



## Vulcan County Regional Emergency Management Partnership (VCREMP)

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### RE: COVID-19 Update 83 (**RED text** indicates web link & New Information in **BLUE**)

Vulcan County Regional Emergency Management Partners are continuing to monitor the COVID-19 situation in Alberta. The latest Government of Alberta media releases can be found at <https://www.alberta.ca/news.aspx>

**While Municipal Offices and Operations within the region remain open, we are urging the public to use municipal websites, email and telephone to answer their inquiries.** Vulcan County Protective Services is open by appointment only. Fire Halls are closed to the public until further notice.

#### COVID Numbers within Vulcan County are as follows:

- **3 Active Case(s)**
- **62 Recovered**
- **3 Fatalities**

Please follow these [guidelines](#) and watch your municipal websites for further updates.

**Active cases within the Province** now stand at 4,793. **Testing has been completed on 1,255,081 people, accounting for 1,764,020 total tests.** The interactive Provincial map can be found [here](#).

Everyone, even persons not exhibiting symptoms or requiring mandatory self-isolation, is strongly encouraged to limit outings to a minimum, [observe social distancing](#) and avoid touching your face without first washing your hands.

**With the confirmation of a confirmed cases within our region, please remain vigilant in the practices that have been established.** Please ensure you are taking the proper precautions. **Tips for safe Halloween can be found [here](#)**

The Vulcan County Regional Emergency Management Partnership has put together [a series of videos on COVID-19](#) related themes:

- [Tips for Wearing Masks](#)
- [Tips for Washing Hands and Surfaces](#)
- [Tips on Public Distancing, Touching Your Face and Wearing Gloves](#)
- [When to See the Doctor](#)
- [Protect Our Communities](#)
- [Here for You](#)

Resources for the Low-German Mennonite community are continually updated by AHS and can be found [here](#).

#### Local Testing for COVID 19

Testing for COVID 19 continues to be offered locally at the Vulcan Community Health Centre, with a drive-thru process in place. We would like to remind the public that the Physician who completes the screening on a daily basis is the same physician who is on call at the clinic to accept walk in patients, and also on call in



our Emergency Department for any patients that may present including traumas. There may be wait times that are less than ideal, but we ask that the public remain patient during this process. While increased testing numbers have risen locally, active cases remain static at three.

### Provincial Measures and Indicators of COVID-19 Regional Risks

There are two indicators the Province is using as measures on how regions are doing, with three classifications:

#### **Open**

- low level of risk, no additional restrictions in place
- less than 50 active cases per 100,000

#### **Watch**

- the province is monitoring the risk and discussing with local government(s) and other community leaders the possible need for additional health measures
- at least 10 active cases and more than 50 active cases per 100,000

#### **Enhanced**

- risk levels require enhanced public health measures to control the spread
- informed by local context

### **811 Health Link**

Once again, people experiencing 7 symptoms are to take the **online** self-assessment.

As a further reminder, **811-health link is for those who are feeling ill and seeking advice.**

If you, or someone you care about, are feeling overwhelmed with emotions like sadness, depression, or anxiety, or feel like you want to harm yourself or others

- Mental Health Help Line at 1-877-303-2643
- Addiction Help Line at 1-866-332-2322

Above information sourced from: <https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans>

Sincerely,

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