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## **TOWN OF HANOVER TO CLOSE FACILITIES IN RESPONSE TO PROVINCIAL SHUTDOWN DIRECTIVE**

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**HANOVER, ON** – The Town of Hanover’s first priority continues to be the health and safety of our residents and staff. In response to the Premier’s announcement on January 3, 2022 regarding temporarily moving the province into Step 2 of its Roadway to Reopen with modifications, access to the public for certain municipal services will be affected as of 12:01 a.m. on January 5 until further notice. **This DOES NOT affect the scheduled vaccination clinics and hours at the P & H Centre. The P & H Centre will only be open on vaccination dates for those with scheduled appointments or eligible walk-ins.**

Municipal services, including; police and fire services, road maintenance, water, wastewater, waste management and landfill operations, cemetery operations, and building inspections will continue as scheduled. For further information about municipal operations and the COVID-19 situation, please visit our website at [hanover.ca](http://hanover.ca) and watch our social media posts.

The following municipal services will be affected as of 12:01 a.m. on January 5 until further notice:

### **Civic Centre (341 10<sup>th</sup> Street)**

The Civic Centre remains closed. Payments can be made to the Town through on-line banking, mail and by using the drop box located adjacent to the main doors of the Civic Centre. Visit [hanover.ca/e-services](http://hanover.ca/e-services) for further details and to access electronic services. Staff will continue to answer the phones during regular hours to provide information and support, and maintain referral services.

Appointments can be pre-arranged if necessary for permits, licences and commissioning of documents by contacting the Municipal Office Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. at 519-364-2780.

### **P & H Centre**

The P&H Centre will be closed. This will affect all regularly scheduled activities, including; public skates and drop-in skating programs, all third-party ice, carpet bowling and facility rentals, all Aquatic Centre programming including all drop-in swims, and the walking track. The P&H Centre will open for scheduled vaccination clinics. At this time, registration for our Winter 2022 swim lessons remains open and the session start and end dates will be adjusted upon confirmation of re-opening. Communication will occur with registrants when further details are known.

Our community trails system is available, but please be aware that it is use at your own risk as there is no winter maintenance from November 1 to April 30.

### **Hanover Public Library**

Hanover Public Library will be closed and providing curbside pickup by appointment during regular hours. Please return materials through the library drop box on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Calls to the

library number (519-364-1420) will be responded to by staff so please leave a message. Staff will provide assistance with choosing books and movies, setting appointments, answering general information and support questions, print and pick up service including vaccine certificate printing, virtual activities and craft kits for children, and help with using our online resources. Just call us or refer to our website at [hanoverlibrary.ca](http://hanoverlibrary.ca).

### **Launch Pad**

Programming at Launch Pad Youth Activity and Technology Centre will also be affected. Please contact [Launch Pad](#) directly to get specific details about each program.

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The Town continues to work closely with the Grey Bruce Health Unit, Hanover Hospital, health professionals in Grey and Bruce County and our neighbouring municipalities to monitor and respond accordingly to the COVID-19 situation. For details about the current status of COVID-19 in our community, and ways you can protect yourself, visit the Grey Bruce Public Health website [publichealthgreybruce.on.ca](http://publichealthgreybruce.on.ca)

The Town of Hanover would like to remind residents of the potential for the circulation of COVID-19 in our community. Individuals are encouraged to continue to be diligent and to follow the 3 W's – wash hands frequently, watch distance (ideally 2m), and wear face coverings correctly. An inherent risk of exposure to communicable diseases including COVID-19 exists in any public space where people are present. By visiting any publicly accessible facility, including our outdoor spaces, you are voluntarily assuming all risks including any risk of injury, loss, damage and possible exposure to a communicable disease, including COVID-19.

More information can be found at [ontario.ca/coronavirus](http://ontario.ca/coronavirus) or [publichealthgreybruce.on.ca](http://publichealthgreybruce.on.ca) for information from the Grey Bruce Health Unit.

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