplier and you think you have a solution that can help us fight COVID-19, contact procurement@gov.sk.ca.



Take-out Available for you Every Day

Mon-Sat 10 - 8 Sun 10 - 7

NEW

Frozen Pizzas

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Four Delicious Choices

Pepperoni, Deluxe, Hawaiian, All Meat

Save 10% off baked price

Full Menu is Available
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Vanscoy
306 - 931 - 6996



THE ASQUITH HOTEL

NEW HOURS

11am - 9pm Every Day

Take-out Food and Liquor Vendor/Offsale

306 - 329 - 4499

The Asquith Hotel

Delisle - Vanscoy United Church

Garage Sale

and

Fabric Sale

Scheduled for April 18 have been cancelled.

We are no longer accepting donations of fabric at this time.

Thank you for your support.

We will advise if we reschedule.

Asquith, Delisle Vanscoy and Pike Lake area **Book Your Garden TODAY!**

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