

COVID-19 Update

We encourage tenants to continue to follow the advice from Public Health and practice social distancing, handwashing and wearing a mask in public places.



Additional information can be found on the Public Health website at publichealthontario.ca.

Grey County Housing Staff Available

In an effort to control the spread of COVID-19, the Grey County Administration Building is currently closed to the public. Housing staff area always available to help and can be reached at 519-376-5744.

Maintenance issues can be reported by completing a maintenance request form or sending an email to housingrepairs@grey.ca. If there is an emergency after hours, such as a flood, fire, lockout, plumbing or electrical issue, please call the housing after hours line.

Phone: 519-376-5744
Fax: 519-376-0445
Email: housing@grey.ca

Facebook Account

Did you know that Grey County Housing has a Facebook account?

You can find the Facebook page at:



facebook.com/greycountyhousing

Follow us to receive up-to-date information, event details and much more.

Common Room Guidelines

When Grey County common rooms are opened back up, there are some key things to keep in mind when accessing the common room during the pandemic:



- Self-screen before entering the common room
- Follow the posted room capacity limit that has been posted
- Wear a mask and use hand sanitizer
- Ensure physical distance of two meters (six feet) is maintained at all times
- Clean any furniture/chairs that you may have used during your time in the common room
- Do not eat food while in the common room

Spring Clean Up

1. **Start Fresh:** Make your way around the house clearing off surfaces and only put back what you really love.
2. **Budget Your Time:** Be realistic about the time that you have available and choose a space to clean that you can fully complete within that time frame.
3. **Clean from Top to Bottom:** Save time by cleaning from the top of the room to the bottom and from one side to the other to avoid cleaning the same



area twice.

4. **Checklists are key:** Map out a plan ahead of time. Checklists are a great tool to help you stay focused and work quickly.
5. **Let the Fresh Air In:** At the first sign of a warm sunny day, open all the windows for a few hours. Let as much of that wonderful fresh air indoors as possible to clear out the winter stuffiness.

Has COVID Affected Your Income?

Has the COVID-19 pandemic affected your income? Are you having a difficult time paying your rent? If so, please reach out to your Tenant Services Coordinator for guidance and assistance.

Tax Return

File a tax return to get Ontario tax credits and benefits. Even if you received social assistance or didn't earn income, you could get money back by filing a tax return.

Need a hand?

If you have a modest income, tax-filing help is available at 1-800-959-8281.

In order for volunteers to complete your income tax and benefit return for you, make sure to have these things handy:

- Tax information slips
- Receipts
- Social Insurance Number
- Identification

Survey

The Georgian Triangle Humane Society is currently working on a *Community Needs Assessment* to identify the challenges faced by pet owners in our community. When these challenges are identified, they can work to address them and improve the lives of pets and the people that love them by providing resources, partnerships and interventions that are not currently available to those in need. They are



asking you to help by completing a brief online survey. Responses are anonymous. The survey can be found at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8YWPBZX> or on their website at [Community Member Survey - Georgian Triangle Humane Society \(gths.ca\)](http://Community Member Survey - Georgian Triangle Humane Society (gths.ca))

If you don't have access to the internet but would like to complete the survey, please call 705-445-5204 x 214 and they can complete the survey over the phone with you.