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(March 16, 2020, Red Wing, Minn.) As the challenges presented by COVID-19 continue to change rapidly, the City of Red Wing’s top priority remains the health, safety, and well-being of our community, citizens, and visitors. “Thank you to everyone for your cooperation, patience, and understanding,” says Mayor Sean Dowse. “By listening to the science and following the advice of experts, we are working to keep risk factors at a minimum.” While there are no known cases reported in our city, as a precautionary measure to mitigate the risk of exposure, we are implementing the following steps consistent with many of our peer communities across the country.

Red Wing Public Library is Closed
The Red Wing Public Library will close as of Monday, March 16. Please take this opportunity to access their digital resources. [https://redwing.lib.mn.us/online-resources/](https://redwing.lib.mn.us/online-resources/)

Sheldon Theatre
Shows have been suspended at the Sheldon Theatre until April 4 at this time. Visit their website for updates at [https://www.sheldontheatre.org/](https://www.sheldontheatre.org/)

Public Facilities
The City of Red Wing remains open for business as it continues providing essential community services. However, public access to our facilities will be temporarily suspended. We will make that announcement later today.

We anticipate no interruption in the delivery of core services for public safety and public works, including law enforcement, firefighting, and emergency medical response, along with safe drinking water, sanitary sewer operation, garbage and recycling, and infrastructure maintenance.

Patient Resources
Please visit our Mayo Clinic Health System COVID-19 online resource site [https://www.mayoclinichealthsystem.org/covid19](https://www.mayoclinichealthsystem.org/covid19) for contact information and the most up-to-the-minute information about COVID-19 and what to do if you have symptoms, unrelated health care needs, or need to visit someone at the clinic or hospital. You can also view updates via Mayo Clinic Health System’s Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram channels.
Health and Safety
Health and safety is a shared responsibility in the City of Red Wing. Please review the CDC’s Get Your Household Ready for guidance in preparing your household members.

- Please consider the needs of higher-risk members of our community and offer assistance.
- Reminder – there is no need for panic buying or hoarding. The CDC recommends a two week supply of nonperishable items and medications.
- We ask that everyone follow the Minnesota Department of Health’s Strategies to Slow the Spread of COVID-19 in Minnesota: https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/action.pdf.

For up-to-date information on Coronavirus (COVID-19) and its impact in our region, visit the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) website. You can opt-in for updates directly from them, and receive the most current press releases.

Call the MDH COVID-19 Hotline at 651-201-3920

For local information, go to the Goodhue County Health and Human Services Facebook page @GCHHS and the Goodhue County Website https://www.co.goodhue.mn.us/.

School or Child Care Questions: 651-297-1304