



Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation

6247 Indian Lane

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Dear Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation community members,

The health and safety of all community members is the top priority for Chief and Council, and we are working hard to limit the spread of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) into our community. **While there are currently no cases in the community**, this action is to protect our staff, and community members.

In order to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19, the Kettle and Stony Point First Nation Chief and Council have advised that KSPFN Administration services will be closed to the public effective immediately. We will continue to utilize senior administration staff to maintain day to day operations and support services, but at a reduced capacity. The Health Centre and Assisted Living Facility will remain closed and we are restricting visitors at this time.

We will continue to monitor the spread of the COVID-19 and commit to provide updates on the Nation's pandemic response. Over the next week we will work to provide updates on essential services in a timely and efficient manner as we continue to deal this rapidly changing situation.

Southwind Update

The community's businesses will be operating at a reduced capacity.

- Country Style has closed effective immediately.
- Points Preference will close its doors today and will be reopening Tuesday with a focus on community members and regular customers.
- Kettle Point Gas has committed to an enhanced cleaning regime and will remain open for the time being.



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Ontario Works

Ontario Works office will be issuing April 2020 cheques, with or without submission of their income statement if they are a current active recipient under Ontario Works. The following precautionary measures will be implemented effective immediately:

- Clients are required to contact the Ontario Works Administrator by telephone at 519-786-2125 Extension 112 and leave a detailed message and return number
- or email at cindi.george@kettlepoint.org
- No appointments will be scheduled with the client, only if it is deemed an emergency upon contacting the administrator by either telephone or email
- Clients are encouraged to submit their income statements via email or fax to their caseworker
- April 2020 cheques will be mailed, and ***not*** available for pick up at the office. Please make sure that your address is correct.
- Any Programming or client participation requirements will be cancelled until further notice

Should you have any further questions, please email the administrator at the above address.

Chief and Council will continue to monitor and respond to this rapidly changing situation. We will update the community as often and quickly as possible.