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**Burlington COVID-19 Task Force Meeting #12 – July 16, 2020**

**Agenda & Action Items**

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1. Opening remarks from Mayor
  - Mandatory bylaw for indoor public spaces passed in Burlington & Halton this week and takes effect on Monday of next week.
  - Stage 3 details announced Monday by the Premier – we will be ready when given green light
  - Service Burlington at City Hall will open next week
  - Tonight is another Public Telephone Town Hall from 6-7:30pm where topics are expected to focus on masks (bylaw & effectiveness), school in the fall, and reopened programs & services
2. Quick update from Colleen Mulholland on Burlington Foundation grants
3. New Action Items
4. Next meeting: discuss moving to monthly for time being

**Update:**

<p>Burlington Foundation / United Way funding and grants:</p> <p><b>July 16 Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Update from Colleen:</li> <li>- Phase 2 - Granted to 18 charities, \$336K in about a 3-week period</li> <li>- Media release to come out in the next week or so re: the 18 charities</li> <li>- Total pandemic granting since April now at 45 charities to the tune of about \$560K</li> <li>- Phase 3 may morph more towards recovery/rebuilding but in a wait and see for now</li> <li>- Continue to see details on their website for Phase 3 when ready</li> </ul>	<p>Colleen Mulholland, Burlington Foundation</p>
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**New Action Items:**

<p><b>Mask Bylaw Details</b> – getting information out to the community and finding ways to connect those in need of free masks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Mayor’s blog has information that will continue to be updated <a href="https://mariannemeedward.ca/">https://mariannemeedward.ca/</a> and City Website also has a lot of info on their FAQs page: <a href="https://www.burlington.ca/en/your-city/coronavirus-covid-19-faqs.asp">https://www.burlington.ca/en/your-city/coronavirus-covid-19-faqs.asp</a> (half way down) and we have other communications tactics including exterior bus ads running from July 20 to September 30, Burlington Post ads (newspaper/online), and Halton Multicultural Connections newsletter being translated into 6 languages in process</li><li>- Free masks via donations &amp; distribution points/strategy being formed and coordinated by Councillor Shawna Stolte for time being</li><li>- Food Banks are willing to be distribution points (Robin Bailey, Graham Hill), Wellington Square as well (Lisa Lunski)</li><li>- Andrea Grebenc will connect will Shawna Stolte</li><li>- Carla/Anita: The Guide for Businesses is now live on Burlington Economic Development’s website. <a href="http://bedc.ca/mask-bylaw/">http://bedc.ca/mask-bylaw/</a>. Further down the page, you will also find quick links to the poster and a compliance checklist. We have also pulled together a list of local companies that are selling reusable masks.</li></ul>	<p>Mayor Meed Ward</p> <p>Victoria Al-Samadi re: communications</p> <p>Denise Beard re: free mask availability &amp; distribution</p> <p>Carla Nell/Anita Cassidy re: business resources</p>
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**Ongoing Action Items Update:**

<p>Subcommittee to address the issue of food security and actively identifying those at risk/in need and matching up with support.</p> <p><b>July 16 Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Going well and will layer in mask distribution at pick up points as well and add to city resource list</li><li>- 3 new vans delivering food across Halton (Graham) and happy to use to transport masks if needed</li><li>- Strong community support has enabled Food Banks to manage demand</li></ul>	<p>Denise Beard, City of Burlington</p>
<p>Support effective/creative recovery fundraising strategies for community organizations in a post-COVID19 environment where traditional in-person/large gathering fundraising is no longer an option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>July 16 Update: Update from Victoria in Amber’s Absence</b></li><li>- First meeting of working group took place on July 9<sup>th</sup></li><li>- A handbook for post-covid fundraising is now in development</li><li>- Issues being explored include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o How to safely fundraise given health limitations</li><li>o Staying connected with donors in new/agile ways</li><li>o Impact of covid on people’s charitable/disposable finances</li></ul></li></ul>	<p>Amber Rushton, City of Burlington</p>

**Other Notes:**

- **Great news:** Premier just announced \$19 billion pan-Canadian agreement with the federal government. Ontario's share is just over \$7 billion which will help our municipal partners.
- **Shawn Saulnier:** question related to businesses being able to bring guests (clients/prospects) into their offices for meetings. Burlington – not restricted unless an employer sets a different policy. Masks are also exempt during appointments in private offices.
- **Next Meeting:** move to monthly while situation of new cases remains in present state (low). Proposed date would be **August 20<sup>th</sup>**.