



## Media Release

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### **TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE ENTERS GREY-LOCKDOWN ZONE TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**

**WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE, ON** – As part of the Regional Municipality of York, the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has entered the Grey-Lockdown Zone of the [Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework](#) as of 12:01 a.m. on Monday, December 14, 2020.

All Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville facilities are now closed for a minimum of 28 days. However, the Town will be offering the following alternative services:

- The Library will offer curbside service on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Items can be placed on hold using the library catalogue at [wsplibrary.ca](http://wsplibrary.ca) and pick-up will be at the main doors to the Leisure Centre.
- The Leisure Center will offer virtual programming which can be found at [townofws.ca/wsplay](http://townofws.ca/wsplay)
- The Museum & Community Centre will offer virtual programming which can be found at [townofws.ca/museum](http://townofws.ca/museum)

“The lockdown is going to be a very difficult time for our community – for individuals, families, and businesses,” says Mayor of Whitchurch-Stouffville Iain Lovatt. “Now more than ever, our local restaurants and retailers need us. Please visit [www.L4A.ca](http://www.L4A.ca) for more information on how you can support our local businesses and community at this time.”

The lockdown restrictions require the closure of indoor and outdoor dining and drinking in bars and restaurants, indoor shopping in non-essential retail stores and malls, and personal care services. Indoor organized public events and social gatherings must be limited to members of the same household. Outdoor public events and gatherings are limited to 10 people if physical distancing can be maintained.

Essential businesses such as grocery stores, pharmacies, and big box retailers will be allowed to operate at 50 per cent capacity. Schools, before and after school programs, and childcare will also remain open.

We ask residents to stay vigilant and follow the reminders from York Region Public Health to help stop the spread of COVID-19 so we can hope for a better 2021. Please visit [stouffvillereopens.ca](http://stouffvillereopens.ca) for all community COVID-19-related updates.

## **About the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville**

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is one of the jewels of the GTA, located just north of Toronto on Highway 404. We are a community rich in heritage and character and we are committed to offering our residents and businesses 'Country Close to the City'.

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