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**NORTH DUMFRIES**

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# **Township of North Dumfries Extends Facility Closures to June 30, 2020**

**(Ayr, ON. – April 15, 2020)** The Township of North Dumfries, in collaboration with local municipalities across Waterloo Region, have agreed to continue to keep all municipal recreational and leisure facilities including community centres and arenas, closed through to June 30, 2020.

This decision is designed to help flatten the curve by helping to break the chain of transmission of COVID-19 and to provide certainty to potential registrants and user groups for the spring season of programs.

As a result of these extended facility closures, any third-party programs, events or activities scheduled to take place in these facilities will need to be postponed or cancelled. We have been working with users of our facilities, including sports groups, to make these decisions on a collaborative basis. We anticipate that, by taking this decision today, volunteer program organizers will have greater certainty as they plan for the upcoming season.

We will continually review this decision, in conjunction with direction from the Province and guidance from the Region of Waterloo's Acting Medical Officer of Health to determine if we can open earlier or if a further extension is required. We are hopeful that circumstances will improve such that an earlier opening will be possible for at least some of these facilities.

The region and area municipalities continue to monitor the situation and will re-evaluate if necessary.

## Facility Closures

All municipally owned indoor leisure and recreational facilities will be closed to the Public until June 30, 2020. This includes:

Ayr Community Centre, 7 Church Street, Ayr  
Community Hall, Ayr Fire Station, 501 Scott Street, Ayr  
North Dumfries Community Complex, 2958 Greenfield Road, Ayr  
Roseville Community Centre, 3195 Roseville Road, Roseville

## Recreation and Leisure Programs & Activities Cancellations

All recreation & leisure programs and activities offered in municipal facilities including community centres will be cancelled until June 30, 2020. These cancellations include organizations, service providers and individuals that rent space in a Township facility for recreation & leisure programming or private events.

The situation with COVID-19 is rapidly changing. We will continue to adjust our operations according to the recommendations of health authorities. Any further operational changes or updates will be provided through the Township's website [[www.northdumfries.ca](http://www.northdumfries.ca)] and social media accounts.

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