

Outdoor Spaces, Events and Physical Distancing – COVID-19 FAQs

April 1, 2020

Why are parks and trails still open?

We are all following the orders and guidelines of the provincial health officer. At this time, the Province has not directed municipalities to close outdoor spaces. We will continue to follow all federal and provincial orders and will monitor the use of our outdoor spaces. While these spaces are currently open, we expect all residents to follow the recommendations and orders of the provincial health officer, avoid gatherings and exercise physical distancing while enjoying the outdoors.

Will your bylaw officers enforce physical distancing in parks and on trails?

Our bylaw officers proactively patrol parks and trails throughout the city. Bylaw officers on patrol will educate and remind residents about physical distancing, as well as other City bylaws.

How long will recreation facilities be closed?

The City of Chilliwack is monitoring the situation as it continues to evolve and we will provide additional information as it becomes available.

Why are City crews performing any non-essential tasks?

The City is adhering to the guidelines of Dr. Bonnie Henry, BC's health officer, and City staff are maintaining social distancing while carrying out their regular duties. We are working hard to ensure the business of the City continues under the guidelines of the provincial health authority during this difficult time.

Why can't I apply for a Celebration and Activity Grant?

Applications for the City of Chilliwack's Celebration and Activity Grant Program is temporarily closed until May 30, 2020, in order to better observe the [Orders and guidelines](#) of BC's health officer.

We appreciate event hosts' desire to foster social connections during these difficult times. In the interim, please consider alternative event styles, such as online gatherings or live streams, to continue to build community spirit safely.

