

3/26/2020 -- Governor Extends Closures from <u>Amy C. Sousa, Chief Executive</u> <u>Officer</u>

Yesterday, Governor Charlie Baker announced that all Massachusetts' public and private schools will be closed through May 4, 2020 to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This closure order will impact both The Guild School's day program as well as adult day programs across the Commonwealth.

The Guild will continue to provide both day and residential services for residential students and adult individuals throughout this period in the group homes. All Guild houses will be closed to visitors, including family members and guardians until May 4 or until otherwise authorized by state agencies. To view visitation restrictions directed by the Department of Developmental Services, please click here.

Our staff will make every effort to use electronic communication methods to keep people connected during this time. If you have difficulty accessing appropriate communication technology at home to maintain contact, please contact <u>Maureen Costello-Shea</u> directly so that we can assist you.

I know this presents increased concerns for families, individuals, and staff. Please know that we are doing everything in our power to keep individuals healthy, safe, and engaged. We are fortunate that--at this time--we have no presumptive or confirmed cases of COVID-19 within The Guild. We will continue to work with you to provide updated information and recognize the difficulty of this ever-changing environment.



We deeply appreciate your support, well wishes, and patience. As always, if you have questions, concerns, or just need to talk, Please do not hesitate to contact house managers, Guild leaders, or me directly.

Amy Sousa Chief Executive Officer