

## Message About the Plan to Close the Shelter at the Fairgrounds

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April 13, 2021

At today's Fair Board meeting, Director Chief Swann from Metro Nashville Fire Department discussed with the Board a plan to close the shelter at the Fairgrounds by July 1. This date is dependent on further progress on vaccination rates in Nashville and Davidson County, but we fully anticipate it to be realized. We have attached the related press release for your information.

The Fairgrounds staff is looking forward to opening up to indoor events as soon as possible. We will be working diligently to schedule warranty work that was postponed during the height of the pandemic, perform comprehensive inspection and any repairs required due to shelter operations, and schedule cleaning/sanitization of the facility. Our target date for full reopening is September 1, 2021 but will work to phase in buildings as work is completed.

In the meantime, we continue to finalize plans for an outdoor-only Flea Market in May and once we receive approval from Metro Health on our plan, we will send out a communication to vendors on process and logistics.

Thank you for your continued support!

Laura Womack  
Executive Director