



The Key to Your Community

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Dear Village Members,

As we anticipated, the District Government has decided to close schools, libraries and other services in order to slow the spread of the Corona Virus. We have previously agreed that, for the safety of members, volunteers, staff and interns, we would take this as our cue to temporarily discontinue in-person programming and move the office to remote operations. So, beginning Monday March 16, that is what we will do.

Staff will continue to be available by phone and email Monday through Friday, 9 am – 5 pm, to support you in the ways we always have. We have volunteers ready to assist with essential services, like making sure you have access to food, medications, and other necessities. We have created a new web page that contains a number of resources that we anticipate will be useful to you.

<https://capitolhillvillage.org/about/emergency-prep/covid19/>

If you don't have access to or don't use the internet, please call the office during regular business hours and we can review specific options related to your personal situation.

We are also in the process of developing an emergency response structure of Sector Captains and Co-Captains based on neighborhood location. In the coming days, you should be hearing by phone from one of these Village members asking you for some basic information about your current situation, and if you want to receive a daily check-in by phone or email. These Sector Captains and Co-Captains will help us make sure that you are connected and have the resources you need to take care of yourself. And they will alert us to any situations where Village staff may be needed. This is designed to supplement staff availability and to ensure we have a way to communicate if needs escalate. You are always welcome to call the office line and follow the prompts: 202-543-1778.

Please know that we are thinking of all of you and hoping this intensive period of isolation passes quickly and healthfully.

Wishing you good health,

Judy Berman