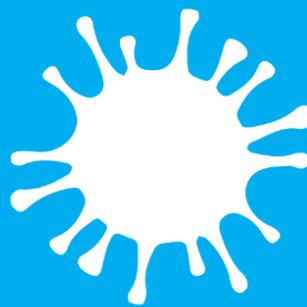


COVID-19 UPDATE



March 26, 2020

The crisis caused by the pandemic of COVID-19 has taken on unprecedented proportions. With containment measures, the closure of many public places and businesses, and social distancing, our lives have been significantly affected. More than ever, we need to ensure our safety and that of our loved ones.

Our staff team has worked hard to tirelessly maintain the programs that provide the Companions we support with the Camphill Community life they are accustomed to.

Amid all the uncertainty surrounding us these days, we wanted to take a moment to pause from the news and connect with you – to let you know we are thinking of you, and to tell you how our community is doing.

Following the suggestions of local health authorities, we have taken the following actions:

- Closure of the Camphill Store
- Cancellation of all Fee for Service Day Programs effective March 15, 2020
- Cancellation of all day programs, effective March 15, 2020
- Cancellation of the Maple Syrup Festival previously scheduled for March 21, 2020
- Cancellation of the Annual Spring Fair previously scheduled for May 9, 2020
- Cancellation of all Volunteer programs
- Both the Camphill Communities Ontario and Camphill Foundation Board members are meeting virtually during the social distance measures.

No matter what your relationship is to Camphill – parent or family member, friend, donor, employee, supporter – you are part of our community and we care about you.

Our top priority is to protect the health and safety of our community members and staff members, and we will keep you informed through our foundation website and via electronic communications.

Our homes and programs are adhering to mandates and guidelines from health officials and government agencies to mitigate the potential spread and effects of the virus. Our community members are learning what it means to practice physical distancing while remaining strong in spirit and companionship.

Today, companions were able to speak to their friends that they have not been able to see since the new social distancing measurements were put in place. Using technology, our companions have been learning how to connect to each other via Web Conferencing.

The Foundation and Camphill Communities Ontario remains committed to being a resource and support to help our communities navigate these challenging times.

Please help us stay in touch with you by following us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter and checking your email inbox for news, videos, and stories that will keep us connected during this time of separation.

On behalf of our Foundation board and staff, and our larger Camphill community, we send all good wishes for your continued health and safety.

Yours in community,

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