

Chittenden County Municipal Government Response to COVID-19

June 11, 2020, 12 pm **New Information is in Red**

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<p><b>Bolton –</b>  <a href="http://boltonvt.com/emergency-management/">http://boltonvt.com/emergency-management/</a></p>	<p>The Bolton Town Office will reopen for research <b>by appointment only</b> beginning on Monday, June 1. Research will be limited to title searches, research for surveys and other complex research.</p>	<p>Planning Commission, Development Review Board, Selectboard, and Economic Resource Committee are meeting remotely. The Energy Committee, Capital Planning Committee, and Conservation Commission are not meeting to date.</p>	<p>Bolton Potholes is CLOSED for safety per order of the Town of Bolton and Vermont River Conservancy                      Preston Pond Conservation Area trails are closed</p>		<p>Email for house needing help or seeking to volunteer -- <a href="mailto:HELP@boltonvt.com">HELP@boltonvt.com</a></p>
<p><b>Burlington -</b>  <a href="https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19">https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19</a></p>	<p>All City buildings are closed to the public. Guide to city services on website <a href="https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19/cityservices">https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19/cityservices</a></p>	<p>Board, Commission, and Committee meetings are cancelled or meeting remotely. The City Council passed an emergency resolution - \$1 million allocation to resource both the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the new COVID-19 Resource and Recovery Center (RRC).</p>	<p>Some parks facilities are open including dog parks, tennis courts, pickleball courts, and the Skate Park. Playgrounds and basketball courts remain closed, and leagues and other organized games are not restarted.                      Suspending disconnections of municipal utility services for non-payment until further notice.</p>	<p>Online dashboard provides city COVID-19 information <a href="https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19/dashboard">https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19/dashboard</a>.                      Two emergency regulations passed related to enforcement of the Governor's emergency order, and the creation of the shared streets for social distancing.</p>	<p>Online Resource and Recovery Center to volunteers and those needing assistance <a href="https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/Resources">https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/Resources</a></p>
<p><b>Charlotte –</b>  <a href="https://www.charlottevt.org/">https://www.charlottevt.org/</a></p>	<p>The Town Hall is closed to the public. However, the clerk's office is open for title researchers and notary services by appointment. Most services can be provided by phone, email, US Mail or fax.</p>	<p>The Selectboard is meeting remotely and has authorized other board to meet remotely.</p>	<p>The Charlotte Senior Center and the Charlotte Library are closed until further notice. The Senior Center is offering online classes using Zoom and the Library is offering virtual services.</p>		
<p><b>Colchester -</b>  <a href="https://www.colchestervt.gov/3193/COVID-19Town-Services">https://www.colchestervt.gov/3193/COVID-19Town-Services</a></p>	<p>The Town offices/Town is now open to the public by prior business day appointment for services that cannot be provided over the phone, email, or web access.                      Guide to town services on website <a href="https://www.colchestervt.gov/3193/COVID-19Town-Services">https://www.colchestervt.gov/3193/COVID-19Town-Services</a>.</p>	<p>Most Town boards and commissions meetings are meeting remotely or are cancelled.                      Authorized Town Department Heads to extend permitting deadlines by 90 days should there be COVID-19 relate delays, which avoid the automatic issuance of permits per State law.</p>	<p>With the exception of crucial municipal services municipal departments will be working remotely. Recreation programs and before/after school care are suspended. The Library is closed to the public but is delivering online services. Wi-Fi is available in the parking lot.</p>	<p>Parks remain open according to State guidelines. Due to Park staff reductions maintenance and upkeep of the Town's 14 parks, beaches, trails, cemeteries, and municipal grounds will be reduced.                      Waste/recycling receptacles will not be available. Park playgrounds are closed. Other amenities such as tennis/pickleball courts, basketball courts and skateboard park may be used with proper physical distancing.                      Summer camp preparations are taking place considering modifications.</p>	<p>Link for those needing assistance or wishing to volunteer. Colchester Helping Colchester -- <a href="https://colchesterhelping.colchestervt.us/welcome">https://colchesterhelping.colchestervt.us/welcome</a></p>
<p><b>Essex and Essex Junction -</b>  <a href="https://www.essexjunction.org/">https://www.essexjunction.org/</a>  <a href="https://www.essex.org/">https://www.essex.org/</a></p>	<p>Town of Essex and Village of Essex Junction staff are resuming in-person services where permitted by Gov. Scott's latest addendum. The Clerk's Office will be open for land record searches by appointment. Town office staff is working split shifts. Public Works field staff has returned to regular work schedules with staggered shifts. Other departments are working remotely.</p>	<p>Essential Selectboard and Trustees meetings will continue online and will be live streamed by Channel 17. All upcoming board/ commission/ committee meetings that do not require important business or deadlines are cancelled. On 4/14 Essex and Essex Junction each passed resolutions addressing evictions, foreclosure, lease renewal, healthcare spension, utility suspension, interest on late payments, and other items.</p>	<p>Fields, courts, skatepark, and disc golf are open. Playgrounds, pavilions, and the designated dog park are closed. Indian Brook Reservoir is open for pass holders and dogs must be leashed at ALL times. All other amenities remain closed, including playground structures. Parks, trails, and open spaces are open. Brownell and Essex Free libraries offer curbside service for materials loaning. The Essex Senior Center will be closed until further notice.</p>	<p>The Village of Essex Junction Board of Trustees and the Essex Westford School District (EWSD) Board agreed to mail ballots to all active voters in Essex and Westford.                      The Village of Essex Junction Annual Meeting and community dinner on April 1, as well as ballot voting on April 14, have been postponed.</p>	

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<b>Hinesburg -</b> <a href="https://www.hinesburg.org/">https://www.hinesburg.org/</a>	Town Hall is closed to the public and all meetings and functions have been cancelled until further notice. All Recreation programs have been cancelled including those that were scheduled at other locations in town. Town Hall staff will be available to assist the public by phone or via email.	The Selectboard is conducting their meetings remotely. Contact the Town Administrator's office for remote connect information.		School meal information on town website.	Link to volunteer coordination via google docs on town website.
<b>Huntington -</b> <a href="https://www.huntingtonvt.org/">https://www.huntingtonvt.org/</a>	All municipal buildings are closed to the public including the Town Office, Town Hall, Library and Fire Station. Municipal business is to be conducted by telephone, email, mail, or drop box.	Town committees, boards and commissions can schedule online remote video/telephone meetings by contacting the Town Administrator.	The Public Library is closed to the public. However, residents can take out books and access e-books and audiobooks at no cost through the ListenUp Vermont.	The Long Trail System (Long Trail and all side trails) and several other trail systems on state lands have been closed. All public events are cancelled or rescheduled until further notice.	Volunteer information on town website.
<b>Jericho -</b> <a href="https://jerichovt.org/boards-committees/news_feed/updated-response-to-the-coronavirus">https://jerichovt.org/boards-committees/news_feed/updated-response-to-the-coronavirus</a>	The Town Hall is closed to walk-ins. Jericho is asking everyone to do municipal business by phone, email or our drop boxes. Staff will do their best to accommodate needs without visits to the town hall. The Town Clerk will be scheduling appointments for anyone that needs to research land records.	All Board and Committee meetings have been cancelled or are being live streamed.		<b>The Jericho Summer Recreation Camp will be held this summer.</b>	
<b>Milton -</b> <a href="https://www.miltonvt.gov/396/Response-to-COVID-19">https://www.miltonvt.gov/396/Response-to-COVID-19</a>	Access to Milton Municipal Building is by appointment only. Title searchers will be allowed by appointment only. Planning and zoning and assessor switching to appointments only. Public use of meeting spaces in the Town Hall, Library, Fire Station and Police Station is suspended. Community room is closed.	Selectboard will continue as scheduled. Development Review Board Meetings will proceed on an as-needed basis. The public is encouraged to participate and engage remotely. Planning Commission, Economic Development Commission, and Conservation Commission meetings are cancelled until further notice.	<b>CSWD Milton drop-off center is open.</b> Will not be activating water shutoffs. Stopping all water meter replacements until further notice. Library is closed and library programs are cancelled. There will be no fines for overdue books. Book drop is open.	<b>Summer Camps and other in-person programs will be held with limitations and safety precautions in place.</b> Bombardier Park amenities and areas that are currently <b>closed</b> include: Playground Structures, Pavilions, GaGa Ball Pit, Outdoor Performance Center, and the Dog Park. Bombardier Park amenities that are <b>open for use with proper precautions</b> include: Tennis & Pickleball Courts, Basketball Courts, and Horseshoe Pits. Open spaces and trails at Bombardier Park, Milton Town Forest, Eagle Mountain Natural Area, Lamoille River Walk, and River Street Park are open for use.	Milton Helping Milton – online resource to connect volunteers with those needing assistance - <a href="https://www.miltonvt.gov/FormCenter/Milton-Helping-Milton-13/Milton-Helping-Milton-66">https://www.miltonvt.gov/FormCenter/Milton-Helping-Milton-13/Milton-Helping-Milton-66</a>
<b>Richmond -</b> <a href="http://www.richmondvt.gov/about-richmond/covid-19-response/">http://www.richmondvt.gov/about-richmond/covid-19-response/</a>	<b>The Town Center is closed to the public except by appointment for researchers. Researchers will not be allowed in the building if they have any symptoms or respiratory illness. All visitors to the building must wear a mask and use hand sanitizer.</b>	Town Board/ Committee/ Commission meetings will be held on their usual days and times. All meetings will be held remotely and will offer a call-in number and link to attend online.	<b>The Highway Dept. is back to normal operations.</b> The Richmond Free Library is closed to the public. The library will offer limited services such as lending of materials to patrons who reserve online or by phone. Check the Richmond Free Library website for details: <a href="https://richmondfreelibraryvt.org/">https://richmondfreelibraryvt.org/</a> Items should be returned using the drop-box.	Google doc for crowd sourced resource list is inked on town website <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/17DJMyLZR_Fk7MzaCD9AU008a61VGVvoeNs4qbVk0z3E/edit?fbclid=IwAR1zYtjZmJ379qqqSktHechiZsR-O7vcd90VgCmZWnTGFqa9VWgqpmI95M">https://docs.google.com/document/d/17DJMyLZR_Fk7MzaCD9AU008a61VGVvoeNs4qbVk0z3E/edit?fbclid=IwAR1zYtjZmJ379qqqSktHechiZsR-O7vcd90VgCmZWnTGFqa9VWgqpmI95M</a>	Link on town website for volunteers and these needing assistance to sign up. Resource list and take-out and delivery food options on town website

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<b>Shelburne -</b> <a href="https://www.shelburnevt.org/">https://www.shelburnevt.org/</a>	<b>The Town Offices and Library will be reopening on 6/15 to public access in limited fashion.</b> Town employees to wear masks when working in close proximity to others. Members of the public to wear masks when entering Town-owned buildings open to the public. The Town strongly urges everyone to wear masks when entering any public, professional, or commercial buildings where human interaction is anticipated or likely.	Boards and committees are meeting via zoom.	Library closed; staff will deliver books to patrons' cars if they call ahead to request specific titles. The Wastewater Department remains on call for issues that may arise. Buildings and Grounds will continue their cleaning and maintenance activities. Social distancing should be practiced at town parks and courts.	The Selectboard formed an Economic Advisory Committee to discussing possible steps Shelburne could take to mitigate the negative economic impact of the COVID-19 crisis. Adjusting food shelf operation to keep it open for those in need while limiting risk/exposure by limiting the number of volunteers helping. No patrons inside the building or food shelf stockroom.	
<b>St. George -</b> <a href="https://www.stgeorgevermont.com/">https://www.stgeorgevermont.com/</a>	Town office is closed until further notice to the public. The office staff will conduct business via phone and email.	Selectboard is meeting virtually.	Dog license deadline is extended to May 1		
<b>South Burlington -</b> <a href="http://www.southburlingtonvt.gov/">http://www.southburlingtonvt.gov/</a>	All City owned buildings are closed. <b>CITY CLERK</b> - By appointment only. <b>PLANNING &amp; ZONING</b> - By appointment only. Most files may be accessed electronically.	<b>PUBLIC MEETINGS</b> - With the exception of City Council and Development Review Board, all other public meetings have been cancelled. Information will be provided regarding remote participation.	All City owned buildings are closed. Information about accessing services can be found on the City's website.	Parks – Tennis courts are open. Community garden to open May 15. Camps registration is open without payment at this time. All play structures, swings and amenities are closed. All programs have been cancelled through the end of May. All community events with the Recreation and Parks Department have been cancelled through the end of May, including the Memorial Day Remembrance at Veterans Memorial Park.	
<b>Underhill -</b> <a href="https://www.underhillvt.gov/">https://www.underhillvt.gov/</a>	The Underhill Town Office is closed to the public until further notice. Office hours are by appointment only. Staff are available by phone and email during regular business hours.	Selectboard and DRB are meeting remotely. Login information is available from the town website.			
<b>Westford -</b> <a href="https://westfordvt.us/">https://westfordvt.us/</a>	<b>Town Office is open Monday, Tuesday &amp; Thursday 8:30am – 4pm.</b>	For Board and Committee meetings please contact the Chair of that group for the status of upcoming meetings.			Organizing volunteers through google docs. <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sCzKsIurlvTVGCITj20j2IML86Z4YgMnGnn7V8AiJlM/viewform?edit_requested=true">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sCzKsIurlvTVGCITj20j2IML86Z4YgMnGnn7V8AiJlM/viewform?edit_requested=true</a>
<b>Williston -</b> <a href="https://www.town.williston.vt.us/">https://www.town.williston.vt.us/</a>	The town offices are closed. Town staff stands ready to assist residents over the phone. Public use of meeting spaces in the Town Hall, Library, Fire Station and Police Station is suspended.	Essential Town Board Meetings will continue as scheduled for now. Information about remote access on town website - <a href="https://www.town.williston.vt.us/index.asp?Type=B_PR&amp;SEC={57746CC8-CF87-4CAD-B2BE-BA8BF3B7658C}&amp;DE={A7D7E316-2AFC-466D-A250-B13D1B09CFDE}">https://www.town.williston.vt.us/index.asp?Type=B_PR&amp;SEC={57746CC8-CF87-4CAD-B2BE-BA8BF3B7658C}&amp;DE={A7D7E316-2AFC-466D-A250-B13D1B09CFDE}</a>	Library is closed to the public. However, there are several storytime and discussion groups available online.	<b>Recreational facilities that are open -- Tennis/Pickleball Courts, Basketball Courts, Sand Volleyball Court, Disc Golf Course. Amenities/Facilities that are closed -- Playgrounds, Fields &amp; Restrooms, Large Skate Park Elements. CAMP information can be found on Williston's website.</b> <b>July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks will proceed. All other activities on July 3rd &amp; 4th have been postponed.</b>	Link on town website for volunteers and those needing assistance. #ActiveWilliston is a social media campaign to share and inspire members of our community with activities to do during COVID-19 social distancing. Take a photo/video of you or your household and share it on social media using the #ActiveWilliston hashtag. Or comment on posts Town social media accounts have going on this topic.

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<p><b>Winooski -</b>  <a href="https://www.winooski.vt.gov/1412/COVID-19-Information">https://www.winooski.vt.gov/1412/COVID-19-Information</a></p>	<p>Municipal buildings are closed to the public. Essential services will be maintained with minimal staffing. Service at the City Clerk's Office is by appointment only. Time with property records will be limited to two people at a time. All requests that can be done on-line or electronically will be accommodated in that fashion. Those who are able will be working remotely. All other non-essential staff will not be reporting to work.</p>	<p>Policy Commissions – Charter, Housing, Finance, Municipal Infrastructure, and Safe Healthy Connected People commission meetings will be canceled until further notice.  City Council and Development Review Board will meet remotely.</p>	<p>Police, Fire, and Public Works services remain fully operational but at minimal staffing levels.  Winooski Memorial Library – provisions for reading or viewing materials to be delivered at home or for curbside pickup at the Library. Access to ebooks and audiobooks is also available 24/7 through web resources.  All disconnections due to utility non-payments are canceled for the quarter.</p>	<p>The Winooski Farmers Market is cancelled for 2020.  Memorial Day Parade cancelled.  <b>Landry Park</b> -- Tennis court is open, Skate Park is open with group sizes of no more than 10, and physical distancing. Softball field is "open" for informal use by groups of 10 or fewer - no leagues or organized events. Playground equipment will remain closed. Portlets will not be installed at Landry Park. <b>Basketball Courts</b> will not be opened. <b>Playgrounds</b> - equipment will remain closed. <b>West Allen Street Dog Park</b> - open with a limit of 10 creatures gathered at any time. All human creatures are asked to wear masks and observe physical distancing.  <b>Community Gardens</b> - Open for the season -- group sizes to 10 or less, observe physical distancing, and wear a mask when in the garden with others. Shared tools will not be provided this year.  Winooski Senior Center is closed until further notice. Contingency plans are in place for Meals on Wheels deliveries. Downtown parking enforcement and ticketing is suspended. All non-essential inspections are suspended for the foreseeable future. Housing complaints will continue to be processed.</p>	<p>Winooski School District is collecting donations for Winooski families -- send a check made out to "Winooski School District".  City Council approved a resolution enacting an emergency ordinance to ease the financial burden for residents and businesses caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Taxpayers and utility payers who cannot pay their property tax and utility payments due to COVID-19 may find relief in the adopted provisions. The Winooski Small Business Loan Program is accepting applications. Information for those wanting to volunteer and those needing assistance on City website.  <a href="https://www.winooski.vt.gov/volunteer">https://www.winooski.vt.gov/volunteer</a>  Resources for businesses and families on website.  <a href="https://www.winooski.vt.gov/1412/COVID-19-Information-and-Updates">https://www.winooski.vt.gov/1412/COVID-19-Information-and-Updates</a></p>