



# VAN BUREN

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP

**For Immediate Release**

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### **Van Buren Township CLOSED For Two Weeks**

VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP, Mich., March 16, 2020– In an effort to reduce the spread and exposure of COVID-19 the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees voted to shutdown all Township Administration Offices including the Senior Center, Parks & Rec. Department, all Van Buren public parks, Fire Stations 1 & 2 (to the public), and the Public Safety records window starting Tuesday, March 17 for two weeks. After two weeks, the shutdown will be re-evaluated.

The Public Safety Department (Police, Fire and Dispatch) remains open. All preliminary breath testing will be suspended until further notice. All programs and events have been canceled until Monday, April 6, 2020.

The Senior Center Meals on Wheels program will continue as planned. Seniors participating in the program have received five frozen meals just in case the program has any delays. However, hot meals are still being delivered daily. The Focus Hope and Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) will operate as planned on Thursday, March 19. Senior Center transportation services are still operating as planned. If you have any questions please call 734.699.8918 or email Lynette Jordan at [lordan@vanburen-mi.org](mailto:lordan@vanburen-mi.org).

Yard waste and garbage pick up are still operating as scheduled. Residents who need landfill passes will have to wait until further notice.

For Police and Fire reports, please submit a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request available on the Township website: <https://vanburen-mi.org/officials/clerk/>. The FOIA request form can also be emailed and/or faxed to you directly by contacting the Records Office at (734) 699-8939 or

by emailing Tina Harman at [tharman@vanburen-mi.org](mailto:tharman@vanburen-mi.org). When sending email requests, please write FOIA Request in the subject line.

Copies of traffic crash reports can be obtained on the CLEMIS website: [www.clemis.org](http://www.clemis.org). You will need to know your report number in order to obtain a copy of the report. These reports can also be obtained by submitting a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request form. If you do not know your report number, please contact the Records Office at (734) 699-8939.

Due to records window closure at this time, local background checks will not be done at the window. You can visit the State of Michigan website: [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov) to obtain an ICHAT background check through the State of Michigan.

The Township is committed to supporting our at risk populations as best we can.

This is subject to change as more news is released via the Federal and State Government. We're closely monitoring the COVID-19 situations and will update our staff and residents as new information is reported. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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CLOSED**

**in response to COVID-19**

