

Incident Name: COVID Broadwater County, MT

Broadwater County Disaster & Emergency Services
Townsend, Montana

Friday, March 20, 2020

Time issued 4:00 PM

Incident Update

1. **The Governor of Montana has issued a directive that restricts the functions of certain businesses in the state.** (See attachment # 2.)
2. **Guidance document for Businesses that can sell and deliver alcohol for off-premises consumption during state shut down.** (See attachment # 3.)
3. As of this release, there is only one confirmed COVID case in Broadwater County, who is in self-quarantined.
4. Broadwater County issued a COVID-19 emergency declaration on 3/17/20.
5. Health Officer of Broadwater County order the closure of all bars, breweries, distilleries, casinos, restaurant, gyms, and public accessible church facilities, with the exception of drive-through, delivery, and puck-up services, within Broadwater County effective at 8:00 pm 3/18/20.
6. City of Three Forks issued a COVID-19 emergency declaration on 3/18/20.
7. City of Townsend issued a COVID-19 emergency declaration on 3/19/20.
8. Townsend Schools K-12 closed for a minimum of two weeks from March 16th through March 26. The school campus, including Community Library, weight room, and Old Baldy Activities will be shut out during this time. Students have begun online classes.
 - a. If parents or student has questions or needs to contact a teacher, please do so through email, Google Classroom, or Class Dojo.
 - b. Students can grab and go breakfasts and lunches at the back playground door of the Multi-Purpose Lunchroom from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Students will be charged their normal meal rate.
 - c. Townsend Schools will be providing periodic updates through the Infinite Campus messenger. Also watch the official Townsend Schools Facebook page for updates.
9. Townsend Senior Citizen Center is still preparing nutritious noonday meals Monday thru Friday, except holidays, for senior citizen's age-60 plus.
 - a. The Center has both pickup meals-to-go and normal home deliveries of Meals-on-Wheels, in Townsend area for the homebound. Normal meal prices apply.
 - b. Please order meals (for pick up or delivery) the day before, by calling: 406-266-3995.
10. The U.S. Small Business Administration has Disaster Loans available to businesses affected by the economic impact of the COVID-19 outbreak. Apply online at: <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>

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Incident Contact Info

State COVID-19 information hotline: 1-888-333-0461

Broadwater County Public Health: 406-266-5209

Broadwater County Disaster & Emergency Services: 406-266-9250

Montana COVID-19 situation website:

[COVID19.mt.gov](https://www.covid19.mt.gov)

Broadwater Co DES Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/BroadwaterCntyDES/posts/>

Broadwater County website:

<http://www.townsendmt.com/broadwater-county/>