

## Donna Conkling

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**From:** Mayor  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 05, 2020 6:44 PM  
**To:** Donna Conkling; Steve Pappalardo; Trustee Veron; Trustee Ross; Trustee Arest; Trustee Crandall; Trustee Waldman; Trustee Lewis  
**Subject:** Fwd: Lawn and Garden workers

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Cynthia Roberts <cynthiavroberts@gmail.com>  
**Date:** April 5, 2020 at 1:26:04 PM EDT  
**To:** Mayor <mayor@scarsdale.com>  
**Subject: Re: Lawn and Garden workers**

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Thank you very much for your prompt response. I do not use Twitter, so rely on the Village website. It would be very helpful for all residents to see the *current* and *any updated* Village authorization and requirements for these workers on the Village website now. My neighbors have also been confused by the lack of local available information on this topic.

We appreciate all of your efforts and hope that you and your extended family are hanging in there.

Best,

Cynthia Roberts

On Apr 5, 2020, at 12:16 PM, Mayor <[mayor@scarsdale.com](mailto:mayor@scarsdale.com)> wrote:

Hi Cynthia,

I hope you and your family are and remain well.

Over the past couple of weeks, NYS has waffled on their interpretation of landscaping as an essential business. At present, a state agency issued guidance indicating that all landscaping services are essential, including both routine maintenance as well as aesthetic enhancements. However, over the past week, or so, there has been continuing discussion between Westchester County and the Governor's Office on the topic. It is possible that the guidance may change. If it does, we will provide an update through our Twitter account, @ScarsdaleGov<<https://twitter.com/ScarsdaleGov>>, as well as other communication outlets.

So, for now, landscaping is authorized and workers should maintain social distancing. The local leaf blower ban goes into effect June 1<[x-apple-data-detectors://17](#)> (and NYS has indicated that leaf blowers have not been classified as a COVID-19 risk factor).

The Village expects to continue to follow State and County guidance for landscaping.

Be well.

Best regards,

Marc

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On Apr 5, 2020, at 11:19 AM, Cynthia Roberts <[cynthiavroberts@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiavroberts@gmail.com)> wrote:

CAUTION: External sender.

Hi Mayor Samwick,

Are lawn and garden workers allowed to work in Scarsdale now? The state definition of “Essential workers” does not include them, but I have heard rumors that Scarsdale is allowing them to continue. I wasn’t able to find the information on the Scarsdale Village website.

The state information is found at the link below.

<https://esd.ny.gov/guidance-executive-order-2026>

Thank you very much.

Cynthia Roberts, resident