



# South Buffalo Community Association

@ The Tosh Collins Community Center  
35 Cazenovia Street, Buffalo NY 14220 / (716) 822-4532

## Center to Reopen August 24th

Greetings! I'm so happy to let you know that we will be reopening the Tosh Collins Community Center starting Monday August 24th. After nearly 5 months, we will start to serve again the Congregate Dining lunches. Of course with COVID-19, things are going to be a little different. There will be new rules, new procedures, and new guidelines to follow.

I am also excited to finally meet you! As you may or may not know, Kris Parisi retired in March and I took over as Executive Director of the South Buffalo Community Association. During the closure, we have been cleaning the Center, sprucing up the place, and getting ready for the day we can reopen. I have written COVID-19 Safety Plans that have been accepted by our Board of Directors, the City of Buffalo, Erie County, and New York State. Your health and well-being is our #1 priority. But us reopening and staying open will rely on YOU to follow the rules. If you cannot follow the rules, we will be forced to close again.

So please be sure to read this whole letter for important information before coming back to the Center of August 24th.

See you then!

*Michael Weidrich*  
Executive Director

### **MASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES IN THE CENTER**

Only when seated, may you remove your mask to eat.

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- From August 24- September 4, we will only be serving lunch
- Doors will open at 11:30 AM
- Everyone will have their temperature scanned at the door
- Everyone will have to sign-in and sign a waiver
- Each Senior will sanitize their hands
- Maintain a 6-foot distance from each other
- Lunch will be served at table at Noon
- Tables and chairs are marked and spaced for your safety. You must sit in the designated seats.
- All attendees must leave the Center by 1:30 pm
- We plan to phase in Bingo and other games after September 7
- If you use the restroom, wash your hands
- Anyone not following the rules will be asked to leave.

## LUNCH ORDERS

A member of the Center staff will call you August 17-18 to take your lunch order for the weeks of August 24th and August 31st. You will not be able to come to lunch if you have not preordered. Only people who have preordered will be allowed in the Center on those days. If you have any questions, feel free to call Kelly at 822-4532 x103.

## DAILY CENTER CHECK-IN PROCURES

Upon entering the Center, a staff member will scan your temperature. If you have a high temperature, you will be asked to leave immediately. If you are feeling ill, please stay home.

You will also be asked the following questions on the waiver form. You must answer NO to all of them to be allowed entrance to the Center:

- Have I had any flu like symptoms in last 14 days\_\_\_\_\_
- Have I tested positive for Covid 19 in last 14 days\_\_\_\_\_
- Have I been in contact with anyone that tested positive for Covid in last 14 days\_\_\_\_\_
- Have I been to any of the target states as per New York guidelines in last 14 days\_\_\_\_\_

## OTHER CENTER PROTOCOL

- Each employee will have a daily temperature check and wellness questions will be asked
- Every employee will be tested for Covid at least once a month
- All employees that serve food shall wear a mask and gloves
- Employees will come around to each table with a garbage bin and each Senior can throw out their own garbage
- There will be NO communal coffee pots, drink dispensers, salt & pepper shakers or condiment bottles. Condiment/salt & pepper packets can be supplied
- All tables and chairs will be sanitized before/after Seniors arrive/leave for the day
- All Erie County guidelines for sanitation will be followed
- We observe all CDC current guidance.
- All bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized frequently throughout the day
- All touched surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized frequently throughout the day

## FEEDBACK

As we reopen the Center, please do not hesitate to give us feedback on how we're doing. We want to get back to "normal" but it's going to take time. Please be patient and together, we'll get there.

My door is always open. And you can always reach me at 822-4532 x101 or email me at [mweidrich.sbca@gmail.com](mailto:mweidrich.sbca@gmail.com)



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