

PRESS RELEASE



The City of Brockville's Response to COVID-19

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 8, 2020 - 9:30 am - Community Strong Food Drive

Brockville City Council in partnership with the Brockville Winter Classic have organized a community food drive **on Saturday April 11, 2020 from 10 am-2 pm**. The north and south routes both begin at 10 am.

The Brockville and Area Food Bank is in need of donations due to the increased demand for support. The Community Strong Food Drive will be an opportunity for the community to donate safely while remaining on their own property, and to show their support to help #flattenthecurve.

"Our Brockville Winter Classic team believes in our community and we want to be a part of helping Brockville during this time of need. We are happy to do our part and look forward to Saturday." - Jeff Severson

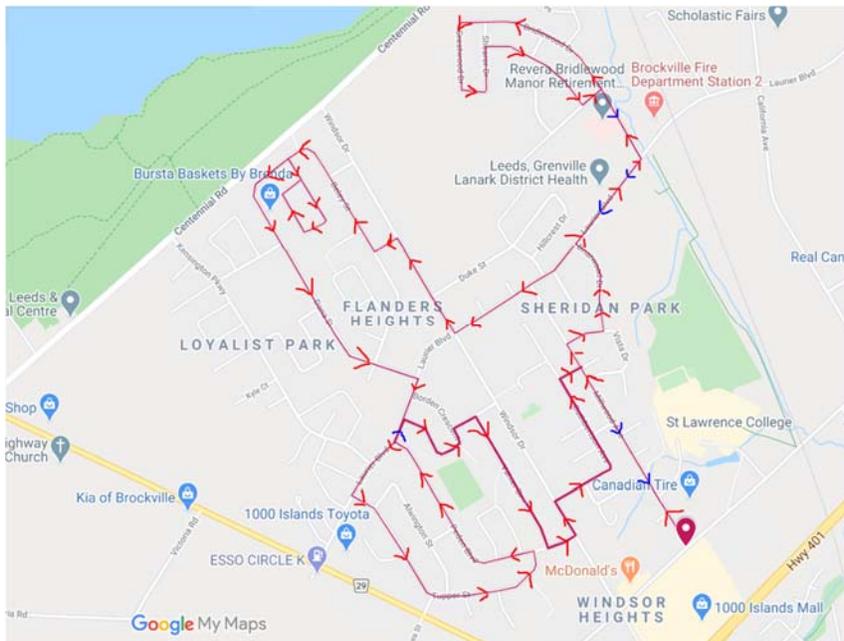
"City Council understands how stressful this time is for our residents and our businesses. We saw this as an opportunity for our community at least for a part of one day to be able to channel their energy into a positive community event" – Mayor Jason Baker

A small parade of vehicles with an escort of emergency vehicles will drive around the city on a pre-determined route while maintaining social distancing and precautionary measures. To add to the community spirit of the event, a solo musician will perform on the back of one of the vehicles.

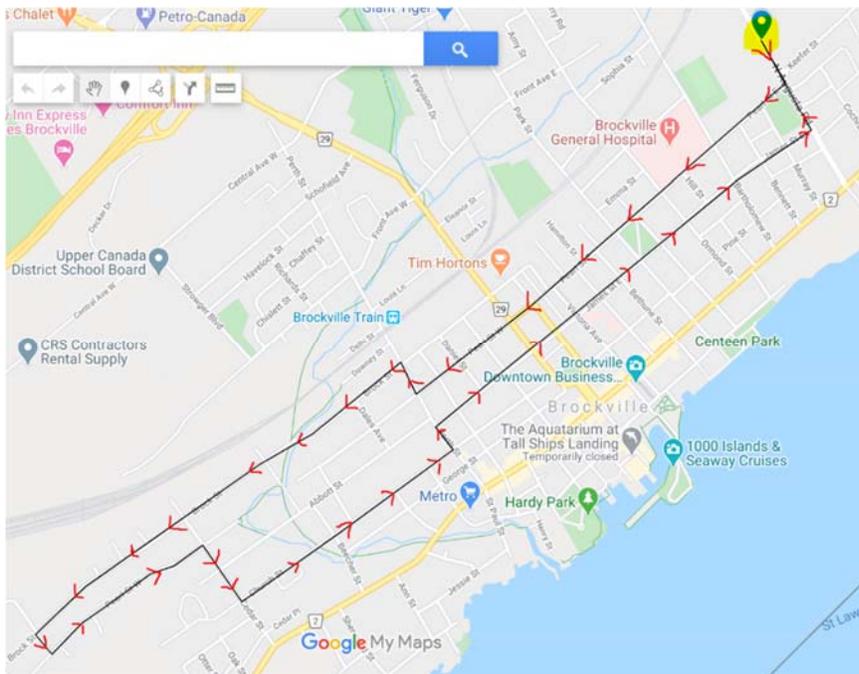
Residents can participate by placing non-perishable food items at the end of their driveways in advance of the parade before it enters their street, and then return to the safety of their homes to watch the pickup from their windows or front porches.

Route details can be found at <https://brockville.com/covid19-newsrelease>

North End Route begins and ends on the corner of Parkedale Ave. and Millwood Ave.



South End Route begins and ends near the corner of North Augusta Ave. and Pearl St. East.



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NORTH ROUTE

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1OpRs2L58KPWakERUPMZHxAay44diRsTe&usp=sharing>

SOUTH ROUTE

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=17NFSG74y5RIZkQOFqadpKMfgN7dJUDG&usp=sharing>

No cash donations will be accepted at this time; those wishing to make a monetary donation can do so online at

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/10903>

The City would also like to remind and encourage everyone to follow the recommendations of our public health agency.

- Properly wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Engage in proper cough or sneeze etiquette, including but not limited to covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze and disposing of used tissues immediately
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth
- Refrain from shaking hands with another person
- Practice social distancing of at least 2 metres
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

If you have symptoms of a respiratory illness of any kind (e.g. fever, coughing, shortness of breath, etc.) you are asked to stay home and seek medical treatment.

The City of Brockville continues to review the situation on a day to day basis while we take all necessary precautions towards the spread of COVID-19.

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Visit our Website for more information <https://brockville.com/covid19>
or Follow us on Twitter for notifications: <https://twitter.com/BrockvilleON>

Additional Resources:

[Government of Canada](#)

[Health Canada](#)

[Ontario Ministry of Health](#)

[Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit](#)

[World Health Organization](#)