

## SHCS FACILITY REOPENING GUIDELINES

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COVID-19 INFORMATION</b>  <b>GUIDANCE FOR PLACES OF WORSHIP</b>                      alberta.ca/BizConnect                      Email: BizConnect@gov.ab.ca                      ©2020 Government of Alberta   Published: May 2020</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SHCS COMPLIANCE WITH GOVT. OF ALBERTA GUIDELINES - FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS</b>  <b>GUIDANCE FOR INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY &amp; PLACE OF GATHERING</b>                      3904B IST NE  <a href="mailto:info@shcscalgary.com">info@shcscalgary.com</a>                      CALGARY; ALBERTA</p>
<b>ALBERTA GOVT. GUIDELINES</b>	<p><b>Overview (Compliance)</b></p> <p>It is critically important that places of worship understand the potential for spread within their congregation and take steps to minimize the risk of spread and the impacts of COVID-19 on some high-risk populations. Places of worship should also follow the Workplace Guidance for Business Owners. Worship leaders are encouraged to continue to hold services remotely and using other creative mechanisms such as drive-in services. All places of worship should follow the public health guidance below and review their programming and worship services to keep everyone, especially the most vulnerable, safe.</p>	<p><b>Overview (Implementation)</b></p> <p>It is critically important that the SHCS instruction facility visitors understand the potential for spread within our congregation and take steps to minimize the risk of spread and the impacts of COVID-19 on the people who may be vulnerable while visiting our facility. The SHCS facility and visitors shall follow the public health guidance written in line with the Alberta Govt. guidelines provided in this document to keep everyone, especially the most vulnerable, safe. The facility will be open to Visitor as per the visiting times on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays to start. with limiting the number of people to 30 persons including the priest at a time within the facility</p>
	<p><b>COVID-19 Risk Mitigation</b></p>	<p><b>COVID-19 Risk Mitigation</b></p>
	<p><b>Supporting Congregants' Safety</b></p>	<p><b>Supporting Congregants' Safety</b></p>
	<p>Staff, visitors and congregation should use the self-assessment tool before attending.</p>	<p>Staff and visitors should use self-assessment tool of well being before visiting the facility</p>
	<p>Offer multiple services and opportunities to worship to reduce the attendance to 50 people or one third of normal worship service attendance, whichever is smaller and whichever ensures physical distancing will be maintained.</p>	<p>Services to members of the community will be restricted based on physical distancing guidelines</p>
	<p>Staff, visitors, and congregation should be provided information on the requirements for operation and the importance to prevent the spread of COVID-19.</p>	<p>Staff, visitors, and congregation should be provided information on the requirements for operation and the importance to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Visitors are required to make a note of the information provided on the media and the posters in the facility . This will help prepare the visitor.</p>
	<p>Consider posting signs indicating COVID-19 physical distancing protocols.</p>	<p>Posters within the premises of the facility will be displayed which shall be followed</p>
	<p>Physical distancing must be maintained between people who are not from the same household at all times.</p>	<p>Physical distancing must be maintained between people who are not from the same household at all times.</p>
	<p>Staff, visitors, and congregation may choose to wear non-medical masks, however, it is not required if physical distancing is maintained at all times.</p>	<p><b>Staff, visitors, and congregation shall wear non-medical masks.</b></p>
	<p>Infants and children should remain with their parents or guardians at all times. Nursery/children's church is not permitted.</p>	<p>Infants and children should remain with their parents or guardians at all times.</p>
	<p>Individuals not from the same household should be reminded to maintain physical distancing when returning to vehicles or homes.</p>	<p>Individuals not from the same household should be reminded to maintain physical distancing when returning to vehicles or homes.</p>
	<p>Consider having cohort families, whereby two cohort families sit together with sufficient spacing between them and other cohort family pairs.</p>	<p>Consider having cohort families, whereby two cohort families sit together with 2 meters(6 ft) spacing between them and other cohort family pairs.</p>
	<p><b>Supporting Staff and Religious Leaders</b></p>	<p><b>Supporting Staff and Religious Leaders</b></p>
<p>Religious leaders should support COVID-19 prevention activities, procedures, and education.</p>	<p>Instructors should support COVID-19 prevention activities, procedures, and education.</p>	
<p>Staff and volunteers should be given information and training about appropriate physical distancing, processes, and hygiene practices.</p>	<p>Staff and volunteers should be aware and enforce about appropriate physical distancing, processes, and hygiene practices.</p>	
<p>Staff should wear appropriate PPE if they are unable to maintain 2 meters of separation from congregants.</p>	<p>Staff should wear appropriate face masks and are required to maintain 2 meters (6ft) of separation from other congregants.</p>	

**REQUIREMENTS FOR REOPENING OF SHCS FACILITY-AS PER A**

<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Facilities</b>
Control and stagger entry into facilities.	The facility will have a regulated entry for control of physical distancing . SHCS will have registers to record people or families entering the facility. Visitors are requested to fill out the register.
Congregant lineups should be reminded of the importance of physical distancing. This should be clearly marked to prevent congestion.	Posters within the premises of the facility will be displayed which shall be followed
Organizations should maintain a single point of entry and a separate point of exit.	The facility will have a single point of entry and a separate point of exit to regulate there movement of people
Hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol content must be available at facility entrance and exit and available throughout the venue.	Hand washing provisions with detergents soaps or Sanitizers will be available for the people visiting the facility
Congregants should be reminded to clean their hands on entry and exit.	Congregants will be reminded to clean their hands on entry and exit through the facility
Develop and implement procedures for increasing the frequency of cleaning and disinfecting of high traffic areas, common areas, public washrooms.	Depending upon the number of visitors to the facility, some guidelines for disinfecting the common areas, public washrooms, common and high traffic areas will be determined based on experience.
Frequently clean and disinfect high-touch/shared surfaces such as: doorknobs, light switches, toilet handles, faucets and taps, elevator buttons, railings.	Adequate disinfectant wipes, spray and detergents will be available at the facility to meet this requirements.
Facilities should be cleaned and sanitized at least once between services.	We do not have visitors seating arrangement, and do not have intimate contact with the furnishings etc., since the visitors will generally be in transitory mode, their stay in the facility approx. 30 minutes or less. Hence frequency of sanitizing of the facility will determined based on experience.
Seating should be arranged or marked (in case of pews) to ensure social distancing.	No seating arrangement is being provided for the visitors and staff with the exception of the persons with special needs.
Facility rental programs should be suspended if they cannot adhere to gathering restrictions.	Facility rental programs for instructions will be suspended if they cannot adhere to gathering restrictions.
<b>Cultural and Religious Practices</b>	<b>Cultural and Religious Practices</b>
Services should not include providing cooked food, open food, or beverages.	Services will not include providing cooked food, open food, beve rages, fruits,milk , dry fruit and curd. SHCS may provide Provide Akshada (White Rice with Turmeric).
Services must not include sharing food or beverages.	Services will not include sharing food or beverages and visitors shall not bring any food or beverages for sharing with others in the facility.
Services must not include any contact between congregants such as hand shaking or the sharing of communal items (e.g. communion chalice).	Services will not include any contact between congregants such as hand shaking or the sharing of communal items
Social activities (e.g. communal dinners, lunches) outside of services are not permitted.	Social activities (e.g. communal dinners, lunches) outside of services are not permitted.
<b>Singing</b>	<b>Singing</b>
Congregational singing is a high-risk activity and is not allowed. Infected people can transmit the virus through their saliva or respiratory droplets while singing. Consider soloist music or piano/guitar offertories as an alternative.	Congregational singing is a high-risk activity and is not allowed. Infected people can transmit the virus through their saliva or respiratory droplets while singing. Consider soloist music or piano/guitar offertories as an alternative.
While there is no evidence of exactly what a safe distance would be to prevent transmission from someone singing, if one or two people are singing as part of a live streamed or recorded service, factors that would reduce risk would be having the singers face away from others, or having barriers (e.g. Plexiglass) that separate those singing from each other and any others, and ensuring that there are no individuals with chronic medical conditions or those over 65 present.	SHCS will defer any singing or chanting by the visitors during the period the restriction in in effect . Only the instructor is allowed to communicate any instructions. There should be complete silence to be followed by the visitors to the facility while within the premises.
Note that if the singers are members of the same household, risk mitigation between them would be unnecessary.	This relaxation is not applicable since we will defer any singing within the premises
<b>Drive in Services</b>	<b>Drive in Services</b>
Drive-in services may be held in designated parking lots or staging areas, and must meet the following conditions:	Any requests for outdoor services like car pooja will be considered based on request following the distancing guidelines as prescribed.

	Event organizers must have measures in place to keep people from leaving their vehicles at the service.	Social distancing guidelines will be followed during this service
	Vehicles should be separated by a minimum of two meters.	Vehicles shall be separated by a minimum of two meters for parking
	Where washroom access is provided, frequent cleaning and disinfection must occur.	This is not applicable as no portable wash rooms are provided outside the facility
	People leaving their vehicles to use the washrooms must maintain a minimum of two meters of separation from others at all times.	This is not applicable as no portable wash rooms are provided outside the facility
	<b>Support for Public Health</b>	<b>Support for Public Health</b>
	To enable management of cases through contact tracing and follow-up, keep a listing of congregants who were present for services.	A Register will be provided for visitors to sign in when they come to the facility
	Maintain an up-to-date contact list for all staff and volunteers, including names, addresses and phone numbers.	An up-to-date contact list for all staff and volunteers, including names, addresses and phone numbers is maintained by the executive committee.
<p><b>NOTE:</b></p> <p>1)SHCS will not offer Arathi, Shatari, Tirtham or Prasad to the visitors during the services.</p> <p>2)Facility cleaning in common areas is currently once in 3 weeks since it is not open to public. Frequency of cleaning may be increased</p> <p>3)Bookings for any external services will be offered by limiting the number of people to 5 persons in the external premises it is offered.</p>		