

Dear Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department Patrons and community members,

In response to COVID-19 and the need for social distancing, the Mayor and Council, in partnership with our department have decided to close the Bloomfield Civic Center, 84 Broad St as a public meeting space until further notice. This includes community meetings, seminars, social gatherings and programming.

All Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs (BPRCA) recreational programs, activities and events have been suspended until further notice.

Other Bloomfield Sports Organizations such as Little League, Soccer Club and William Foley Football/Cheerleading have taken a similar approach but please reach out to them for more information specific to their programs.

Currently the BPRCA department is still registering for Spring Programs. However our registration portal is on an “Administrative Setting” so you would have to call 973-743-9074 and speak to a staff member to register. You can still register for spring programs but we are not accepting payment at this time. After registering, a balance will be applied to your family account and will be due when programming resumes.

Our administrative staff is working diligently with our program instructors and WBMATV and is excited to host a series of on-line recreational and educational programs so you and your family can view and participate in the comforts of your own home. Please visit our website and Facebook pages periodically for updates. In addition to these on-line programs we have assembled a list of fun websites that your family can click to participate in fun and creative activities:

**Search recipes by ingredients that you have at home in your fridge and pantry**

<https://fridgetotable.com/>

[http://www.recipekey.com/my\\_pantry.php](http://www.recipekey.com/my_pantry.php)

**Online Coloring Pages**

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

<https://www.online-coloring.com/>

**Printable coloring pages**

<https://www.crayola.com/featured/free-coloring-pages/>

## **Activities for kids**

<https://4-h.org/parents/stem-agriculture/youth-stem-activities/>

<https://scitoys.com/>

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

<https://origami-n-stuff4kids.blogspot.com/>

<https://www.artforkidshub.com/how-to-draw/>

The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department appreciates your patience and understanding during this difficult time. Both active and passive recreational opportunities are an essential component to a happy and healthy community. It is a responsibility that our department takes great pride in and will continue to strive to serve our residents to the best of our ability.

As always you can call our department at 973-743-9074 if you have any questions or concerns as well as email us at [recreation@bloomfieldtwpnj.com](mailto:recreation@bloomfieldtwpnj.com). Please visit our website at [www.bloomfieldrecreation.org](http://www.bloomfieldrecreation.org) and Facebook page periodically for updates.

Best wishes,

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Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs

Check out information about the outbreak from local, state, and national agencies below.

**[New Jersey 24 Hour Public Health Line 1-800-222-1222](https://www.nj.gov/health/eha/24hourpublichealthline)**

## **Links**

- [The Center for Disease Control and Prevention](https://www.cdc.gov/)
- [Prevention and Symptoms](https://www.cdc.gov/nczod/diseases/zoonotic/dx/2019-nCoV/symptoms-prevention.html)
- [New Jersey Department of Health](https://www.nj.gov/health/)
- [National Institutes of Health](https://www.nih.gov/)
- [Fogarty International Center at the National Institutes of Health](https://www.fic.nih.gov/)
- [National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases](https://www.cdc.gov/niaid/)
- [U.S. Department of Health and Human Services](https://www.hhs.gov/)

[World Health Organization](https://www.who.int/)