



Block Club Newsletter August 2020

Block Club Captains- Please share the following information with your neighborhoods. Thank You!

COVID-19 RESOURCES

To stay update to date on the most recent news and mandates please visit:

**State of Ohio
Coronavirus page:**
coronavirus.ohio.gov

**CDC Coronavirus
website:**
coronavirus.gov

**For Lakewood Specific
information:**
[onelakewood.com/corona
virus](https://onelakewood.com/coronavirus)

**Cuyahoga County
Board of Health:**
ccbh.net/coronavirus

City News

COVID-19 Update

All city services are open and available to the public. City hall is currently operating by appointment only. The Tax and Water department are open to the public for walk-ins but recommend making an appointment. Please visit <http://www.onelakewood.com/coronavirus/> for the most update information and changes to city hall operations.

The City of Lakewood recently passed a Local Face Mask Resolution. This legislation is another important step to combat the spread of COVID-19. Lakewood is leading the way in enacting impactful legislation to ensure that we are doing everything we can to prevent the spread of this disease or another economic shutdown. The legislation enables Lakewood's safety forces to respond more effectively to businesses not abiding by the Governor's Order. More details can be found [here](#).

The Ohio Department of Health issued an Ohio Public Health Advisory System. Cuyahoga County remains at a level 3 Public Health Emergency: *very high exposure and spread of coronavirus. Limit activities as much as possible.* Visit [here](#) for more information about this advisory system.

The 2020 Census is underway!

Lakewood is at a 68.5% self-response rate and the deadline to

respond is September 30, 2020. The census data helps inform where more than \$675 billion is distributed each year to communities, like Lakewood, and to federal programs, many of which our residents rely on. We know that COVID-19 has imposed serious long-term effects on our economy and residents. It is a crucial time to make sure Lakewood gets continued funding for critical services.



The COVID-19 pandemic delayed the start of census taker visits from mid-May to mid-August, giving the Census Bureau the opportunity to send one more reminder to households encouraging them to respond online, by phone or by mail. Responding now minimizes the need for census takers to visit homes to collect responses in person.

Ways to respond:

1. **Online** – visit my2020census.gov to complete the questionnaire online. You do not need your 12-Digit Census ID to complete the online form.
2. **By Phone**- to begin call 844-330-2020
3. **Mail**- you can mail back the paper questionnaire that was sent to your home

Crossing Guards Needed for the 2020-2021 School Year

School is scheduled to resume in August and school crossing guards are essential to keeping kids safe as they walk to school. The City of Lakewood is currently seeking applicants for the part-time position of School Crossing Guard. School Crossing Guards will work approximately 2 hours per day and earn \$15.00 an hour.

Applicants need to be able to work in inclement weather conditions, be able to move freely and capably during their work period and possess a valid driver's license and reliable mode of transportation.

To apply, you must be at least 18 years of age, have a high school diploma or GED, be physically able to meet the requirements of the job, and be able to pass a drug screening analysis and police background check.

Remember to check in with your friends and neighbors, especially our seniors!

Lakewood's Human Services Department continues to transition and meet the needs of the community during this time. The Department has provided our community with produce distributions, gift cards to families for groceries, wellness checks, virtual programming for our seniors and a virtual H2O summer camp.

Human Service's Division of Aging has adapted nutrition services during this time (starting March 23rd) by initially transferring any interested congregate dining participant to a home delivered meal route, while maintaining their traditional home delivered clients. The Division of Aging has added any resident over the age of 60 who has requested this service to their program. The Division on Aging is working hard to connect with their clients in regular phone calls, weekly activity bags and communications, grocery deliveries and virtual programming. They have begun to offer virtual activities through zoom and video

segments, which are posted on the Aging Facebook Page, the City's website and the monthly calendar. The health and well-being of our community is important, if you ever have a concern, connect our seniors and neighbors with our human services department by visiting [here](#) or calling 216-529-6685.

A Note from the Lakewood Police Department

The Lakewood Police Department reminds residents to please lock their cars and garage doors at night! There has been a recent uptick in vehicles that have been broken into or stolen. Key fobs should not be left in vehicles. **ALL** recent reports involving vehicles that have either been gone through or stolen, in all cases are from cars that were left unlocked.

City of Lakewood's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Program

The Department of Planning and Development offers several programs that may assist you in making improvements to your home or coming into compliance with a correction notice. If you qualify on income, you may be eligible for grants, forgivable loans, low-interest loans or rebates. If you are a senior (65+) or disabled, you may also qualify for a deferred loan with zero interest and no monthly program. Additional information is available at www.onelakewood.net/housingprograms. You can also reach out to the Department by email dcd@lakewoodoh.net or by calling 216-529-4663.

Are you registered to vote?

Visit the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections site [here](#) to learn more about registering to vote, voting by mail and important deadlines.

Staying safe in and around the pool this summer!

Electrical Safety around swimming pools, hot tubs and spas-

<https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:9091aa0c-7194-467f-8966-edef14c2d570>

Family swimming pool planning guide- <https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:e255cd06-c614-48f4-ad34-17bf302cc3f7>

Refuse & Recycling

Did you know? Items such as mattresses and box springs must be wrapped in plastic to ensure safe collection from your home or when dropped off at the City Division of Refuse. The city makes this convenient by offering plastic mattress bags for \$3.00 each at the City Division of Refuse at 12920 Berea Road. Please contact the Division of Refuse and Recycling at 216-252-4322 if you need to purchase bags for wrapping.

Once these items are wrapped, please call the Refuse and Recycling Division to schedule a pick-up of the items. Call: 216-252-4322

Do you still have Questions about Recycling? Lakewood follows the Cuyahoga County

Recycling program. Find all the Cuyahoga County Recycles information at www.cuyahogarecycles.org. It's easy - on this website you may search for items to determine "if" and "how" to recycle them.

The next holiday to affect collection is Labor Day, Monday, September 7th. Monday collection will be on Tuesday. The Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday collections will be on their regular day, but collections will begin by 6:30 a.m. so have your refuse out the night before. The Holiday Collection Schedule is always available on the city website at: <http://www.onelakewood.com/accordions/holiday-collection-schedules/>

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Twitter - @LakewoodOhio

Instagram - @CityofLakewoodOhio

Website: onelakewood.com

Report a problem or concern at:

City Website:

<http://www.onelakewood.com/report-a-problem-concern/>

OR

MyLakewood App (Download from your App Store)

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