



**Update: Cobalt/Coleman/Latchford Food Bank.**

**March 18, 2020**

**To: Patrons of the Food Bank and the Volunteers**

The Food Bank will remain open as scheduled; However, we ask that everyone who uses this service to be respectful of the new protocols the Town is implementing to protect the volunteers who provide this service as well as those who use the service.

As of today, we ask that patrons wait outside to be served. **ONLY Volunteers** are allowed inside the Food Bank *for precautionary measures*. The Volunteer staff will, one-at-a-time, take your information and then prepare your provisions. Once completed they will be brought outside to you.

We had our first experience with this new procedure, as Councillor Johnson and CAO Walker were on site, and the Town of Cobalt wants to thank all who came today for their positive responses and patience as well as understanding. Everyone was great about the changes and it made things go much smoother.

We had to react quickly as Dr. Corneil, Acting Medical Officer of Health Timiskaming Health Unit, had just announced that seniors over the age of 70 should self-isolate just before the doors opening of the Food Bank. We spoke to the Temiskaming Health Unit and cleared the measures with them that were used today.

The Town of Cobalt expresses their appreciation to the Food Bank Volunteers for their dedication to the Town of Cobalt, Coleman Township and Latchford.

Please note that there may be further changes to the protocols implemented today as we are waiting for further instruction from the Timiskaming Health Unit. Thank you for your understanding.

Brian R. Walker  
CAO-Clerk Treasurer  
Town of Cobalt