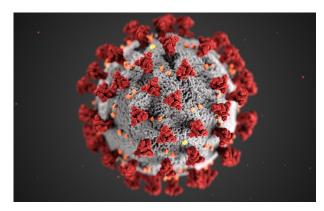
COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS): COMMUNITY PARTNERS RESPONSE



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Dear Manhattan resident,

I hope you and your family are staying safe during this challenging time. To do our best to communicate to residents, governmental agencies serving our community have compiled critical

information about what services are available, how these agencies are operating, building closures, contact information and a lot more. See the Table of Contents for more specific information.

Specifically, this document should help residents who may not have access to the internet. All of these agencies are asking residents to share information with your family, neighbors and friends in Manhattan, and to check on one another through phone contact or the recommended guidelines for social distancing. If you do have internet access, please check our village website for up to date information at: www.villageofmanhattan.org.

Finally, I want to assure everyone that the health, safety and welfare of all our Manhattan residents is of the utmost importance. Stay home, stay safe, and let's all do what we can to stop the spread of this terrible virus.

Thank you. Mayor James Doyle

A Message from Mayor, James Doyle

As you may know, Governor J.B. Pritzker has ordered a shelter in place for all Illinois residents through April 7th. This order may be extended and as information becomes available, we will pass it along to all of you.

This order closes all non-essential businesses except for grocery stores, gas stations, banks, and pharmacies. Police, Fire and Emergency Management personnel will continue to perform their regular operations.

I am in communication with state and local leaders who are providing information and guidance to municipal governments on a daily basis. I, along with Fire Chief Steve Malone, Village Administrator Kevin Sing and Police Chief Joseph Wazny, have participated and will continue to participate in Governor J.B. Pritzker's biweekly briefings.

Here are some points from these briefings:

- Cases in Illinois are rising so it is clear NO community is immune to this deadly virus. It is confirmed that several Manhattan residents have tested positive for the virus.
- If you have minor symptoms to please call your doctor. DO NOT GO TO THE HOSPITAL. They are only testing serious cases due to the shortage of tests available to medical personnel.
- Stay at home and only leave for necessary items at your local pharmacy or grocery store, to go to work or to pick-up food from a Manhattan restaurant.
- Practice social distancing if you must leave your home. Stay 6 feet apart from other individuals you may come in contact with. No hand shaking or hugging.
- Do not horde food or supplies. Buy only what you need and remember there is plenty for all of us.
- There is a temporary moratorium on utility shut offs in the state by our utility companies including here in the Village of Manhattan.
- If you are a small business owner, the small business administration is
 offering loans to help. Visit the small business administration at:
 https://disasterloan.sba.gov/. There is also help on through the State
 of Illinois Assistance which can be found under the Resources tab
 at coronavirus.illinois.gov.

 Unemployment benefits have been expanded and waiting periods have been eliminated. If you are out of work or have a decrease in pay as a result of closures, file to see if you qualify for benefits.
 To apply for Unemployment Insurance visit: https://www2.illinois.gov/

As mayor, I have also initiated bi-weekly conference calls with all Manhattan taxing bodies such as Police, Fire, Emergency Management, schools, parks, library, and township agencies. This will enable me to share vital information and keep the lines of communication open to all those that serve our community.

- If you need food assistance for <u>children under the age of 18</u>, the Manhattan School District 114 can help. Please contact Sarah Bancsy at (815) 531-3325 to arrange for the pickup of meals.
- If you need food assistance for those over the age of 18, you
 may also contact Jim Walsh, Township Supervisor, by calling
 (815) 592-2303 or the Manhattan Township office at (815) 680
 -5591.
- Village employees have been physically separated to safeguard operations and continue providing services including public safety employees who have been placed on staggered shifts.
- Garbage pickup will continue but our hauling company Waste Management has temporarily suspended pick up for bulk items. Yard Waste will begin pick-up April 1st.

If you have questions and have internet service, email questions to info@villageofmanhattan.org or call village hall at 815-418-2100.

People Who are at Higher Risk for Severe Illness:

COVID-19 is a new disease and there is limited information regarding risk factors for severe disease. Based on currently available information and clinical expertise, **older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions** might be at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

Based upon available information to date, those at high-risk for severe illness from COVID-19 include:

- People aged 65 years and older
- People who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility
 - Other high-risk conditions could include:
- People with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma
- People who have serious heart conditions
- People who are immunocompromised including cancer treatment
- People of any age with severe obesity (body mass index [BMI] >40)
 or certain underlying medical conditions, particularly if not well controlled, such as those with diabetes, renal failure, or liver disease might also be at risk
- People who are pregnant should be monitored since they are known to be at risk with severe viral illness, however, to date data on COVID-19 has not shown increased risk

Many conditions can cause a person to be immunocompromised, including cancer treatment, bone marrow or organ transplantation, Immune deficiencies, poorly controlled HIV or AIDS, and prolonged use of corticosteroids and other immune weakening medications.

If you are at Higher Risk for Severe Illness:

- Stay home if possible.
- Wash your hands often.
- Avoid close contact (6 feet, which is about two arm lengths) with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- Call your healthcare professional if you have concerns about COVID-19 and your underlying condition or if you are sick.

Village of Manhattan & Manhattan Police Department

The Village of Manhattan's buildings are closed to the public at this time. We are encouraging residents to interact electronically with us when possible. We have made changes to our normal business practices:

- Residents are encouraged to pay utility bills on our website. There is now no additional cost to pay online.
- Permits and other applications can be submitted electronically to info@villageofmanhattan.org. You can scan or take a photo of the application and attach it to the email.
- Water shut offs have been suspended.
- Waste Management will continue refuse and recycling pick up, but it is limited to contents of the can. To safeguard their drivers, they are not picking up any bulk items or items not within a garbage can.
- Our public works department is operating on a split shift to protect against infection of the entire department.
- Our Police Officers are taking additional safeguards and utilizing personal protective equipment.
- In communication with Governor's office bi-weekly
- Communicating weekly with area Will County communities

This is a emotional and trying time for many. We ask that all residents follow the Governor's orders. We need to flatten the curve of new cases.

If you are out of work, we encourage you to see if you qualify for unemployment benefits. You can contact the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES) at (800) 244-5631 or www2.illinois.gov/ides

If you own a small business and have been impacted, the Small Business Administration is offering loans to help. Some <u>loans</u> may qualify for balance forgiveness. You can find more information at https://disasterloan.sba.gov/

Building Closures and Contact Information

ALL governmental buildings have been closed to the public with staffing being reduced and other employees working remotely. If you need to contact us, please use the contact information below:



Village of Manhattan

Ph. (815) 418-2100

Hours: M-F 9:00 A.M.—5:00 P.M. Email: info@villageofmanhattan.org www.villageofmanhattan.org



Manhattan Police Department

For emergencies please dial 9-1-1

Non-emergency (need a police officer): (815) 478-3226

Administration: (815) 478-4408



Manhattan Fire Department

For emergencies please dial 9-1-1 Administration: (815) 478-3197 Email: info@manhattanfire.org www.manhattanfire.org



Manhattan School 114

District Office: (815) 478-6093 Hours: 8:00 A.M.—1:00 P.M. For Meal Distribution Plan contact: Sarah Bancsy (815) 531-3326 www.manhattan114.org



Manhattan Park District

Ph. (815) 478-3324 www.manhattanparks.org





TOWNSHIP OF MANHATTAN

230 Wabash St., Manhattan, IL 60442

Phone |: (815) 680-5591 ❖ www.manhattantownship.com



- If you are sick stay home. Limit your exposure to others as much as possible
- If you develop symptoms contact your primary doctor and let them know.
 They will have a better understanding of your overall health and any underlying risk factors you may have. Follow their direction and care plan.
 Please be sure to call them before going to their office.
- If you develop symptoms self-monitor yourself. If you symptoms become
 more severe contact your doctor for guidance. If you start to have trouble
 breathing than call 911.
- If you are sick at home try and isolate yourself away from other family members if possible. Keep to one room and one bathroom. Routinely clean high touch surfaces frequently inside your home.
- If you call 911, be sure to tell the dispatchers your symptoms and if you
 have traveled, are a healthcare worker, or have come in close contact
 with anyone who has possible or confirmed COVID-19.
- No one will be allowed to ride in the ambulance with the patient to the hospital. The exception would be a parent/guardian of a minor. There may be other case-by-case exceptions determined by the paramedic in charge.
- Please do not approach the paramedic until they are ready. The paramedics will be assessing the situation, determining the level of PPE required, and then donning the appropriate PPE. This takes time, so please be patient. They have trained to make this as fast as possible so they can begin safely treating the patient in a timely manner.
- The paramedics may have to communicate with family and bystanders from longer than normal distances. This is for everyone's safety, so please be patient with our first responders.
- We are committed to providing you the same high level of care as always.
- We have provided all of our firefighters & paramedics training specific to handling COVID-19 suspected patients.
- We have adequate supplies, as of now, to properly protect our members.



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Manhattan Food Pantry

The Manhattan Food Pantry serves the community on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month from 6:30 P.M.—7:30 P.M. (Dates subject to change)

General assistance through the Manhattan Township Food Pantry is available to any in-need resident of the Village of Manhattan and/or Manhattan Township. To arrange food pick-up, please contact Jim Walsh, Township Supervisor, by calling (815) 592-2303 or the Manhattan Township office at (815) 680-5591.

Practice Social Distancing

- ♦ DO stay at least six feet away from all other people
- DON'T visit adults over 60 years of age or anyone else who may have a weaker immune system unless you have to do so.
- DON'T let you children play in close physical contact with other children.
- ♦ DO realize that everyone is in this together.

Six Feet Away



Coronavirus TRANSMISSION







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The Manhattan Park District remains committed to our community during this time of national crisis. While our operations are closed to help prevent the spread of the virus, we recognize the importance of recreation to the mental, physical and emotional well-being of you and your family.

Visiting Our Parks

- Our parks remain open to the public for your recreational use however, time outside should be limited. In addition to the obvious physical benefits of time spent outdoors, a simple stroll through a natural setting has been shown to elevate mood and decrease stress levels.
- All playgrounds, fields and courts are closed for public use.
- While visiting our parks, follow all Social Distancing Guidelines.

Programming & Facilities

- All facilities are closed until further notice and have been thoroughly disinfected during the shutdown.
- All programs and facility rentals are canceled until further notice.
- Following the CDC guidelines, all facility rentals of over 50 people are tentatively canceled through May 9.
- Additional closures and cancellations will be determined as the crisis progresses.
- Program rescheduling and refunds will be determined as the crisis progresses. If a program is unable to be rescheduled, refunds will be provided.
- We are working on ways to keep our community connected via social media. Please follow our Facebook and Instagram pages for updates.

During this unsettling and stressful time, we encourage everyone to remember that recreation, exposure to nature, connection to your community, and having fun are essential to your family's wellness.

Be safe and stay healthy, Manhattan!



Even though the Manhattan-Elwood Public Library is temporarily closed, cardholders can still access thousands of free eBooks, audiobooks, streaming movies, magazines, games, and more by visiting www.mpld.org. Through our website, the library can still help with homework, teach using educational games, allow you to research your family tree or your next big purchase, and provide materials to help you entertain your family during these difficult times.

If you don't have a library card, apply online at www.mpld.org and we'll email you a library card number that allows you instant access to all of the Manhattan-Elwood Public Library's e-resources. Be safe and we look forward to the time we can see you in the library again.

MSD 114

Manhattan School District 114

Thank you for your extraordinary support over the past several days, as we have worked together to protect our community during the growing coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. As we already know, Governor JB Pritzker has

declared mandatory school closures for all schools effective Tuesday, March 17. Currently, we anticipate reopening on April 6 after our scheduled spring break.

Our local, state and federal officials have recommended social distancing as much as possible by staying home with our own immediate family and not promoting or hosting events that bring groups together. This may be difficult for our children to understand that play dates and other social gatherings are not recommended at this time; however, it is the right thing to do, to do our part to mitigate the spread of the virus. I do hope that the weather allows you to spend some time outdoors, as this will probably be the only activity available to families.

Finally, as a reminder, we will be providing meals beginning tomorrow. **Meal Distribution Plan:**

- On Mondays, lunches for Monday/Tuesday will be picked up at Wilson Creek Elementary between the hours of 10:30am and 12:30pm.
 This will include a hot lunch for Monday, and a cold lunch for Tuesday.
- On Wednesdays, lunches for Wednesday/Thursday/Friday will be picked up at Wilson Creek Elementary between the hours of 10:30am-12:30pm. This includes a hot lunch on Wednesday, cold lunch for Thursday & Friday.
- If you need the lunches and are unable to drive to Wilson Creek to pick
 up lunches on these two distribution days, please contact the district
 office and speak with Sarah Bancsy (815) 531-3326 or (815) 351-6941.
 Mrs. Bancsy will take down your number, your address, and the number
 of lunches for your children), and members of the school administration
 will deliver them to you on those dates.

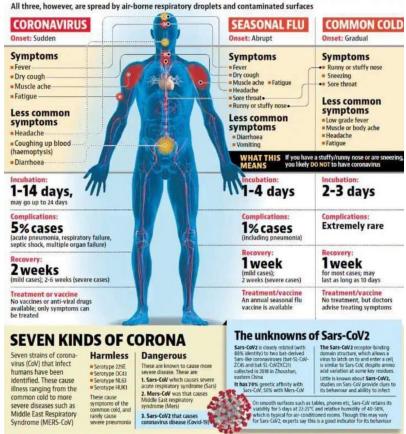
We appreciate your partnership and continued support during this time of uncertainty

What are the symptoms of COVID-19?

The symptoms are similar to the flu or pneumonia and can include a cough, fever and shortness of breath. The <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u> (CDC) believes that symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure to the virus. COVID-19 typically causes mild symptoms, and the vast majority of people will recover fully from it. However, in some cases these symptoms may develop into more serious problems, such as severe breathlessness. The CDC recommends you call your doctor if you develop these symptoms and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or recently have traveled from an area with <u>widespread or ongoing community spread of COVID-19</u>

CORONAVIRUS, FLU, COLD?

As the number of coronavirus cases rise, some key differences set coronavirus apart from the seasonal flu and the common cold — mainly the intensity of the symptoms and the recovery period. A guide at identifying the differences in the three conditions



To prevent infection and to slow transmission of COVID-19, do the following:

- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water, or clean them with alcoholbased hand rub.
- Maintain at least 6 feet in distance between you and people coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.
- Stay home if you feel unwell.
- Refrain from smoking and other activities that weaken the lungs.
- Practice physical distancing by avoiding unnecessary



Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19



Wash your hands with soap and warm water regularly.



COVER A COUGH OR SNEEZE

Cover your cough or sneeze with your sleeve, or tissue. Dispose of tissue and wash your hands afterward.



DON'T TOUCH

Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth, especially with unwashed hands.







KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.



STAY HOME

If you experience respiratory symptoms like a cough or fever, stay home.



GET HELP

If you experience symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, fever, shortness of breath), call your health care provider or local health department before seeking care.







How Can I Help?

Consider some of the many ways you might help our community navigate these unprecedented times.

Check in with your family, friends & neighbors.

Stay home if you feel sick.

Offer to lend a hand to those that are most vulnerable, like the elderly. They may not have a support network.

Shop Manhattan.

Many Manhattan restaurants are offering customers take-out or delivery options. Please check with the restaurant for the most up to date information regarding business hours and menus.

Agave Azul	China One
(Pick-up)	(Pick-up)
(815) 418-3200	(815) 478-5888

Creamery Kat's Cafe (Order on-line, pick-up, delivery)

(815) 478-0345 (815) 680-6092

Kirby's Bakery Manhattan Pizza & Wings (Pick-up & delivery) (Pick-up & delivery) (815) 478-3200 (815) 478-4500

Pizza for U
(Pick-up & delivery)
(815) 478-7878

Pizza Hut
(Pick-up)
Inside BP Gas Station

Rosati's Subway (Pick-up & delivery) (Pick-up) (815) 478-7000 (815) 478-0312

Berkot's Super Foods

(815) 478-4127

Open daily from 8:00 A.M.—8:00 P.M.

Open daily from 7:00 A.M.—8:00 A.M. for Seniors (65+) & Immune Compromised Customers. They will be allowed to shop our stores before we open to the general public.

Whitmore ACE Hardware

(815) 478-3317

Open daily from 9:00 A.M.—5:00 P.M.

Customers are encouraged to consider calling the store first for a store associate to collect your items in advance. There is always the option of ordering on-line for in-store pick-up or delivery @ www.acehardware.com.



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