

April 2, 2020

Seniors and Participants of the 50 & Better Group,

I am sad to announce that I am temporarily laid off from my position with the City of Jackson. This change is effective April 3, 2020 at 5pm. While this is a difficult time for everyone I am hopeful that it will get better soon, and we can return to our programming better than ever.

During this time I encourage you to stay informed by checking the city website or contacting Andrew Sargeant with any pressing needs. He can be reached at 517-748-0814 or by email at [asargeant@cityofjackson.org](mailto:asargeant@cityofjackson.org). We will do our best to keep you informed. Meanwhile, please stay home as much as possible, and stay positive that better days are ahead.

I have made two at home work out videos that will be available on our group Facebook page (Jackson MI Recreation 50 & Better group), on the City Website ([www.cityofjackson.org](http://www.cityofjackson.org)), or on YouTube (search city of Jackson MI). Please use these to stay active!

Sadly, I cancelled the May 12, 2020 dinner at Gene Davis because it is unknown how long I will be off of work. If you purchased tickets for the April or May dinner you can use those tickets for our fall dinner (October 13) or if you need a refund please contact Andrew. The June Tigers game, July Putin Bay, and September Maine trip are still planned at this point. If you would like to register please mail in your forms (you can wait to pay until we know more info), or you can contact Andrew with questions. I am hoping that these trips will happen. The March Turkeyville trip will hopefully be rescheduled for another date in 2020 but if you need a refund for that trip please contact Andrew.

I am so sad to be temporarily leaving, but I believe that it can be a time of rest, quality family time, and a time to have hope for the future. I am doing my best to stay positive, and I wish that same for you. I hope to talk to you soon, and see you back at our programs. I appreciate all of you and you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Please reach out to Andrew with any questions.

Stay well

Alexa Markham