



*City of Sarnia*

***MEDIA RELEASE***

DATE: June 29, 2020 RELEASE DATE: Immediate

FROM: City of Sarnia Primary Control Group

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update – June 29

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The Sarnia Primary Control Group (SPCG) met via teleconference on June 29, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. regarding developments related to the COVID-19.

The Government of Ontario has extended all emergency orders currently in place under s.7.0.2 (4) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* until July 10, 2020. This will assist the Province in ensuring a safe and gradual reopening as we move through the stages of the [Framework for Reopening the Province](#).

The outbreak declared at Bluewater Health is now over. One active outbreak remains in Sarnia-Lambton, at Afton Park Place in Sarnia.

As a result of the City's COVID-19 Cost Mitigation Strategy, the ability to reopen, maintain and provide Parks and Recreation services and programs has been impacted.

Greenspaces and sportsfields are open for limited use by residents, within provincial regulations. Summer registrations for activities such as pools, day camps, bookings for baseball diamonds, arenas or sportsfields for the month of July are currently unavailable. Permits and exclusive use agreements are not available at this time.

Regular recycling and waste collection will continue on Wednesday, July 1. Please have waste safely put out by 7 a.m. For the most up-to-date information on collections, download the [Recycle Coach app](#) for personalized set-out reminders and the 'What Goes Where' sorting tool.

As a reminder, place all personal protective equipment, such as gloves and masks, and personal hygiene and sanitary products – including wipes and tissues – in the garbage. Do not place these items in the blue box.

The Sarnia Canada Day Committee has created plans to celebrate Canada Day 2020 on a smaller scale and virtual, given this year's in-person July 1st Canada Day Celebrations have been cancelled due to COVID-19. Please visit the City's website for details: <https://www.sarnia.ca/sarnia-canada-day-celebrations-2/>

Sarnia Transit & Care-A Van will not operate on July 1, 2020. Service will resume on Thursday, July 2, 2020. Additional details are available online: <https://www.sarnia.ca/transit-updates/>

Throughout the pandemic, stay up to date with the City's latest response efforts by frequently checking <https://www.sarnia.ca/covid-19/>. Please visit the City's website [www.sarnia.ca](http://www.sarnia.ca), [Facebook](#), and/or [Twitter](#) for additional updates.

As of 9:30 a.m. on June 29 the SPCG can report that:

### **[Summary of COVID-19 cases in Lambton County](#)**

Test Results Received (as per last available daily update)	12,080
Percent of Test Results Positive	2.4%
Confirmed Cases	285
Recovered Cases	254
Number of Related Deaths	25
Active Cases	6
Current Active Outbreaks	1
Resolved Outbreaks	8

### **By-Law Enforcement COVID-19 Reporting System**

Total number of complaints and inquiries received	1,162
Total number of emails received	958
Total number of phone calls received	204
Total number of fines issued	5

### **Lambton Public Health**

- If you are in distress do not go to an Assessment Centre. Call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.
- If you think you may have COVID-19 symptoms or have been in close contact with someone who has symptoms, please self-isolate and use

the Ontario Self-Assessment Tool to determine if you need to seek further care.

- Local COVID-19 testing information is available online:  
<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/testing-criteria/>
- To view detailed reports of COVID-19 cases in Lambton County visit:  
<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/summary-of-covid-19-cases-in-lambton-county/>

### **Provincial**

The Government of Ontario has extended the [Declaration of Emergency](#) currently in force under s.7.0.2 (4) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act until [July 15, 2020](#).

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**For further information, please contact:**

#### **City of Sarnia COVID-19 Hotline**

[covid@sarnia.ca](mailto:covid@sarnia.ca) or 1-877-4-SARNIA (1-877-472-7642) or 519-332-0932

#### **City of Sarnia, Customer Service**

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