



City of Lakeville to Cancel Some Upcoming Events and Activities and Close Some City Facilities

Efforts will put in place social distancing measures recommended by MDH and CDC

Lakeville, Minn., March 13, 2020—The City of Lakeville is closely monitoring the situation surrounding COVID-19 in order to protect the health and safety of our community, in conjunction with guidance provided by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). It is especially important for our higher-risk older adult population and those with underlying medical conditions to implement social distancing measures and reducing activities.

As a result, the City will be closing some facilities, and canceling some events and programs.

The following facilities will be closing at 3 p.m., Friday, March 13 through Friday, April 3, and reevaluated as the situation evolves: Lakeville Arenas (Hasse, 8525 215th St. W and Ames, 19900 Ipava Avenue), the Lakeville Area Arts Center, 20965 Holyoke Avenue and the Heritage Center, 20110 Holyoke Avenue.

All programs at the Heritage Center, Arts Center and the Arenas are canceled during this time. Staff will be available by phone and email, if you need to reach them. Their contact information can be found on the City's website.

The closures impact the upcoming events at the Lakeville Area Arts Center:

- Matilda the Musical, March 13-15 and March 19-21
- Youth Art Month, Opening Reception, March 17
- Mini-Narnia, March 28
- The Young & The Rest by Simple Gifts, March 29
- And, Free Family Fun Fest, April 3 at Lakeville Ames Arena

Other community events and programs that will be canceled include:

- All Adult and Youth Pottery Programs, Lakeville Area Arts Center
- Family Preschool Art – March 25, Lakeville Area Arts Center
- Private Rentals, including private Art Parties and Church
- Gallery Exhibits, Lakeville Area Arts Center
- In-Person Ticket Sales, Lakeville Area Arts Center
- All Parks & Rec programs

We are continuing to evaluate our community events and facilities and will be making decisions about the appropriate level of preparedness and care that is necessary to protect the community.

At this time, MDH is recommending following a “minimal to moderate” level of mitigation as outlined by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). This includes implementing social distancing measures, reducing activities, and canceling large gatherings of 250 or more people and any gathering of 10 or more people that include high-risk populations. Please check the full list of canceled events on the City's website, lakevilleMN.gov. We will continue to provide updates as we have them.