

## **Orillia opens cooling centres as heat wave continues**

**For immediate release (July 19, 2019)** – Due to extreme temperatures, the City of Orillia is opening three air-conditioned cooling and hydration centres for public use. The City encourages anyone – especially those susceptible to extreme heat – to make use of the centres. The cooling centres will remain open until the heat wave breaks.

The following public places have been identified as cooling and hydration centres:

**Orillia Public Library**  
**36 Mississaga St. W.**  
Monday to Thursday: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Friday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Saturday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Sunday: closed

**Rotary Place**  
**100 University Ave.**  
7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

**Orillia City Centre**  
**50 Andrew St. S.**  
Monday to Friday: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday and Sunday: closed

Splash Pads will also be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the following locations:

**McKinnell Square Park**  
135 Dunedin St.

**Clayt French Park**  
114 Atlantis Dr.

**Victoria Park**  
75 Coldwater Rd. W.

**Moose Beach at J.B. Tudhope Memorial Park**  
450 Atherley Rd.

**Hillcrest Park**  
255 Matchedash St. N.

Lifeguards are off duty at Couchiching Beach Park due to a swim advisory in effect and swimmers are cautioned to swim at their own risk. Moose Beach remains open and is providing extended lifeguarding supervision from 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The City would like to thank The Water Store for providing a hydration station at the City Centre.

The City of Orillia is a city of 31,000 people in the heart of Ontario's Lake Country on the shores of Lake Couchiching and Lake Simcoe. Visit our website at [orillia.ca](http://orillia.ca).

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