



Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation

6247 Indian Lane
Kettle & Stony Point FN, Ontario, Canada N0N 1J1

COMMUNITY UPDATE **January 14, 2021 Extended Closure**

As COVID-19 cases continue to rise around the Kettle and Stony Point First Nation at an unprecedented and alarming rate, the Community Control Group (CCG) has taken information from various credible sources throughout the Province to inform our decisions to help keep our community safe.

We know at this time that the vast majority of cases spreading throughout Ontario are through close social contact – people not wearing masks, people gathering at small and large social gatherings and shopping districts, people not physical distancing and, generally, people not staying home. These activities increase one's chance for COVID-19 exposure and, worse, community spread. The Province of Ontario reported that a new U.K. Variant of the COVID-19 virus is now beginning to arise. This poses a serious risk to our community members when individuals choose to travel away from home for non-essential purposes, including trips to the U.S.A., and continue to socialize within the community.

Effective January 12, 2021, the Province of Ontario has extended a Provincial-wide state of emergency for an additional 28-days and asking all non-essential workers to stay home. In addition, effective Thursday January 14, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., the government of Ontario is issuing a stay-at-home order requiring everyone to remain at home with exceptions for permitted purposes or activities, such as going to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care services, for exercise or for work where the work cannot be done remotely.

To avoid confusion and for protection of the community, the CCG has chosen to mirror the stay at home order within the Kettle and Stony Point First Nation.

- All non-essential offices and buildings in Kettle and Stony Point will remain closed for the extended provincial state of emergency up to February 15, 2021. Kettle and Stony Point staff will work remotely as much as is possible under the circumstances.
- Operation hours for non-essential community businesses will be within the 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. timeline.
- Outdoor organized public gatherings and social gatherings are restricted to a limit of five people with limited exceptions and with COVID-19 safety recommendations in place. This is consistent with the rules during the lockdown during the first wave of COVID-19 in spring 2020 and will allow individuals and families to enjoy time outdoors safely.
- Individuals are required to wear a mask or face covering in the indoor areas of businesses or organizations or departments that are open for essential services. Wearing a mask or face covering is now recommended outdoors when you can't physically distance more than two metres (6-feet).

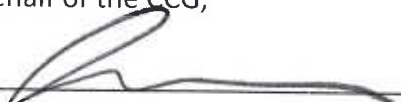


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- **Essential KSPFN services** include, but are not limited to **Health Services, the Assisted Living Facility (ALF), Ontario Works, Finance, Children's Services, Day Care, Hillside School, Public Works, IT and Administration**. Services will be available by appointment only and based on the current need.

As the Province of Ontario is expecting a continual increase in COVID-19 cases, we are asking all community members to please be cautious at this time. Take care of your family members – avoid unnecessary shopping trips, limit the amount of people entering your household, maintain social distancing, wash your hands with soap and water, use hand sanitizer (70% alcohol content or greater), wear your mask, and please get tested if you experience any symptoms related to COVID-19. On behalf of the CCG,


Chief Jason Henry


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NEWS RELEASE

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Provincial State of Emergency – ‘Stay at Home Order’

(Garden River) - The Anishinabek Police Service has been planning for the State of Emergency and ‘Stay at Home’ order enacted by the province of Ontario. The APS encourages our community members to stay at home and stay safe.

Our officers are aware that there is new regulations under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* and the *Reopening of Ontario Act* that can deal with enforcement during the state of emergency.

Our goal is for our community members and employees to be safe during the pandemic. We will be assisting our member communities in doing so by supporting them in their pandemic efforts. We will also utilize our member community’s laws, EMCPA and ROA when appropriate.

There has been no change in operations for the APS. Our detachments and headquarters continue to be closed to the public. They are staffed and will make allowances for operational, emergent & exigent needs.

Please remembers that any request for Criminal Record Checks for employment or other needs can be processed online at www.apscops.org.

As always if you require police for an emergency call 911. For non-emergent police matters contact the Provincial Communication Center at 1-888-310-1122. An officer will be dispatched to you.