



Outdoor Dining, Sales & Displays

Easy & temporary permits to safely reopen Hartland

Hartland Township wants to help your business be successful, as you help our community safely revive. We know that social distancing requirements will limit the number of customers you can serve. Fresh air during Michigan's beautiful summer months is also a great prescription for health. Let's work together to find creative ways to use outdoor space to support your business needs temporarily.

1. Make a simple plan

Want to add or expand an outdoor dining area? Want to display goods in front of your business? Want to have a sidewalk sale? Want to put any of these activities under a tent? Just draw a quick diagram of your plan & write a brief description. Remember to plan for health, safety, egress, parking, lighting, electrical, etc.

2. Get free Township approval

Share your plan with our Planning Department. We promise it is an easy application to get your basic information. If you have a landlord, they will also need to give us their approval of your plan. We will review your plan very quickly & get right back with you.

3. Follow all the guidelines

Your approval will be conditioned on your compliance with other regulators, including COVID-19 related practices. Your plan will also be shared immediately with the Hartland Deerfield Fire Authority, who have committed to visiting your property promptly & offering you some direct guidance. They will be looking for safe access to buildings, occupancy numbers, electrical extension cords & generators, heat/flame sources, etc.

If you have a liquor license, please be sure to follow Liquor Control Commission (LCC) directions. We had a great conversation with them. They support what we are doing & are offering flexibility for you. Check out this link: https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_10570_16941-529133--,00.html

We also talked with the Livingston County Health Department & they support our efforts. Restaurants don't need their permission to just follow the most recent Governor's Executive Order. For now, check out section 8 of Executive Order 2020-91: https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499_90705--,00.html

4. Thrive!

Let our residents support your business & enjoy your service. Continue to be a valued member of our business community. Employ hard working people & return to profit. Let's build the economy back up!