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## OFO COVID-19 Plan

## **Immediate Release**

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To mitigate risks associated with the Covid-19 emergency and for the health and safety of staff and the community, Opportunities for Otsego will be closed beginning today, March 17th, as of 5:00PM with an anticipated reopening on Tuesday, April 14th. During the closing:

- Essential staff will be working remotely and can provide assistance with program-specific questions as they arise. Questions should be directed to normal program phone numbers.
- All Head Start, Universal Pre-Kindergarten, and Early Head Start services, including home based, will resume when public schools reopen.
- WIC and Weatherization participants with scheduled appointments will be contacted.
- The Violence Intervention Program staff will be providing virtual services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and violent crimes. If assistance is needed, please contact our 24-hour Crisis Hotline at 607.432.4855 to speak with an advocate.
- Persons needing emergency housing should contact the Otsego County Department of Social Services either by calling 607.547.1700 or stopping into the Meadows Office Building. During evening and weekend hours, those needing emergency housing should call 607.544.2022.

Any updates will be posted on Opportunities for Otsego Facebook page and website (www.ofoinc.org).

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