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Recreation and performing arts program cancellations extended

DUNCAN, **BC** – The Cowichan Valley Regional District (CVRD) has extended the cancellation of recreation programming and postponement of performing arts events.

The cancellation of all CVRD recreation and community centre programming has been extended until April 30. All previously scheduled events at the Cowichan Performing Arts Centre up to May 31 have been postponed until further notice. While these facilities remained closed to the public at this time, Canadian Blood Services will be hosting donor clinics later this month:

- April 14, 15 & 16 Cowichan Community Centre
- April 20 Shawnigan Lake Community Centre

Interested donors should make an appointment online at www.blood.ca

CVRD recycling centres remain open with winter hours and visitor restrictions, and continue to accept yard waste free of charge. However, these facilities have seen significant increases in visitors over the last two weeks, resulting in long wait times for access. We ask that the public refrain from visiting recycling centres at this time unless absolutely necessary. This means piling yard debris and storing non-curbside collectible recyclables until a later date if possible.

The CVRD would also like to remind the public that the Cowichan region is subject to a provincial public health order banning all open burning in until April 15. Cowichan residents are also encouraged to familiarize themselves and follow all other provincial public health orders, like physical distancing requirements, when they are in public spaces including regional parks and trails. Failure to comply to with provincial emergency orders at this time can carry fines and potential jail time.

For more information about the CVRD response to COVID-19, including service delivery and contact information, please visit the COVID-19 Information page of our website. Residents are also encouraged to access our COVID-19 Reference Guide for an up-to-date list of resources.

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