

#### Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

## Minister of Social Development and Family Services



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# Sanitisation of the Offices of the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services (MSDFS) and Temporary Closure of the Accounts Division

Further to its notice published on Friday August 7<sup>th</sup> 2020 on the closure of the Ministry's Accounts Division on Monday August 10<sup>th</sup> 2020, due to adherence to protocols related to a secondary contact for the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services wishes to advise the public that the Accounts Department will now be closed to the public **until further notice**.

The Ministry regrets any inconvenience experienced at this time, particularly by landlords who are expected to receive their rental assistance payments and other individuals who have cheques to collect.

In addition, the public is notified that consequent on the receipt of information that **another member of staff is a primary contact** for the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), to facilitate the necessary sanitization protocols; the first and second floors of the ABMA building, which accommodates the Social Welfare Head Office, the Audit Division, the offices of the Geriatric Adolescent Partnership Programme (GAPP) and the Retiree Adolescent Partnership Programme (RAPP); will be **closed to the public on Monday August 10, 2020.** Normal operations of these offices are expected to resume on Tuesday August 11<sup>th</sup> 2020.

Information on the resumption of normal operations in the Accounts Department will be communicated accordingly. The public is assured that every effort will be made to have the operations of the Accounting Division resume as soon as possible. The Ministry of Social Development and Family Services thanks you for your cooperation in this regard and looks forward to continuing its service to you.

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