PRESS RELEASE

City of Winter Park COVID-19 Update #7

WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (May 28, 2020) The City of Winter Park continues to monitor the status of COVID-19 and is working diligently to carefully reopen its amenities while following safety guidelines for each individual program and area. Below is a schedule of reopening plans:

CITY HALL
June 8
• City Hall reopens to the public.

4th of JULY CELEBRATION
July 4
• The city’s annual Olde Fashioned 4th of July Celebration will be celebrated virtually.
• More information about this virtual celebration will be shared soon on cityofwinterpark.org.
• Please access the city’s calendar of events for specific event cancellations or postponements.

PARKS & RECREATION REOPENINGS
May 29
• Winter Park Golf Course pro shop reopens at 50% capacity.
  ▪ Pull carts available for rent.
  ▪ Pre-packaged food, sealed beverages and merchandise sales resume.

June 1
• Athletic fields reopen with limited practices and sports camps.
  ▪ Group size limitations and safety plan is required for all rentals.
• Cady Way and Community Center pools reopen for organized swim clubs/teams.
  ▪ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and U.S. swimming guidelines will be followed.

June 8
• Parks & Recreation Department and Mead Botanical Garden summer camps begin.
  ▪ Due to COVID-19 safety precautions, camp sizes have been reduced and only 30 camp slots are currently remaining.
  ▪ A lottery system will be used to select families for these remaining slots.
  ▪ Please access details regarding summer camp details and lottery information on the city’s Camps & After-School Programs page.
• Cady Way and Community Center pools open for lap swim and limited open swim.
  ▪ CDC and U.S. swimming guidelines will be followed.
• Winter Park **Community Center** reopens with limited hours and programming.
  ▪ **Fitness Center**
    • Occupancy limits in place and scheduled/pre-booked work out times will be implemented, if necessary.
    • Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
    • Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
    • Sunday CLOSED for cleaning and sanitation.
  ▪ **Media center and teen room**
    • Closed to public during summer camp hours to limit exposure.
    • Monday through Friday from 6 to 9 p.m.
    • Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
    • Sunday CLOSED for cleaning and sanitation.
• Facility and venue **rentals** will be available.
  ▪ Gatherings with 10 or less can be scheduled.

**WINTER PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**June 1**

• The **library** reopens at noon at 25% capacity, Monday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m., until further notice. Please visit [wppl.org](http://wppl.org) for safety precautions and guidelines.

**AREAS TO BE EVALUATED WITH STATE OF FLORIDA’S PHASE 2 REOPENINGS**

• Playgrounds
• Winter Park Community Center gymnasium
• Outdoor basketball courts
• Rentals for gatherings of more than 10 attendees

**SMALL BUSINESS UTILITY ASSISTANCE**

• The city approved a $500,000 small business utility bill assistance program and has currently distributed approximately $57,000 to businesses to date.
• The deadline to **apply** for this assistance is Tuesday, June 30.
• Funds are still available to credit the equivalent of one month’s water, sewer and electric bill up to $2,500 on the utility bill of any Winter Park business that:
  ▪ was closed due to COVID-19 OR
  ▪ is a restaurant that had to limit operations due to a government order, AND
  ▪ has less than 100 employees, AND
  ▪ is defined as a small business by the Small Business Administration
• Interested businesses can apply for this assistance at [cityofwinterpark.org/SBUA](http://cityofwinterpark.org/SBUA).

**FEED THE NEED - RESIDENTIAL FOOD SUPPORT**

• A $75,000 contribution was approved to Feed the Need Florida, a program of 4Roots & the Florida Department of Agriculture that partners with local restaurants and caterers to offer free meals to residents in need.
• Approximately 5,400 meals have been distributed to Winter Park residents since inception April 14.
• Until further notice, the city will continue this program distributing meals every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, from 3 to 5 p.m., at the Winter Park Community Center located at 721 W. New England Ave.
• Each meal is served cold, in a reheatable container and will include one starch (i.e. rice, noodles or similar) and one protein (i.e. beans, sausage or similar).
• Winter Park residents can pick up meals via drive thru or walk up at the Community Center. Social distancing of 6’ will be required.

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