



## BARRINGTON TOWNSHIP COOK COUNTY

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March 23, 2020

Dear Township Residents,

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak and Governor Pritzker's Executive Order, Barrington Township Office is closed to the public. We will be manning the phones from **9am-12pm M-F**. Our office number is **(847) 381-5632**.

Staff is working remotely and will be checking emails regularly.

**Regular Township Services:** [anykaza.bartwp@gmail.com](mailto:anykaza.bartwp@gmail.com)

**Assessor Services:** [barringtontwp.appeals@gmail.com](mailto:barringtontwp.appeals@gmail.com)

We are accepting donations for our food pantry, food can be left in waterproof container at back door. If you would like to donate a gift card or make a monetary donation, please call us at **(847) 381-5632** to make those arrangements. We are encouraging those that would like to donate, please consider purchasing gift cards from our local restaurants to help our small businesses & donate them to the pantry. We are always grateful for Jewel, Heinen's and gas gift cards.

If you are in need of food, please contact us and make an appointment to pick up a pre packed bag of food.

We want to take this time to make you aware of the recent "shelter-in-place" or "stay-at-home" order just enacted by Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker, taking effect at 5 PM on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup>. Many of you may have questions as to what this means in our daily lives as we get through this COVID-19 outbreak.

To slow the spread of the coronavirus, residents are asked to stay in their homes—known as "shelter-in-place". Public health officials have recommended residents avoid gatherings and maintain a distance of at least six feet apart. The idea of shelter-in-place is to ensure residents are following the social distancing recommendations.

**Necessary Services will stay open.**

The fundamental building blocks of our communities will not be closing: Grocery Stores, Banks, Veterinary, Hospitals, Healthcare Providers, Plumbers, Laundromats/Laundry Services and the like.

For those already taking precautions, life will not change. *Residents can still:*

- Go to the grocery store
- Go to the pharmacy for healthcare necessities
- Go to their medical appointments
- Go on a walk, run or hike
- Walk your dog
- Care for a relative or friend
- Practice Social Distancing at all times

**A KEY IN COMBATING THIS VIRUS IS TO FOLLOW THE THREE Cs:**

- **COVER** your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze and throw tissues out in a lined can.
- **CLEAN** your hands often. Wash with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- **CONTAIN** the spread of the virus by staying home— “shelter-in-place”

*Working cooperatively together this should help in protecting our more vulnerable citizens. Thank you for doing your part.*

In Barrington, **CVS and Walgreens** are open. **Jewel** is open and is instituting "senior hours" on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00-9:00 a.m. **Heinen's** is also open, with senior hours from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

These hours are for our elderly population and those who are immuno-compromised. Please do your part to respect these times for those who are most vulnerable in our community.

Any Questions on District 220 Schools, please go to [www.barrington220.org](http://www.barrington220.org).