

Community Center Director Report – April 13, 2020

The Community Center temporarily closed its doors on Friday, March 13th due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At that time, all programs, classes and rentals were canceled and continue to be canceled through the end of May. We will continue to update the opening date of the Community Center based on the governor's recommendations for non-essential businesses.

These are uncertain times for all of us and we are continuously adapting to the new normal we are living in. We have been doing our best to stay connected with our community and our members through social media, providing alternative activities and online fun. We're in the process of creating a page on our website called "Virtual Community Center". We hope to use this page to provide links to resources that include fitness, education and arts & crafts.

Looking ahead to our summer programming we have not yet adjusted our playground & camp schedules. There is a great deal of uncertainty right now and we are already discussing alternative strategies/policies that would need to be implemented should these programs take place. We are working closely with other municipalities across the state and bouncing ideas off one another as these upcoming weeks are typically crucial planning weeks for the summer.

There are also discussions with regards to the opening of the outdoor pool, which is scheduled for Saturday, May 23rd. It seems practical at this time that this would be delayed as we need adequate time to open the pool, prepare the deck and hire & train staff. Again, we will continue to follow all recommendations by the CDC and the governor.

I've included statistics for the facility for the period of March the center was open.

I am readily available to answer any specific questions you may have regarding the facility, memberships or upcoming programs/classes.

Community Center Director
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