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### **SKAGWAY TO SHELTER-IN-PLACE**

**Skagway, Alaska, March 25, 2020** – The Skagway Assembly has enacted Resolution No. 20-11R mandating that people within the Municipality of Skagway Borough shelter-in-place effective 10:00PM on Wednesday March 25, 2020. This order will be in place for two weeks and will be reassessed by 10:00 PM on Wednesday, April 8, 2020. This order limits activity, travel and business functions to only the most basic and essential needs. For complete details see resolution NO. 20-11R at [skagway.org/resolutions](http://skagway.org/resolutions). At all times social distancing guidelines should be followed.

**Basic and essential needs** are defined as necessary for the health and safety of individuals and their families. These include:

- Going to work in a critical job
- Going to the grocery store or similar, to purchase necessary supplies. Households should designate a single person for this
- Deliver groceries or goods sold by critical businesses
- Receive or provide medical care
- Get fresh air. Avoid high contact public areas including, playgrounds, ball parks, skate parks, outdoor exercise equipment, basketball courts, public benches, etc.

**Critical Skagway businesses** may be open to the public and include:

- grocery stores, food banks, marijuana dispensaries, hardware stores and similar establishments
- restaurants, bars, and breweries and other facilities that prepare and serve food and beverages, but only for delivery or carry out only
- gas stations, banks, and laundry services
- hotels, motels and overnight accommodations
- media services
- educational institutions for the purposes of facilitating distance learning
- childcare facilities
- services necessary for maintaining the safety, sanitation and essential operation of residences and businesses.

- healthcare operations including veterinary care
- first responders, critical infrastructure and essential government functions

**Noncritical Skagway businesses** must close their facilities to the public and encourage staff to telecommute when possible. When telecommuting is not possible, every effort must be made to observe social distancing guidelines in the workplace.

The goal is to limit groups congregating together in a way that could further spread COVID-19 within our community. Official COVID-19 information can be found at [skagway.org/covid19](https://skagway.org/covid19)