



Ross Township's Update Regarding COVID-19

The Ross Township Board of Commissioners has activated our Emergency Management Team to monitor the evolving situation regarding the [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#), the new respiratory virus first identified in Wuhan, China. The virus is spread person-to-person and symptoms can include fever, cough, and shortness of breath.

Routine use of personal protective measures by our residents and their families can go a long way in preventing the spread of illness.

Everyone should [take precautions](#) including:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- **Stay home** when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
 - If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.

Our Emergency Management Team has already begun to reinforce the behaviors above in all our buildings, and we encourage you to do the same at home.

If traveling abroad, we recommend that you review and adhere to the Centers for Disease Control's latest [Travel Health Notices](#).

The Township of Ross will continue to follow the direction provided by the [Allegheny County Health Department](#), [Pennsylvania Department of Health](#) and [Centers for Disease Control](#). Allegheny County health officials work closely with federal, state and local partners to assess the county's level of preparedness and develop protocols and guidance for partners within the county.

Should COVID-19 become known in Allegheny County and/or our community, we will follow the guidance of local, state and federal health departments.

We ask that all residents and neighbors use the following resources to familiarize themselves with and stay up to date on COVID-19:

- [Centers for Disease Control](#)
- [Pennsylvania Department of Health](#)
- [Allegheny County Health Department](#)

