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HOLLAND TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY SERVICES
(Monitoring the COVID-19 Crisis)

I wish to assure our residents that Holland Township Department of Public Safety has been, and will continue to cooperate with the County, State and Federal officials to monitor the outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). The safety of our residents is our primary concern.

WHAT WE ARE DOING:

Our Department of Public Safety, headed by Police Chief Sean Gutsick, is in constant contact with County and State officials. We will continue to re-evaluate and amend practices based on the recommendations of these higher governing bodies.

We have contracted to perform deep cleaning of all Township buildings, including the Municipal Building and Riegel Ridge Community Center. The Riegel Ridge Community Center was closed as of March 14, 2020 and will remain closed until further notice, to avoid the spread of the virus. However, we encourage residents to take advantage of the outdoor amenities at RRCC.

We are in contact with the administration of the Holland School District, consulting with the Superintendent, regarding the decision to close the school and will stand ready to provide assistance when the school reopens.

The Holland Township Municipal Building will remain open to serve residents at this juncture. However, residents are encouraged to pay all bills online and we recently adopted an ordinance permitting tax bills to be paid online. In addition, preparations are being made to allow non-essential municipal employees to work remotely, if necessary in the future. In addition, municipal employees will not be attending any conferences, seminars, or functions with large gatherings.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP:

- Protect yourself and others by washing your hands often with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds, or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol and consciously avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick, especially if you have underlying health issues such as: heart disease, lung disease, diabetes or otherwise have a compromised immune system.
- Cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough.
- Stay at home if you are sick.

- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily, including tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, desks, phones, remotes, keyboards, etc.
- Check on neighbors or loved ones who are elderly to make sure they have enough food and supplies to avoid taking trips to the grocery store themselves. If you have reason to suspect that a neighbor needs non-emergency police assistance, call the Holland Township Police at (908) 995-2804. If an emergency exists you should dial 911.
- Stay up to date by checking the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus> .

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniel O. Bush". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D'.

Mayor Dan Bush