

MEDIA RELEASE

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Easter Weekend in Barrie: Affected Services Virtual GIS egg hunt returns for the second year

(Barrie, ON) A number of services are affected by holiday weekends. The following City services will be affected this Easter weekend:

Barrie Transit

There will be **no** Transit service on Friday, April 2 or Sunday, April 4. Regular Hourly Service returns on Monday, April 5. For full information on Transit service impacts due to COVID-19, please visit www.barrie.ca/TransitNotices.

Curbside Collection

There will be no garbage, organics, recycling and yard waste collection on Friday, April 2 in Barrie. Collection for this day will occur on Saturday, April 3. Collection will occur as usual on Monday, April 5, and will remain on the regular schedule throughout the week. Yard Waste collection occurs weekly during the months of April, May and June. Please have materials curbside by 7 a.m. (www.barrie.ca/CurbsideCollection)

City Hall

Barrie City Hall will be closed on Friday, April 2 and Monday, April 5.

Recreation & Community Centres

Allandale Recreation Centre, East Bayfield Community Centre and Holly Community Centre will be closed on Friday, April 2. To book a future time at the centres to swim, work out, take part in a fitness class, or to register for select programs, visit <u>play.barrie.ca</u>.

Parking

Downtown parking (on-street and lots) is free on all statutory holidays. Barrie residents require a Resident Parking Pass in order to park for free at specific waterfront areas. Non-residents are charged \$10/hour with a daily max of \$50; waterfront paid parking is enforced 24/7/365. For more information, visit barrie.ca/parking.

Visit <u>barrie.ca/services</u> to confirm the current status of all City services during the COVID-19 pandemic.



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This Easter weekend, the <u>Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit</u> is advising that residents keep close contacts limited to only members of their household. They recommend that if you do gather, do it outside, follow the provincial restrictions, wear a mask or physical distance, and stay home if you are sick.

Barrie residents are once again invited to participate in a virtual egg hunt from home this weekend. Due to the current health regulations, the virtual egg hunt replaces the in-person egg hunts that typically happen at City recreation centres on Easter weekend. The Easter Bunny has hidden eggs across the city that can only be found using Discover Barrie, the City's Geographic information System (GIS) mapping tool. Visit discover.barrie.ca and click on "Web Maps" to access the map and clues.

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