



Dear Ardsley Community,

Governor Cuomo has extended the executive PAUSE order for an additional two weeks through April 29th. Therefore non-essential workers must continue to work from home and everyone is required to maintain a 6-foot distance in public.

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-signs-new-york-state-pause-executive-order>

Village Hall remains closed. You can still call (914) 693-1550 or email individual staff and they will respond as soon as possible. If you need to reach me, please feel free to email me at nkaboolian@ardsleyvillage.com any time.

Social distancing violations and fines are enforceable

Governor Cuomo announced that the state is increasing the maximum fine for violations of the state's social distancing protocol from \$500 to \$1,000. The Police Department has the authority to enforce the protocols and issue fines and will do so if necessary.

State of Emergency and Emergency Order regarding leaf blowers

The current State of Emergency runs until April 17 and we fully expect to extend that another 30 days. We are now issuing an Emergency Order regarding the use of leaf blowers that will prohibit their use for the duration of the order. The order will be extended for each five day period for as long as we believe it is necessary during this crisis. It is not a permanent ban, but it will have the force of law for as long as the emergency order is extended. As of right now landscape maintenance is considered an essential service, but it just makes good sense not to have dust and debris blown into the air to safeguard respiratory health risk especially at this time. If your landscaper is using a leaf blower, please inform them of this order.

CDC recommends the use of homemade masks in public.

Based on the CDC's recommendation we are asking everyone to please cover their face when you are in a public setting. Cloth face coverings can be made at home from common materials. There are lots of examples and suggestions on YouTube. The cloth face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators. Those masks are critical supplies to be reserved for healthcare workers and other medical first responders.

Domestic violence resources

Westchester County Executive George Latimer, the Office for Women, the Department of Public Safety and local police departments, want to remind victims of domestic violence that they are not alone during the Coronavirus pandemic. In light of recently reported increases in domestic violence crimes in other countries, Westchester County is closely monitoring all domestic violence cases, with some local police departments reporting recent increases in domestic

violence allegations. A full list of Help Lines can be found at: <https://women.westchestergov.com/other-domestic-violence-resources>

Recovered from COVID-19? Please donate blood to help others.

If you have recovered from COVID-19, your blood may have important anti-bodies that could help critically ill patients. Mount Sinai has put out a call for blood donors. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Ways to thank our first responders

During this challenging time, Westchester County Executive George Latimer is calling on all residents to say thank you, and share a message of hope and inspiration for our brave first responders, who put their lives on the line each day to protect us.

[Watch the video, "Thank You First Responders."](#)

Parents and kids can create artwork, post a picture, or record a short video using the hashtags #MyWestchester and #WCThankyou. It is an easy way for the entire family to get involved and share a Westchester County Thank You with the people who are facing the pandemic head-on.

Flags Lowered

All flags on public property in the Village have been lowered to half-staff in honor of all of those who have lost their lives to COVID-19.

New York State and Westchester County are constantly disseminating information. In an effort to not overwhelm your email inbox we are posting these public service announcements on the Village website. Please visit the website often for additional information. <https://www.ardsleyvillage.com/>