

March 18, 2020

Meagher County COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Fact Sheet

To mitigate the threat of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) to the Citizens of Meagher County, the following measures and services have been put into place:

With the exception of the Meagher County Library, all other City and County operations remain open for business.

The Steven's Youth Center is closed indefinitely

Mountainview Medical Center:

- Clinic is operating business as usual
- **Telemedicine visits are now available, call the clinic to schedule an appointment**
- Clinic door will be used to control access. All emergency and clinic visits will be accessed through the Clinic entrance
- Mountainview Medical Center has a "NO Visiting" restriction in place for ALL PATIENTS
- Hospital website will be used to filter current and updated information
- No confirmed **COVID-19** cases in Meagher County

If you feel ill and may have been exposed to the Coronavirus, please *DO NOT* COME directly to the hospital or clinic. First call one of the following numbers for screening.

- Hospital/clinic 24/7: 406-547-3321
- Public Health Monday -Thursday: 406-547-3234
- State Hotline 1-888-333-0461

Reasons to come directly to the hospital include:

- Any emergencies *not* related to Coronavirus
- Uncontrolled fevers
- Shortness of breath
- Severe dehydration
- Other complicating diseases such as; COPD, emphysema, or any other respiratory disorders

Please watch their website for any updates and instructions www.mvmc.org

Meagher County Sheriff's Office

- **Sign up for Nixle to receive local emergency notifications and alerts**
 - <https://local.nixle.com/register/>

White Sulphur Springs Schools:

- School and all related activities closed thru the 27th
- School will be deep cleaned
- Entrance to school will be limited, only access is front door
- Supplemental materials available to students on school webpage <http://whitesulphur.k12.mt.us/>
- Paper materials distributed am of 3/16
- Educational supplements are available via teacher blogs and emails.
- Meals for those who opt in on free and reduced are being delivered 3/16, Wednesday 3/18, and once next week
- Administration will be checking email and voicemail if parents/community have questions.

Meagher County Community Senior Center

- Closed until further notice
- Meals on wheels will continue to be delivered
- Grab and Go delivery available for \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members under 60, call a day ahead. Call 547-3651 (6:30am-2:30pm)
- After hour emergencies:
 - Meagher County Sheriff's Office 406-547-3397

- Meagher County Transportation (medical trips out of town) reduced to emergency medical needs only (Dialysis, Transfusions)

Meagher County Food Bank

- Open Wednesday March 18 from 3:30-6pm
- The process has been modified
 - Please knock at the door and a Food Bank Volunteer will assist you
 - All recipients will be accommodated
- Access is still on the North side of the Sheriff's Office
- Emergency Contact
 - Meagher County Sheriff's Office 406-547-3397

City of White Sulphur Springs

- **Reported line blockages due to non-flushable materials**
- The residents within the city may notice an increased smell or taste of chlorine in the water, **THIS IS NOT DUE TO COVID-19**. It is normal routine to build up the residual in our farthest reaches of water main.

Local businesses:

- **Call individually for services and hours**
- **Check business Facebook pages for updates**
- **Local Community Facebook pages**
 - **Meagher County Classifieds**
 - **White Sulphur Springs, MT Classifieds**

CORONAVIRUS SCAM ALERTS:

- **Federal Trade Commission warns of Coronavirus scams**
<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/blog/2020/02/coronavirus-scammers-follow-headlines>

Prevention Tips: Courtesy of MT DPHHS

- **Stay home if you are sick**
- **Avoid close contact with people who are sick**
- **Cover your cough, and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth**
- **Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects**
- **Wash your hands frequently**
- **Social distancing is encouraged within stores and at checkouts, distancing of at least 6 feet between persons in the stores is recommended.**

If you are sick: You should wear a facemask when you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then you should do your best to cover your coughs and sneezes, and people who are caring for you should wear a facemask if they enter your room.

To get updated information on COVID-19 access the following websites:

Control+click on the following links for updated Coronavirus information from the Center for Disease Control, State of Montana, Meagher County Health Department and Mountainview Medical Center

www.mvmc.org

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

<https://covid19.mt.gov/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Meagher-County-Health-Department-486471218030952/>