



News Release

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Town of Altona Response to COVID-19: Release #2

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The Town of Altona Local Emergency Management Group met today to review actions that have already been taken on a local level to increase social distancing and reduce risk around COVID-19, as well as to discuss the next steps.

The Town of Altona has already taken the following steps:

- Closure of the Millennium Exhibition Centre to the public.
- Suspension of recreation programming
- Closure of the Public Works Shop and Fire Hall to the public

Next steps from the Town of Altona:

Effective immediately, the Town of Altona Administrative Office will be closed to the public. If you require access to the Administrative Office, please call ahead at 204-324-6468 to make alternative arrangements. Submitting water meter readings can be done over the phone, online, or via mail. If you are unable to submit your water meter reading by any of those methods, you may drop off your water meter reading card to the drop-box located outside the Civic Centre. If you have any other inquiries regarding access to the administrative office or services, the Town of Altona Administrative Office can be reached at 204-324-6468, or by email at info@altona.ca.

Effective immediately, the Altona Police Service asks that the public avoid coming to their office for non-urgent matters. If you have a non-urgent matter, have a general question, or wish to speak with an officer, please call their office

at 204-324-5373, or after hours at 204-324-5353. Alternatively, you can send your inquiries by email to police.services@altona.ca. If you require fingerprints for a background check, please note that this service is being postponed until further notice. If you require a criminal record check, please call the Altona Police Service Office, and the service will be assessed on a case by case basis. As always, if your call is an emergency, please dial 911.

Effective immediately, the Town of Altona Landfill is closed to the public, with limited access available to contractors.

All of these steps are in place to ensure the safety of our community, our staff, and the protection of essential services by increasing social distancing. We will continue to be hard at work delivering all essential services, and will keep you informed. The Town of Altona encourages you to practice excellent hygiene, avoid crowds, and find new ways to connect with your community. Social distancing does not need to mean loneliness. As we work together to flatten the curve and slow down the spread of COVID-19, call your neighbours, chat with your friends virtually, and find new ways to socialize while maintaining distance.

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