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| |  | | --- | | July/August 2020 | | Helping Hand  Are you or someone you know having trouble paying your bills or putting food on the table? If you need a helping hand during this difficult time, please contact the Borough Office at 412-828-4141. Any information provided will be kept strictly confidential.  Green Phase  Businesses in Blawnox are beginning to open. Restaurants are open for takeout. Please support our local businesses! | | Facebook Page  Be sure to check out our new Facebook page [www.facebook.com/blawnoxborough](http://www.facebook.com/blawnoxborough) | | **Blawnox Borough News**   **Borough Offices Closed to the Public**The Borough of Blawnox Offices are closed to the Public until further notice. Payments can still be dropped off in the drop box located to the right of the front door. Please call 412-828-4141 or email [blxoffice@blawnox.net](mailto:blxoffice@blawnox.net) with any questions or concerns.**Blawnox Community Park Open**The Blawnox Community Park is now open to the public! The playground and bathrooms will remain closed. Please remember to follow CDC Guidelines:  * If you are feeling sick, please stay home * Maintain social distancing * Wearing a mask is strongly encouraged * Refrain from group activities * Wash your hands before and after visiting * Avoid touching surfaces  **Fire Hydrant Flushing**The fire hydrants will be flushed during the last week of July or the first week of August. You may have reduced water pressure. Your water may be dirty or cloudy. If this happens, run the water until it is clear however, it is safe to drink. |

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| **Census 2020**  If you have not yet taken the opportunity to fill out your 2020 Census, please do it now. The Census is extremely important for communities like ours because it determines how funding is allocated. Time is running out!  **Dumpster Pick Up Notice**  Dumpsters in the Borough may not be picked up before 6:00 am.  **Parking in Front of Small Businesses**  As a friendly reminder, on street parking is limited. Please encourage your employees to utilize side streets or another form of parking so that customers can use the spaces in front of the businesses. | **Food Distribution** Beginning on June 29th, the Sharpsburg Youth Empowerment Program is coming to Blawnox to provide free meals to those 18 years old and under. Meals will be available Monday-Friday from 12-1pm in front of the borough building, 376 Freeport Road. They will consist of lunch and a snack. There is no income requirement however, name and age must be given at pickup.  **Please Keep Grass and Weeds Trimmed**Now that spring is here, remember that your grass and weeds should not exceed 6 inches in height. Please keep it trimmed.**Trash**Per Ordinance 596, household trash must be in a bag inside of a can with the lid on it. Outdoor trash, like weeds or leaves, can be placed outside of the can but must be in a black bag. Recycling must be placed in a separate marked container. Any recycling in a separate bag will be considered trash. Garbage cans must be put out after 5pm on Sunday and must be put back on Monday before 9pm.**Borough Council Meetings** Borough Council monthly meetings are being held via Zoom until further notice. Information to attend these Zoom meetings are available on our website: Blawnox.com. |

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