

Haines Friends of Recycling

Isolation plan during Covid 19 pandemic

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Recycling, as part of waste management, is deemed by the State of Alaska and the Haines Borough to be an essential service during this time of many businesses closing.

There are a number of steps we are taking to protect our employee, volunteers, and the public until physical distancing is no longer deemed necessary:

1. Access into the building is restricted to our paid employee
2. The Scrap Box, located inside the building, is closed.
3. Outside recycling bins remain available to the public; the public is strongly encouraged to maintain at least a six foot distance from others. We recommend that gloves be worn while dropping off your recyclables to avoid touching the bins and materials deposited by others.
4. Staff and volunteers are encouraged to use gloves and hand sanitizer (note: we don't have access to running water).
5. In-town recycling bins will not be available during the pandemic (Visitors' Center, Senior Center, Cruise Ship dock, Third and Main). We will continue to collect recycling at the Senior Village and toner/printer cartridges at Howsers.
6. HFR events that normally involve large groups are suspended until distancing is no longer deemed necessary by government and CDC standards. To the extent possible we will continue to offer public education and hold board meetings electronically.
7. We are accepting all usual recyclable materials and appliances with the exception of low-grade paper. Stay tuned for evolving information.