



ALEXANDER FIRST NATION COMMUNITY UPDATE

ISSUE #7

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CHIEF AND COUNCIL UPDATE INFORMATION

Effective June 2, 2020 the AFN Leadership have approved the Nations **Reopening Strategic Plan**. The nations public offices will be officially open on Monday, June 15, 2020 under community based guidelines.

It is important that as a Nation, we continue to be mindful that we are still very much in the middle of a world wide pandemic. Our priorities are to continue to maintain the health and safety of our members, especially those most vulnerable. June 12, 2020 marks 81 days since the Nation declared its state of emergency. We have carefully mitigated through the height of the pandemic with **NO CASES** here on the Nation, this is contributable to the on-going efforts we all have made in practicing and adhering to our community precautionary measures. A huge thanks to our Members and our Emergency Response Team for all the hard work they have completed to date.

Here is what you can expect as we reopen our offices:

- Navigation will be in place at each building to monitor safety measures;
- Monitoring and Tracking will replace security, security check points will be relaxed and only 4 points will be active to monitor access;
- COVID -19 Testing guidelines will be in place to prevent the spread of the virus in the community;
- Isolation / Quarantine guidelines will be in place to intervene with the spread of the virus in the community;
- Community gathering guidelines will be in place to ensure that health and safety practices are adhered to.

These guidelines have been developed to increase the continued safety within the Nation, they are not intended to restrict members. The only way we are going to keep the virus out of our community is to put our best efforts in all we do, this is our new normal. We are all now part of a community wide initiative to maintain the health and safety of our loved ones.

We ask that you continue to work with us, help us and cooperate fully in the guidelines we have established, our vulnerable medically fragile members, Elders, and children are depending on all of us. Lets keep moving through this pandemic COVID FREE and safe.

A new and separate website is in development for members to access information on the Nations guidelines, amendments and updates related to COVID -19 specific, you will have the ability to download all documents pertaining to the Nations response measures. Notification will be sent when the site is active.

Additional Resources

- Important Numbers
- Current Statistics



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Alexander Health Services:
780.939.4787

Housing:
780.906.9910

Public Works:
780.237.0397

Vehicle Registration:
780.939.3868

SECURITY
780.722.2173

Additional Resources

Current COVID-19 Statistics

Total Alberta COVID -19 Cases as of June 10, 2020

AB Confirmed	7,276
Confirmed on First Nations (Off reserve cases)	54
Edmonton Zone Confirmed	645
On-Reserve Deaths due to Covid -19 (This is in Alberta, location not disclosed)	1

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Alexander First Nation is still in a State of Emergency and will be executing phases of the nation's emergency response plan for what the nations new normal will be.

It is with a heavy heart to announce there will be no summer student employment for 2020 due to the worldwide pandemic covid-19. I apologize to you the YOUTH of our nation.

We reached out to previous employers in April and May, 2020 to find out if they were going to participate in taking students for work experience/summer student employment and didn't receive responses. As it is anticipated the companies are trying to navigate through COVID-19 as well.

Our staff are committed to you the youth and will be available to assist in whatever ways we can to help choose a career and what is needed to get you there.

Our office is now located at the Alexander Business Center and our number is 780-939-5887.

Sincerely
Loriann Paul

YOU MUST RE-RESIGSTER YOUR VEHICLE UNDER THE NATIONS REOPENING STRATEGY EDUCATION DEPT WILL BE POSTING MORE INFORMATION REGARDING REGISTRATIAION HOURS

The Nations transition from security to monitoring will require the vehicle registration system to continue. We are planning to schedule dates for members and essential services to change out their old registration cards and get replacements. We will send out a formal notice on Monday, June 15, 2020 for dates and times.

Additional information on Day Care, education and recreation opening plans will be also posted. For more information on any of the Education areas, please contact Jody Kootenay, Director at 780.939.3868

HEALTH SERVICES UPDATE

COVID -19 TESTING is now available through the health center. Testing is being administered continuously, please call for an appointment.

Clinical psychologist supports are now available through the health center, please call for more information.

SOCIAL DEV UPDATE

As we open our offices, we ask that the public, clients and staff comply with all community guidelines. We are all in this together.

Mental Health Supports are continuously available, please contact the office for more information.

FIRE WORKS SHOW!!

The social development staff are hosting a fire works show!! JULY 1, 2020 in celebration of Canada Day, located at the pow wow grounds! Social Distancing Guidelines will comply. Watch for our poster!!

As we move forward into Albertas Re-Launch strategy, please remember that the virus is still very active out there. Be kind to those who want to stay home, be kind to those who want to go outside the nation, be kind to those who want to wear masks, be kind to people who are going through their own personal thoughts and experiences, we may know people, but we don't know what they've been through.

A message from the Executive Management Team