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Remember -  
our fallen heroes.  
They are the reason  
that we are free.

The City of Broadview Heights invites everyone to remember our fallen heroes by attending our Drive-Thru Memorial Day Parade. Come see the military trucks, parade floats, miniature ponies, and the amazing signs that were made by residents. The parade starts at 10am and goes until noon on Memorial Day. The parade is located on the city campus, 9543 Broadview Road. The parade entrance is the driveway off of Oakes Road, spectators will drive through the city campus following directional signs and exit off of Broadview Road. I look forward to seeing you there!

Stay safe and stay healthy,  
Mayor Sam  
440-526-4357  
Salai@broadview-heights.org

### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#### **PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE AS OF 5/22/2020:**

We are aware that the Governor has set specific dates that certain facilities and programming CAN open/resume. Along with these dates, come industry specific guidelines that we must be able to adhere to. We have been doing our due diligence in reviewing all of the various Parks and Recreation related guidelines to determine our re-opening plans. We are accessing each facility and program individually and will be providing updates on how we plan to proceed as the information becomes available. All plans are subject to change as needed. The most current updates are listed below.

- **RECREATION CENTER:** Although recreation facilities are permitted to open on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, The Broadview Heights Community & Recreation Center will **NOT** be opening on this date. We are currently finalizing plans to re-open our facilities in compliance with all established guidelines. When we do open, our highest priority will be to offer a safe and enjoyable experience for our patrons. We currently anticipate an opening date of Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Operations will be different when we open. The operating hours will be temporarily adjusted to 7am to 8pm on weekdays and 9am to 4pm on weekends. Facilities that will be opening with limited capacity will include: Fitness Center (the fitness equipment has been spaced out and there are now 3 different areas throughout the building offering fitness equipment), Track (limited to runners only, walkers will be permitted to use the lower level hallways), limited areas of the pool (no slide, basketball, rock wall, play features, steam

room/sauna), and the gymnasium (limited to one person per hoop). New policies and procedures will be in place within each area. All visitors must adhere to the posted guidelines, mandates and safety recommendations. If there are issues with compliance, visitors may be asked to leave &/or facilities may be closed. We understand there are some members who would want to resume their membership as soon as possible and that there are other members who may not want to resume their membership now while the facility is operating under additional guidelines and reduced capacity. Due to that, as well as the restriction on the available facilities and the restrictions on capacity, there will be a **new online registration system** in place which will allow patrons to pay a drop in fee to reserve a timeslot to utilize the facility. Reservations will be limited to patrons 15 years of age and up. Memberships will NOT be extended and re-activated while we are operating under reduced capacity and with limited availability. All patrons who wish to utilize the facility during this time will need to use our **temporary** online registration system and pay a drop-in fee to reserve a specific time slot for a specific area within the building. More detailed information regarding the new operating guidelines, rules and policies and the registration system will be forthcoming.

- **MEMBERSHIPS:** Memberships will continue to remain “on-hold” while we are operating under the reduced capacity guidelines. Once additional guidelines/mandates are lifted and the capacity is able to be increased, memberships will be extended by the amount of time we were closed/operating under limited capacity. If members prefer to cancel their membership and receive a household credit in lieu of the “hold” on their pass, they can request a household credit by completing the online refund request form and selecting “household credit”. The form is available on our website at [www.bhrec.org](http://www.bhrec.org) and the direct link is available here: <https://broadview-heights.org/FormCenter/Parks-Recreation-4/refund-request-form-73>. Per our membership policies, there are no refunds on memberships. The current options are to continue to have your membership on-hold/then extended or to receive a household credit to be used for any future use of facilities or programs.
- **PRESCRIPTION FITNESS - PERSONAL TRAINING:** Personal Training will be available when the facility is open.
- **GROUP EXERCISE (INCLUDING SILVER SNEAKER CLASSES):** Updates on group exercise and Silver Sneaker classes will be posted as they become available. The Broadview Heights Group Exercise Passes continue to remain “on hold” and pass expirations will be extended by the amount of time we are closed/not providing classes. We will be working to bring the group exercise and Silver Sneaker classes back, while maintaining compliance with all established guidelines, as soon as possible.
- **SUMMER CAMP:** Given the restrictions listed in the guidelines regarding Day Camps, we have determined that we will not be able to provide the typical enjoyable Summer Day Camp experience that our customers have come to expect. We have made the difficult decision to cancel the Summer Camp program for 2020. Refunds will be processed for all registered participants.
- **YOUTH BASEBALL/SOFTBALL/TEE BALL:** We do not feel it is possible to administer these programs while maintaining compliance with all of the established guidelines for baseball/softball. Refunds will be processed for all registered participants.
- **TRAVEL BASEBALL/SOFTBALL:** We are awaiting additional guidance and more information will be released as it becomes available.
- **ADULT SOFTBALL:** We do not feel it is possible to administer these programs while maintaining compliance with all of the established guidelines for baseball/softball.
- **BROADVIEW HEIGHTS SUMMER LACROSSE PROGRAM:** Has been cancelled. Refunds will be processed for all registered participants.
- **SWIM LESSONS:** If you registered for swim lessons that were to take place April through August, you have received a household credit to be used in the future. If you would like to request a refund instead of a household credit, you can complete the online refund request form at [www.bhrec.org](http://www.bhrec.org) under “forms”.

- **MAYOR ALAI'S 5K AND THE COMMUNITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** These events are currently being postponed and we hope to be able to offer them at a date later than originally planned.
- **OTHER PROGRAMS/EVENTS:** All other programs and events are still currently being postponed until further notice. We continue to work through the updates and will provide additional information as it is available.
- **FACILITY RENTALS:** New facility rental contracts are not currently being accepted for 2020. We are awaiting additional guidance on rentals and more information will be released as it becomes available.
- **SPLASH PARK:** The Splash Park will remain closed for the 2020 season.
- **OUTDOOR FACILITIES:** City playgrounds, athletic fields, and basketball courts remain closed until further notice.
- **TENNIS COURTS:** Will re-open on Tuesday, May 26th. Guidelines, mandates and safety signage will be posted. All visitors must adhere to the posted guidelines, mandates and safety recommendations. If there are issues with compliance, visitors may be asked to leave &/or facilities may be closed. Please review the tips and recommendations being provided by the United States Tennis Association (USTA) for playing tennis safely prior to visiting the tennis courts:  
[https://www.usta.com/content/dam/usta/sections/midwest/pdfs/general/18266\\_USTA\\_COVID19\\_PlayingTennisSafely-Poster%20v3.pdf](https://www.usta.com/content/dam/usta/sections/midwest/pdfs/general/18266_USTA_COVID19_PlayingTennisSafely-Poster%20v3.pdf)
- **PICKLE BALL:** An update will be provided as soon as possible.

#### **WHILE VISITING OUR OUTDOOR FACILITIES, PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- Per an order issued by the Ohio Department of Health, ALL PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS ARE CLOSED.
- Athletic fields and basketball courts are currently closed.
- Tennis – see tennis court update above.
- The ODH is requiring that individuals must at all times or as much as reasonably possible, maintain social distancing of 6 feet from any other person with the exception of family or household members.
- All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, with the exception of household or family members.
- Any gatherings of 10 people or more is prohibited.
- Stay home if you are sick and practice good hygiene. Wash your hands after touching surfaces. Avoid touching your face. Sneeze or cough into a tissue or the inside of your elbow. Place garbage in trash receptacles.

**Information regarding COVID-19 can be found at the Ohio Department of Health:**

[www.coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov)

Please check [www.bhrec.org](http://www.bhrec.org) for additional updates which will be posted as soon as the information is available.

**We are doing everything we can to re-open facilities and re-start programs that we can while maintaining compliance with all State and Local guidelines. We thank you, in advance, for your patience as we work through this process. Questions or comments please email: [recinfo@broadview-heights.org](mailto:recinfo@broadview-heights.org).**

#### **LOCAL BROADVIEW HTS. BUSINESS, BOWTIE MEDICAL PERFORMING COVID-19 ANTIBODY TESTS ON CITY CAMPUS FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS:**

Local Broadview Hts. Business, BowTie Medical, will be using the front parking lot of the Broadview Hts. City Campus to perform Covid-19 Antibody tests via drive-thrus for both their commercial and individual customers. Tests are being administered on a pre-appointment only basis. Individuals interested in scheduling an appointment to be tested, please visit BowTie Medical's

link <https://bowtiemedical.com/individual-testing/>. For any employers interested in providing testing for

their employees, you can learn more using the link: <https://bowtiemedical.com/employertesting/>. For more details or any questions please contact [info@bowtiemedical.com](mailto:info@bowtiemedical.com).

**PLEASE BE AWARE...**Scammers are contacting people claiming to be tracing COVID-19 contacts. While legitimate health agencies, including the Cuyahoga County Board of Health and the Cleveland Department of Public Health are calling people to complete contact tracing, they will never ask for your Social Security or Bank Account information. Do not click on links or respond to texts saying you have been exposed to COVID-19. Please report suspicious calls or texts to <http://ConsumerAffairs.CuyahogaCounty.US> or call 216-443-SCAM.

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTS ARE NOW OPEN TO VISITORS.** Please note that only **ONE PERSON** will be admitted at a time into these departments. Thank you for your cooperation as we aim to keep our residents and employees safe.

### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Permit applications are still being accepted. All applications should either be mailed or dropped off in Building Dept. drop box located on the first floor of the Recreation Dept. However, if personal assistance is needed we are now allowing residents and contractors to the Building Department one guest at a time. Note that a mask will be required to proceed into building. Dropped off plans will be reviewed and applicants will be called about permit fees. We are open from 8:30AM-4:30PM M-F. Thank you for working with us during these unprecedented times.

**SAFETY TOWN REGISTRATION AND SUMMER SESSIONS HAVE BEEN CANCELED.**

**SPRAGUE ROAD CONSTRUCTION NOTICE:** Construction will be starting on Sprague Road starting on Tuesday, May 12. Please see the following notices for more information. Thank you.  
[SPRAGUE ROAD CONSTRUCTION NOTICE \(PDF\)](#) and [SPRAGUE ROAD DETOUR \(PDF\)](#)

**CITY EVENTS UPDATE:** Please see the following link to the City website for City Event Updates - [CITY EVENT UPDATES](#).

**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 \(PDF\)](#)

**RECYCLING REMAINS VIABLE AND AVAILABLE IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY:** In light of recent news regarding the City of Cleveland's recycling practices, the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District would like residents to know that this situation pertains to the City of Cleveland only. Broadview Heights recycling is being recycled. Please see the following for a statement from the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District: [Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District Link](#)

**DONATIONS FOR MASKS NEEDED:** Cuyahoga Valley Church has recruited about 15 people to make homemade masks for families and local hospitals. In two weeks, they've made over 500!  
Items Needed: More materials...especially elastic and cotton fabric! Please drop off donations at Cuyahoga Valley Church – 5055 East Wallings Road. There is a bin on the front steps. Thank you!

### **HUMAN SERVICES**

Every May, the Human Services Department observes Older Americans Month. The theme for 2020 is "Make Your Mark." This theme was selected to encourage and celebrate countless contributions that older adults make to our communities. This year we are **MAKING OUR MARK AT HOME!!!** Please take a look at an activity to celebrate YOU!!!! Please click on the following link to read more about it - [Older Americans Month Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

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](tel: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 [WeThriveTogether.org](http://WeThriveTogether.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@WeThriveTogether.org](mailto:alyssa@WeThriveTogether.org) or call (440) 478-5640 | (216) 339-2005

## SERVICE DEPARTMENT

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PROPERLY DISPOSE YOUR HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE!** There has been an increase in hazardous household waste being improperly dropped off at the Broadview Heights Service Garage. Please note that certain items cannot be left at the Service Garage for disposal. Please go to the below links for more information on how to properly dispose of many of these hazardous items. For questions, please call the Service Department at 440-717-4022.

<https://cuyahogarecycles.org/RecyclableDetail.aspx>

<https://oh-broadviewheights2.civicplus.com/1027/Garbage-Recycling>

**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!

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**COVID-19 BUSINESS RESOURCES:** Economic Development has established a compilation of resources that may assist your business, you and your family on a wide range of topics from disease control, workforce issues, best practices, unemployment, financial resources and more. Please go to [our COVID-19 Resources page on the City website by clicking here to view.](#)

**OPEN FOR BUSINESS:** We've compiled a master list of local restaurants and retailers remaining open in our community to serve you. **PLEASE ACCESS IT HERE** and consider shopping within this local list when possible to help support our community during this difficult time. On behalf of our business community, thank you for your support!

**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](#)

## ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

**Native seed and plant sales** - We sell native seeds all year long and the spring native plant kit sale went great. The page ([Native seed and plant sales](#)) is open for the Fall sale (orders are due by July 17).

**Ohio Native Plant Month** - We are in the middle of the first Ohio Native Plant month. Each day we are posting a native plant of the day on [our facebook page](#). We also have a great video on "[Native Plants in My Garden](#)" featuring 5 native plants in my garden and what conditions are needed so they grow successfully.

**Outreach materials** - Remember, all the outreach materials are on [dropbox](#) including the three rack cards. Hard copies of those along with our newsletter will be delivered (or most likely mailed) to you at the beginning of June.

**Individual Acts of Conservation** - We may be keeping away from each other, but TOGETHER we can still make a difference for our local soil, water, wildlife and neighborhoods. See our [Individual Acts of Conservation page](#) for how you can report back on all the good you are doing for our environment. This is also a part of a virtual Earth Day celebration we are joining with other agencies.

**Let the Flare See the Air!** - We need YOU to help us save trees. Ever since the practice of volcano mulching came on the scene, we are losing hundreds of trees a year. We want to identify locations where this is happening and assist them in fixing the problem and make better choices in the future. This officially launches next Thursday during Arbor Day week, [but take a look now!](#)

### **NOTICE REGARDING THE QUARTERLY BROADVIEW HEIGHTS UTILITY BILL:**

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

**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.

**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 City of Broadview Hts. Community Building, 9543 Broadview Rd. 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.

**DON'T LET THIEVES SNATCH YOUR COVID-19 STIMULUS MONEY:** Important information from Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost regarding COVID-19 stimulus payments 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: [Scam Warning from Dave Yost](#)

From Sherrod Brown, Ohio Senator: [Scam Warning from Sherrod Brown](#)

[Coronavirus: Common Scams to Watch Out For](#)

**CORONAVIRUS: RESOURCES FOR PROPERTY OWNERS:** 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](#)

**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](#).

## **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](mailto:cityhall@broadview-heights.org).

**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.

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

**SAMUEL J. ALAI, MAYOR**  
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