

Dear members and community,

We have learned that one of our staff received a positive test result for Covid-19. We have informed staff, while at the same time we are required to keep this staff person's name confidential. The employee last worked at the Co-op on Thursday, March 25. This staff person is currently at home with mild symptoms and in contact with the Vermont Dept. of Health (VDH). The Co-op offers generous time off for staff in this situation.

Our first step was to communicate with the Vermont Dept. of Health (VDH) as soon as we learned of the positive test. We will be following all of their instructions.

Through contact tracing, we have identified staff who were exposed, notified them and they are following quarantine protocol. We apologize if this creates less service in our store this week, and appreciate your understanding.

Our Co-op takes pride in our cleanliness and food safety standards and we are taking multiple steps to best serve you, care for our staff, and be a responsible community business:

- Staff are screened daily at the start of their shift for temperature and symptoms before working.
- Our policy is that any staff with symptoms is required to stay home and inform HR. We offer time off for staff in this situation to support employees who need to stay home.

Reminder for customers:

We all play a role in helping to keep our community safe:

- Please do not shop if you are experiencing symptoms of Covid-19 or if you have potentially been exposed to Covid-19.
- Wear a mask that covers both nose and mouth. Use our hand sanitizer stationed around the store.
- We control the number of customers allowed in the store at any one time to assist with social distancing. Shop solo if at all possible. Consider shopping during less crowded times: try to avoid the lunch rush 11 am- 1 pm

Thank you for your continued support at this time,

Glenn Lower
General Manager