

RHYTHM ON THE RAILS PREPAREDNESS PLAN 2021



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Throughout the challenges presented by the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Shakopee Area Chamber's goal has been to establish and advocate a balance between safeguarding health and protecting Minnesota's economy. We plan to implement those same practices with our upcoming Rhythm on the Rails Concert Series- a vital economic and tourism attraction to for our downtown Shakopee community.

1. Screening
 - a. Health screening for employees and volunteers on site
 - b. On site temperature and health screenings for all attendees upon entry
 - c. Encouraging participants to not attend when feeling sick
2. Access
 - a. Access to current information regarding Covid-19 regulations and guidelines
 - b. Access to consistently updated event regulations/implementations to abide by current Covid-19 guidelines
3. Face Coverings
 - a. Face coverings will be mandatory for all attendees, staff, volunteers, third party vendors, suppliers and law enforcement
 - i. Children age 2 and younger will not be required to wear masks per CDC guidelines, but it is still encouraged
 - b. Access to face coverings for employees and volunteers
 - c. Other protective measures for workers (gloves, plexiglass shields) as needed
4. Enhanced Safety Measures
 - a. Continuous cleaning protocols provided by staff/volunteers
 - i. Develop cleaning schedule to ensure frequently touched surfaces are cleaned in regular intervals
 - b. Social distancing protocols implemented
 - i. Separated food court with grab & go menu items only
 - ii. No seated areas for gathered eating/drinking
 - iii. Provide visual markers on floors for six-foot distancing, per CDC guidance
 - iv. Actively monitoring and, when needed, metering customer traffic to promote social distancing
 - c. Provide barricades around the facility and designated event area to prevent excess number of participants/unregistered participants from entering

5. Hand Sanitize Stations
 - a. Hand sanitizer stations will be positioned throughout the event
 - b. One hand sanitizer station will be provided every 250 persons
 - c. All vendors, kid zone areas, food trucks, ticket tents, drink stations, and restrooms will provide additional hand sanitizer
6. Attendance
 - a. Monitoring and metering the number of people in attendance
 - i. Tickets required for event entry
 1. Can be reserved online in advance
 - a. Tickets will still be free of charge
 - b. 6 ticket maximum per household
 - c. Tickets to include children age three and older
 - ii. Attendees must provide contact information (name & valid phone number) in the event that COVID-19 tracing is necessary
7. Contactless Practices
 - a. Providing an option for contactless payment with cards
 - b. Discouraging the use of cash payment from attendees
 - c. Possible implementation of 'pre-paid' food/drink tickets to lessen person-to-person interaction
8. Vendor Engagement
 - a. Request health assessments for vendors/contractors coming on site or provide health screenings on site
 - b. Prohibit nonessential vendors and deliveries from entering main facility
 - c. Require all vendors & their staff to wear masks, provide appropriate PPE and follow all Covid-19 guidelines
9. Communication & Signage
 - a. Post internal signage that can be used to alert/remind participants about guidelines, expectations, and responsibilities. Post external signs on doors or restrooms, hand washing stations, sanitizer stations, ticket stations, etc. to remind attendees of proper protocols (ie: sanitize hands, wear masks, socially distance)
 - b. Maintain an up-to-date repository on our website (Shakopee Chamber) as well as Facebook pages (Rhythm on the Rails, Downtown Shakopee, Shakopee Chamber) that allows attendees to access all Covid-19 event guidelines, resources, and protocols
10. As Circumstances Change, So Do We
 - a. We implement this preparedness plan and all its guidelines with the understanding that these practices may change throughout the course of planning the event. As CDC guidelines and State of Minnesota regulations adjust in the coming months, we will mirror our methods with the recommendations of the CDC and Minnesota government.