



MUSEUM OF THE ALEUTIANS

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COVID-19 Mitigation Plan

The Museum of the Aleutians (MOTA) prioritizes the safety and health of our employees and the public and to do our part in mitigating the spread of the COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) virus. Our mitigation plan establishes how we will reopen and the methods we will employ to maintain the health of visitors, volunteers, and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are following guidelines from the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as well as the State of Alaska and City of Unalaska mandates and guidelines. Our COVID-19 Mitigation Plan, presented here, is subject to change based on further information provided by the CDC and federal, state, and local public officials. We may amend this plan as needed and is expected to change relative to the progression of the virus.

The Museum of the Aleutians returned to Phase 2 operation on **December 2nd, 2020** in accordance with the City of Unalaska's resolution 2020-74 and the elevation of the local risk factor to "HIGH" issued by the City of Unalaska. We will remain closed to the public for as long as the resolution stands and the risks are elevated.

Phase 2: Closure with limited services

Hours of operation: Galleries and Store are closed to the public, but the Museum will assist with store purchases over the phone, by email, or through our online store and we offer curbside pick-up for store purchases as well as delivery through the mail.

Staff: Staff available by phone and email. Staff will limit their hours and work from home when possible. One staff member will be in the building 4-8 hours per day. Staff will work as much as possible in their own offices with the door closed. Staff will wear masks in common use areas, wipe down surfaces in common use areas, and maintain social distancing. Staff meetings will be conducted via teleconference or online.

Volunteers: No Volunteers during Phase II

Programming: Virtual Programming only

Janitorial: Clean weekly (Staff and janitorial contractors will use CDC Guidelines for cleaning: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>)

Employees and Volunteers Responsibilities

MOTA is asking all employees to help with our prevention efforts which includes wearing face coverings in common spaces, practicing social/physical distancing, and other best practices at the Museum. Employees are expected to report to their supervisors if they are experiencing signs or



symptoms of COVID-19. Employees are expected to wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; avoid touching eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands; practice appropriate respiratory etiquette (i.e. covering mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing); and avoid close contact with people who are sick. Employees must familiarize themselves with the symptoms of COVID-19 which include coughing, fever, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing; and early symptoms such as chills, body aches, sore throat, headache, diarrhea, nausea/vomiting, and runny nose.

If an employee develops a fever or symptoms of respiratory illness, such as cough or shortness of breath, they cannot go to work, or access the building, and will contact their supervisor and healthcare provider right away. If an employee comes into contact with someone showing these symptoms, they will contact their supervisor or healthcare provider right away. In both cases, employee will follow CDC guidelines.

If an employee is confirmed to have COVID-19, the Museum will follow CDC guidance for businesses and employers responding to COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html>

A hard copy of this COVID-19 Mitigation Plan is available during business hours at the Museum of the Aleutians. Any questions, comments, and suggestions about this plan or its future versions should be directed to Virginia Hatfield, Executive Director, (907) 581-5150, virginiahatfield@aleutians.org

Hours of operation: Tuesday through Saturday, 11-4, for phone calls or curbside pick-up only. For assistance, email museumofthealeutians@gmail.com or call 907-581-5150

