



E-Pathways: Your direct source for information

Dear Residents & Friends,

We continue to navigate to the new normal and make adjustments as new information and directives become known. We have posted notices that the playground at Meadow Park is closed. However, because the Governor's order allows for exercise while practicing social distancing, we have resisted closing Meadow Park. They may change due to the large number of people utilizing the Park and Perkiomen Trail. We strongly urge residents to stay home and exercise at home.

All of us at Schwenksville Borough want you to be aware that the heroic and critical work healthcare professionals, first responders and providers of critical life sustaining resources are doing is recognized, valued, and appreciated. We have also become aware of local businesses that have shifted gears to provide much needed supplies to help fight COVID-19. We have never been prouder of you and your commitment to your profession, your community and fellow citizens.

Schwenksville Borough Hall is closed to the public but we are still working via email. We are accepting building permit applications and are processing them for work done by homeowners themselves or construction that has received an exemption from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development. All work done without a permit is still subject to the fines and penalties provided for in our fee schedule. We are close to implementing on-line payments but will accept mailed in payments.

Thank you for all that you have done and continue to do on a daily basis to build stronger communities. The number one thing you can do to assist us through this time of adversity is to follow Governor Wolf's orders. PLEASE STAY HOME. PLEASE HONOR SOCIAL DISTANCING.

Borough Council Meeting April 9, 2020

Borough Council will be hosting a Zoom Council Meeting

Thursday, April 9th at 7 PM Borough Council will be hosting its first Zoom Borough Council Meeting. The public is invited to join us. In addition the meeting will be recorded and the recording will be made public. Guests will be put into a virtual meeting room when first logging in to the meeting. Please be patient with the process as it is new for all of us.

Please visit www.schwenksville-pa.org for the Meeting Agenda. Emails to Aklepfer@schwenksville-pa received during the meeting will be addressed at the meeting if possible. Email is the recommended way to contact us at any time. Please see contact information listed at the bottom of this email.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/916321564?pwd=UVhnMmxHVU05NEJYaXFDbXAydllIRUT09>

Meeting ID: 916 321 564

Password: 427745

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Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/adS9VaFqx0>

MONTCO STRONG PROGRAM

We are sharing information I received about the recently announced Montco Strong Small Business Grant Program. I know this information is circulating around, but I wanted to pass it along just in case you haven't seen it yet so you can share with your networks in Schwenksville.

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners announced the MontcoStrong Small Business Grant Program. Recognizing the need to provide support to strengthen our local businesses and communities, Montgomery County is providing \$1 million in economic development funds to provide grants to eligible small businesses through the MontcoStrong Small Business Grant Program. The purpose of the small business grants are to provide businesses in Montgomery County with financial support as relief due to disruptions caused by the COVID-19 global pandemic.

This is a Montgomery County funded initiative created by the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners and the Montgomery County Commerce Department in partnership with the Redevelopment Authority of Montgomery County. This initiative was developed in part as a result of data & information derived from the ongoing regional survey of business impacts related to COVID-19 and to provide further, targeted support to Montgomery County businesses to augment state and federal programs.

Eligible small businesses in Montgomery County can apply for up to \$25,000 to help with making rent or mortgage payments, meeting payroll expenses, and covering utility bills. The complete eligibility criteria, program information, program guidelines, program FAQ, and

application instructions are all available at www.montcopa.org/MontcoStrongSBGP - links to this webpage can be found on our Commerce Department's homepage (www.montcopa.org/Commerce) as well as on the Montgomery County COVID-19 data hub (www.montcopa.org/COVID-19).

Applications will be accepted beginning at **11am on Wednesday, April 8th, 2020**. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Applications will be accepted until all grant funds are awarded and/or the number of applications received significantly surpasses all available grant funds to be awarded in an application round. While we anticipate the number of applications received will quickly outpace the amount of funding available in the initial round, applications will be reviewed for thoroughness and determination of need based on program guidelines.

On-line sources of Information

Montgomery County has daily press briefings usually at 3 PM or 3:30 PM.

<https://www.montcopa.org/3468/Coronavirus-Disease-2019-COVID-19>

<https://data-montcopa.opendata.arcgis.com/pages/covid-19>

Senator Robert Mensch also is providing his constituents updates and & Info and his website provides many links and helpful information.

<https://www.senatormensch.com/>

Pennsylvania State Representative Marcy Toepel's office is also providing much needed information and assistance.

<http://www.reptoepel.com/>

300 Main Street Renovation Project

The Renovation Project at 300 Main Street has received the necessary clearance to start back up. Construction will recommence next week so that the Borough can complete this vital community resource that includes our Emergency Operations Center.

How to Reach us During the State of Emergency - STAY AT HOME ORDER

The Borough is asking that all communications be done through e-mail.

Borough Manager at aklepfer@schwenksville-pa.org

Staff at gail@schwenksville-pa.org

Borough Council President Darren Rash at DarrenR@schwenksville-pa.org

If you absolutely need to reach staff via a return call, you may leave a message with the Borough Authority Answering Service at 610-287-7772.

If it's a true emergency please call 911.

Should you have questions or concerns about information contained in this e-newsletter; about projects being undertaken by Schwenksville Borough or about Borough operations please contact us at info@schwenksville-pa.org or call 610-287-7442. Residents are also welcomed to attend a Council Meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each Month at 7 PM --except for January of even years when the Borough conducts a reorganization meeting the first Monday or day after a Monday holiday in January.

Hours of Operation

M- Thursday 9 AM - 5PM
[closed 12PM to 1PM]
Friday 9AM - 2PM
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