

# COVID-19 Economic Recovery & Accessibility

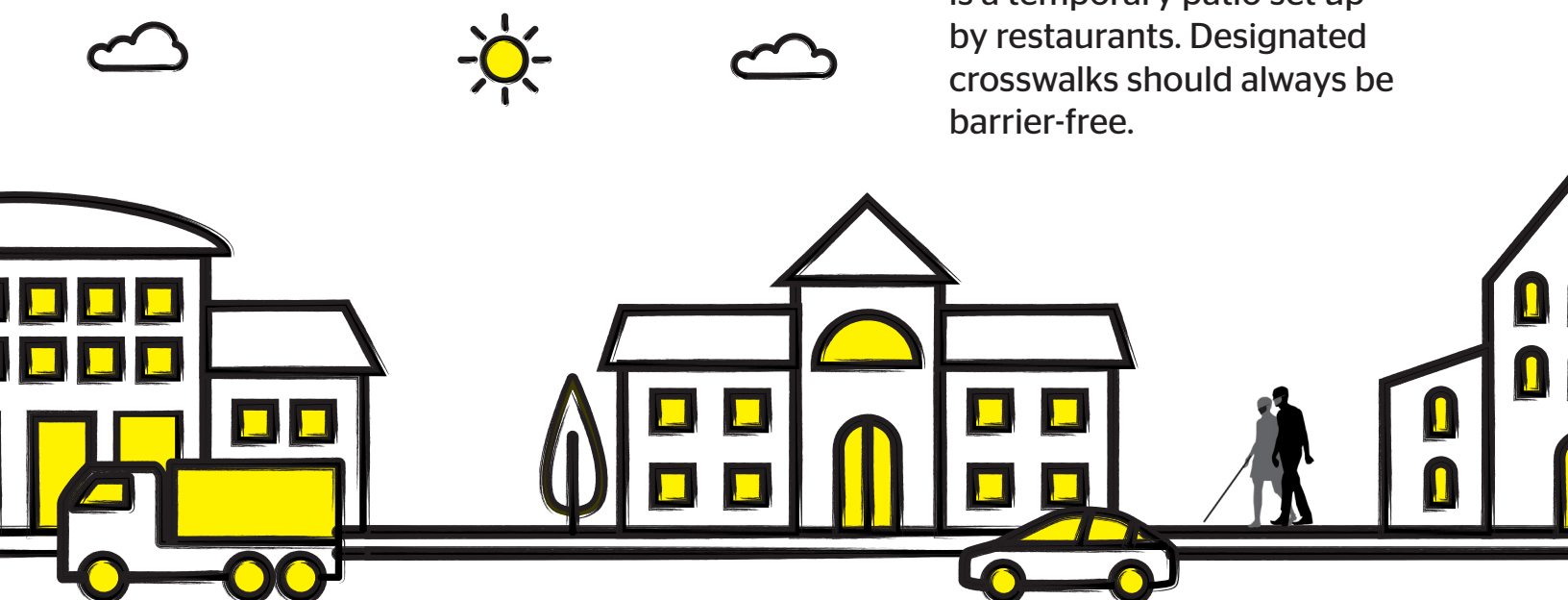
As businesses and municipalities begin to reopen and introduce new operating conditions and procedures to stop the spread of COVID-19, the CNIB Foundation has created simple guidelines to help remove barriers and ensure that indoor and outdoor spaces are accessible for everyone.

## Did you know?

Blindness is a spectrum. Not everyone with sight loss is identifiable – some people do not use a guide dog or white cane.

## Sidewalks & Crosswalks

Keep sidewalks clear and free of hazards such as A-frame signs and inflatable signage. Sidewalks should have adequate space for pedestrians to pass by one another, even if there is a temporary patio set up by restaurants. Designated crosswalks should always be barrier-free.



## Roads

- If roads are closed (fully or partially), cyclists should be required to keep the sidewalk clear for pedestrians, and municipalities should be enforcing the rules of the road.
- If road closures prevent the use of bike lanes for cyclists, the information should be shared publicly and signage should be large, with good colour contrast and easy-to-understand language.
- If roads are partially closed, there must be a discernible and tactile way to indicate when the road opens for vehicles to prevent pedestrians from wandering into traffic.

To learn how to make your space more accessible, scan the QR Code with your smartphone.

