



MAYOR BYRON W. BROWN

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MAYOR BYRON W. BROWN ANNOUNCES IMPORTANT UPDATES TO BUFFALO'S RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Buffalo, NY - Mayor Byron W. Brown and the City of Buffalo continue to work to ensure public safety, prioritize the health and welfare of residents and visitors, and reduce circles of exposure to COVID-19 in our community.

Today, Mayor Brown stated, "I am here in beautiful Delaware Park, just one of Buffalo's many great parks here in the City of Buffalo, to exercise with my wife, Michelle. While I've been working round-the-clock since the start of this situation, it is still important to maintain good health. Even though we all have concerns during these uncertain times, maintaining good physical health will help lessen stress and sustain our ability to stay positive. I encourage residents who are not in vulnerable populations, have consulted with their physicians and been told there is not a significant risk, to exercise to the extent you can."

THE FOLLOWING LIST INDICATES THE LATEST UPDATES, CHANGES AND REMINDERS TO CITY OF BUFFALO GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS THAT AFFECT THE PUBLIC, EFFECTIVE THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020

The CDC is expected to announce newer guidelines as it relates to parks; we will make sure people are made aware of any changes through BuffAlert. Reminder: All City parks are still available for passive uses only.

- While in the parks, please continue to practice social distancing for the safety of others and to prevent community spread of COVID-19
- All playgrounds, golf courses, skate parks and park buildings are closed until further notice
- Park workers and Police are monitoring for compliance so please stay off of equipment and practice social distancing

The Spring Bulk Trash pickup, scheduled to start on April 4th has been postponed.

- A revised schedule will be released in the near future
- Please do not place bulk items at the curb at this time; it will not be picked up
- Debris left at the curb will be subject to fines

Mayor Brown is thankful that Tesla C-E-O Elon Musk plans to utilize the South Buffalo plant to assist in the production of ventilators to address the shortage of the nationwide shortage of that critically needed medical device.

- Buffalo workers are responding and will be mobilized to help fight this international emergency

More news on the jobs front, Mayor Brown was proud to report that the Buffalo Employment and Training Center has been hearing from several local companies looking to fill positions right now.

- If you or someone you know is looking for employment assistance, contact the Buffalo Employment Training Center at 856-JOBS/buffalony.gov/jobs

ConnectLife says it has had to cancel over 60 blood drives in the past week and there is still an urgent need for blood donations.

- To make an appointment, call 716-529-4270 or connectlifegiveblood.org

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