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### **LOGAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICES UPDATES REGARDING COVID-19**

In order to minimize the health impacts of COVID-19, the Logan County Board of County Commissioners has taken the following action in an attempt to reduce public contact and protect the Logan County citizens. As a result, the **Logan County Courthouse** in downtown Sterling will be closed to the public as of Wed., March 18 until further notice.

There will be no public access to the Courthouse offices through at least Friday, April 3, when the Logan County Commissioners will reevaluate the closure situation. Until then, notifications and other information will be posted as needed at the south doors of the Courthouse.

Courthouse offices are urging residents to use online services, over the phone, by email and/or utilizing the drive-up drop box located in the Courthouse south parking lot as options for completing transactions. Offices will continue to staff phone lines and email, and will do their best to respond in a timely fashion during normal working hours of 8 am – 5 pm, Monday through Friday. Staff will be checking the drop box multiple times a day and upon request if needed.

In addition, no events will be held at **County-owned facilities** until at least Monday, April 6. Any events currently scheduled to take place at any County-owned facilities in that timeframe will be cancelled. A status review will take place prior to April 6.

### **Logan County Clerk's Office**

#### Motor Vehicle:

- Most services are available online at [www.mydmv.colorado.gov](http://www.mydmv.colorado.gov): vehicle registration/tag renewals (even when expired or in the grace month), duplicate registration or title requests, address changes, disability parking, and more.
- If you are in doubt or have any issue renewing online, call our office: 970-522-1158. There may be ways staff can help or ways to complete a transaction over email: [baconp@logancountyco.gov](mailto:baconp@logancountyco.gov).
- Private party sales (person to person vehicle sales), call first to verify you have all the necessary paperwork. Place title properly signed off and on by the buyer, copy of buyer ID, copy of insurance, and check payment in the 24/7 drive-up drop box located in the Courthouse south parking lot
- Vehicle Title name/ownership changes. Please call first to verify all necessary paperwork.
- Special Mobile Machinery (SMM) registration
  - Temp Tags – email or place in an envelope and put in the 24/7 drive-up drop box a copy of the bill of sale or title properly assigned, copy of valid insurance, copy of ID with contact number and we can issue temp tag over the phone with proper payment. Temp Tag will be mailed to customer.

- Duplicate titles – can be done online or we will email a form, and with proper payment and the form filled out, it can be returned in the 24/7 drive-up drop box.
- Call first for all other services: 970-522-1158 and we will do our best to help you via phone and mail or e-mail.

#### Recording:

- Logan County office will only issue marriage licenses as our in-person service, by appointment only to control gathering of the public. **This is limited to the Bride and Groom only. Call for information 970-522-1544 on the process.**
- All other recording services, such as recording a document, searching records, etc. will be handled over the phone, by mail or by 24/7 drive-up drop.
- Call our office for assistance: 970-522-1544
- Email [baconp@logancountyco.gov](mailto:baconp@logancountyco.gov)

#### Elections:

- Please go to [www.govotecolorado.gov](http://www.govotecolorado.gov) or call our office for assistance with voter registration and election-related needs: 970-522-1544
- Email [baconp@logancountyco.gov](mailto:baconp@logancountyco.gov)

Applications for job openings can be sent via email or placed in an envelope and put in the 24/7 drive-up drop box located in the Courthouse south parking lot.

#### **Logan County Treasurer's Office and Public Trustee's Office**

Property tax payments may be made by: mail at Logan County Treasurer, 315 Main Street, Suite 4, Sterling, CO 80751; paid over the phone at 970-522-2462 (a convenience fee will be applied); online at [www.logancountycoaat.com](http://www.logancountycoaat.com) (a convenience fee will be applied); or via drop box located in the Courthouse south parking lot. Reminder: the full payment is due on or before April 30, 2020 and second half payment on or before June 15, 2020.

Foreclosure sales scheduled during closure of the Courthouse, will be continued week to week until the Courthouse reopens.

Our office will remain open to answer questions by telephone at (970) 522-2462, or email to [bartlettp@logancountyco.gov](mailto:bartlettp@logancountyco.gov).

#### **Logan County Assessor's Office**

Personal Property Declarations and Senior Exemption Forms can be mailed to our office or you can also use the drive-up drop box located in the Courthouse south parking lot. The Personal Property Declarations are due April 15, 2020.

All forms are also available on the Assessor's Office website at [www.logancountycoaat.com](http://www.logancountycoaat.com). The Assessor's Office website provides read access to property assessment and tax record information for Logan County, Colorado.

For more information please call 970-522-2797 or use the online option at [www.logancountycoaat.com](http://www.logancountycoaat.com), or contact by email at [michaelsp@logancountyco.gov](mailto:michaelsp@logancountyco.gov).

## **Logan County Landfill**

The landfill will remain open at this time.

## **Logan County Heritage Center**

The Heritage is closed until further notice. The meet and eat program will continue, although no lunch will be served at the Heritage Center. Customers can pick up their meals or have them delivered. Safety precautions will be in place by arranging to leave the meals at the customer's door. Call 970-522-1237 for more information.

Sterling Dance Club dances at the Heritage Center are suspended until further notice. In addition, all volunteer programs for the Alzheimer's Association have been cancelled until further notice, and there will be no education classes in April.

## **Veterans Service Officer**

Veterans can call 970-520-5876 or send emails to [hayniej@logancountyco.gov](mailto:hayniej@logancountyco.gov) for any concerns/issues you have with the VA. Veterans wishing to file claims for VA Health Benefits and/or VA Disability Compensation will be mailed the appropriate forms. When the forms arrive, please call the office and a telephone appointment will be set up to complete the application/claim forms. Once the forms have been completed and signed by the veteran, they need to be mailed to: John Haynie, Veteran Service Officer, 315 Main Street, Sterling, CO 80751; and they will be faxed into the Claims Intake Center in Janesville, WI for processing. Forms can also be dropped off in the 24/7 drive-up drop box in the Courthouse south parking lot. Haynie will be staffing his office for phone calls and emails Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

In addition, the DVA Eastern Division Office in Denver is closed so veterans needing to check on the status of their claims or have particular questions should contact Haynie until further notice.

## **Logan County Fair**

All night show season ticket orders must be received at the Courthouse by WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18 by dropping in the drive-up drop box in the Courthouse south parking lot. Upgrades for season tickets have been extended to Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20 and will be handled by phone only at 970-522-0888, ext. 222. Upgrades will be made in order of calls received.

The entertainment for the night show will be announced via a Facebook live video at 5:30 pm, Friday, March 20 on the Logan County Fair and Rodeo Facebook page. All fair event tickets, including night show, go on sale to the general public at 5:30 p.m., Friday, March 20 online only at [www.lcfair.org](http://www.lcfair.org), and can also be purchased by phone beginning at 8 a.m., Monday, March 23 at 970-522-0888, ext. 222. There will be NO walk in sales until further notice.

## **Logan County Department of Human Services**

Documents or verification proof for assistance programs only (for example: food assistance, medical assistance, Colorado Works, etc.) can be emailed to [logan\\_edms@state.co.us](mailto:logan_edms@state.co.us). DO

NOT use this email address to report fraud referrals, child or adult protection issues, or to ask questions about your case as this email is NOT monitored.

To apply for LEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program) to help pay your home heating costs, contact Logan County Department of Human Services (DHS) at 970-522-2194 for an emailed application, as well as for all other information regarding DHS options for online or non-face-to-face transactions.

### **Logan County Extension Office**

The Extension Office will be following the same protocols as the Logan County Courthouse. Office doors will be closed but there will be a service window open for walk-ins in the lobby. Staff will be available by phone and email as follows:

Brian Kailey – Director, 4-H youth/ Natural Resource Agent, 970-522-3200 ext. 3, [brian.kailey@colostate.edu](mailto:brian.kailey@colostate.edu); Missie Payne, Family and Consumer Science Agent, 970-522-3200 ext. 2, [missie.payne@colostate.edu](mailto:missie.payne@colostate.edu); JD Sexton, Livestock Agent, 970-522-3200 ext. 5, [JD.sexton@colostate.edu](mailto:JD.sexton@colostate.edu); Wilma Trujillo, Agronomist, 970-522-3200 ext. 7, [wilma.trujillo@colostate.edu](mailto:wilma.trujillo@colostate.edu); LeeAnn Lambert, Administrative Assistant, 970-522-3200 ext. 1, [lmclavey@logancountyco.gov](mailto:lmclavey@logancountyco.gov).

### **Logan County Pest Control District, Logan County Shooting Sports Complex and Sunset Gardens**

Please direct inquiries to Dave Appelhans: [dappelhans@logancountyco.gov](mailto:dappelhans@logancountyco.gov) or call 970-580-2085.

### **Logan County Visitor Center**

The visitor center is closed to the public until further notice.