**COVID-19 State Business Resources**

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Trends:

- Non-essential business closures that cite U.S. DHS Guidance and/or directly reference recycling.
- Check back soon: Most states have a message on their COVID-19 webpage(s) asking visitors to check back regularly for updates as they assess the impact on businesses and workers and develop assistance responses.
- Small Business Administration Disaster Loan availability: States either already have or are currently acting to request an Economic Injury Disaster Loan declaration to allow businesses to apply for loans to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills that can't be paid due to impacts of COVID-19.
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- Tax extensions and relief: Many states have already established procedures for businesses to file for tax extensions related to COVID-19, waive penalties related to unemployment claims and other issues, and seek tax relief.
- Enhanced unemployment eligibility and wait time waivers.
- Workshare and Rapid Response: States are seeking to promote the use of Workshare and Rapid Response programs for businesses facing challenges maintaining employment.
- Special relief funds: Many states are working to quantify the impact on local businesses and establish funds for low to zero interest loans. States that have already established such programs have focused on small business relief.
- Chambers of Commerce: Many state Chambers of Commerce have gathered links to relevant information and services, created toolkits for businesses, and/or hotlines or email notices for businesses seeking updates.

Federal / National
- U.S. DHS CISA: Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce
- CDC Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers
- U.S. Department of Labor: Coronavirus Resources
- U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation: Coronavirus Resource Page
- U.S. Chamber of Commerce: Coronavirus Small Business Guide
- U.S. SBA Coronavirus (COVID-19): Small Business Guidance & Loan Resources: Includes information and links to the Paycheck Protection Program, Disaster Loan assistance, debt relief, Express Bridge Loans, and guidance for businesses and employers.
- IRS: Coronavirus Tax Relief
- OSHA: COVID-19
  - Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19
- 211: COVID-19 Pandemic Services and Hotline
- NFIB: Small Business Resources in Response to Coronavirus
- Microsoft Office 365 6-month Trial License: Offered for businesses in response to the increased need for employees to work from home in response to the COVID-19.

Individual State Resources

Alabama (updated 04/27/20)
- AltogetherAlabama: Central COVID-19 Resource page. Includes help for at-risk persons and businesses, and options for individuals and businesses to provide help.
  - State & National Resources for Businesses: Information and links to federal and state assistance and state actions regarding unemployment, taxes, and other issues.
  - Local Resources for Businesses and Nonprofits: Information and links on local funds.
  - Impacted Business List: Form to register for latest business assistance program emails, help policymakers understand impacts, and be added to an impacted businesses list.
  - Reopening Alabama Responsibly: Phase 1 recommendations by the AL Small Business Commission Emergency Task Force. Includes recommendations for retail,
manufacturing, and industrial employees on PPE, signage, screening, cleaning, and social distancing. These recommendations have not yet been implemented.

- **Essential Business Access Letter Template**: Optional letter to assist essential employees.

**AL Dept of Commerce: COVID-19 Resources**: Business information clearinghouse. Information on the non-essential business closure, applying for SBA Disaster Loans and Personal Paycheck Protection Program, unemployment changes, and links to other state and federal resources.

- **AL COVID-19 Health Order April 28, 2020**: Safer at Home: April 30 at 5 PM through 5:00 PM on May 15: Removes closure requirements on all but select "higher-risk businesses"; includes health and safety guidance for individuals, employers, and retailers.
  - Encourages all individuals minimize travel outside the home, wear face coverings around people from other households, and practice hygiene and cleaning recommendations. Persons testing positive must quarantine for 14 days or as directed.
  - All employers must take reasonable steps where practicable to protect their employees by avoiding gatherings of 10 employees or more; maintaining 6 ft. distancing; regularly disinfecting; encouraging handwashing; preventing sick employees from coming into contact with others; facilitating remote work; and minimizing employee travel.
  - Retailers must limit occupancy to 50%; enforce social distancing; and take reasonable steps to comply with CDC sanitation guidelines.

- **AL COVID-19 Health Order April 3, 2020**: Stay at Home: April 4 at 5 PM through April 30 at 5 PM: Non-essential closures; superseded by April 29 Health Order.

- **AL Public Health Order Amended 03/27/20**: March 28 at 5 PM through April 17: Listed "non-essential" businesses must be closed to non-employees or not take place; list includes specified entertainment, athletic, close contact service, and retail businesses.

**Rapid Response Assistance**: PDF with information on assistance programs and resources for workers.

- **AL Dept. of Revenue: COVID-19 Updates**: Information on tax relief and extensions.

- **AL Dept. of Labor: COVID-19**: News, information on unemployment benefits and waiver of employer charges for COVID-19 related claims, FAQs, and contacts for veteran services.

- **AL Dept. Economic and Community Affairs**: COVID-19: Currently no relief programs administered directly through ADECA; will be updated if changes. Gives links to other state resources related to businesses.

- **AL SBDC Network**: Information and webinars on applying for federal aid, information on SBDC business advisor services.

- **AL Public Health: Coronavirus**: Status updates, webinars, information on testing and public health orders, preparedness guides.
  - **COVID-19 Related Emergency Actions of State Agencies**

- **AL Governor's Office: COVID-19 Newsroom**: Links to other state resources and information and links to latest executive branch actions.

- **AL Chamber: Business Resources for Coronavirus Response**: Information from U.S. Chamber and U.S. SBA.
Alaska (updated 04/23/20)

  - **AK COVID-19 Health Mandate 016**: Phase 1-A of Reopen Alaska Responsibly Plan. Issued April 22, Effective April 24. Maintains prior Health Mandates unless explicitly modified and preempts local mandates; allows conditional reopening of non-essential businesses, retail businesses, restaurant dine-in services, and personal care services that follow listed health and safety requirements.
    - **Essential Businesses**: Order cites Attachment A for essential businesses, referencing the AK Essential Services and Critical Workforce Infrastructure Order (formerly Attachment A) that clarified the essential business exemptions from the Stay at Home Order in Mandate 011. Mandate 011 and Attachment A both cite U.S. DHS Guidance and require essential business, to the extent reasonably feasible, take reasonable precautions to ensure the health of their service sector and employees, enable work from home, and comply with social distancing requirements on 6 ft. distancing, hygiene, and cleaning high-touch surfaces, and for businesses with workers who travel from out of state or between communities to submit protocols for avoiding the spread of COVID-19 pursuant to Mandates 010 and 012.
    - **016 Attachment D**: Non-retail non-essential public facing businesses: Allows to resume operations if they follow listed requirements for social distancing, including lesser of 20 customers or 20% max capacity, fabric face coverings to be worn by all employees and patrons, establishing a COVID-19 Mitigation plan, signage; hygiene protocol; staffing training and screening; and cleaning and disinfecting. Provides other requirements for businesses with in-home services.
    - **016 Attachment E**: Retail Businesses interacting with the public: Allows to resume operations if they follow listed requirements for social distancing, including lesser of 20 customers or 20% max capacity, fabric face coverings to be worn by all employees and patrons, establishing a COVID-19 Mitigation plan, signage; hygiene; staff training and screening; and cleaning and disinfecting. Also encourages retailers to follow best practices regarding delivery, remote orders, and cashless and receiptless transactions.
    - **016 Attachment F**: Requirements for restaurants (not bars) resuming table service.
    - **016 Attachment G**: Requirements for personal care services.
    - **016 Attachment H**: Non-essential non-public facing businesses: Allows to resume operations if they follow listed requirements for social distancing, including fabric face coverings to be work by all employees, alternative workspace and accommodations for high-risk employees, and COVID-19 Mitigation Plans; hygiene protocols; staff training and screening, and cleaning and disinfecting.
  - **04/21: Gov Unveils Path to Reopening**: Press release stating that closed businesses will be allowed to reopen with limitations beginning April 24; also extends Health Mandate 10 until May 19, and Mandates 11 (closure) and 12 until rescinded.
  - **AK COVID-19 Health Mandate 011**: March 28 at 5 PM until rescinded (extended): Non-essential businesses are required to cease all activities at facilities within AK except

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Minimum Basic Operations or working from home. Essential Businesses must take reasonable precautions to ensure the health of their service sector and employees, to the extent reasonably feasible, and public-facing essential businesses will proactively promote social distancing between employees and others. Employers must take reasonable steps to enable work from home.

- **AK Essential Services and Critical Workforce Infrastructure Order (formerly Attachment A)** does not specifically reference recycling, but does include U.S. DHS Guidance as well as all businesses "that can maintain Social Distancing Requirements and prohibit congregations of no more than 10 people in the business at a time (including employees)" and "Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate".

  - **AK COVID-19 Health Mandate 012**: Requires Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure take reasonable care to protect their staff and operations, and to submit a travel plan or protocol for maintaining critical infrastructure to akcovidplans@akprepared.com, outlining how they will avoid the spread of COVID-19 and not endanger the lives of their communities or the ability of that critical infrastructure to function. Businesses that already submitted a plan pursuant to Health Mandate 10.1 related to interstate travel do not need to submit another plan. Also prohibits in-state travel within communities unless to support critical infrastructure or for critical personal needs. Those traveling for critical reasons or critical personal travel will not be subject to automatic quarantine except as allowed under AK Statutes or Health Mandates; preempts local and tribal requirements restricting intrastate travel.

  - **AK Health Mandate 010**: International and Interstate Travel: March 25 through May 19 (extended from April 21): All people arriving in AK must self-quarantine for 14 days. Critical Infrastructure Businesses with workers who must travel to AK must submit a plan to the AK DCCED on how will avoid spread of COVID-19.

  - **COVID-19 Economic Stabilization**: Announces the Alaska Economic Stabilization Team, provides Governor's 6 Point Economic Plan, lists and links to banks small businesses can apply to for the Paycheck Protection Program, and links to unemployment information, small business assistance, home owner information, and federal assistance. Also includes a contact form for the Economic Stabilization team.

    - **6 Point Plan**: includes relief funds for individuals, businesses, healthcare, municipalities, school districts, and state workforces.
      - Alaska COVID-19 Emergency Business Loan Program: to be administered by local banks, 100% state-guaranteed.
      - $2 million State Training Employment Program

    - **AK Dept Commerce: COVID-19 Resource Portal for Businesses**: Information on business closures and submitting plans for critical infrastructure protection, including a sample COVID-19 Pandemic Action Plan Template, sample travel protocol templates, SBA Disaster Loans and Express Bridge Loans, investment loan funds, small business development centers, veterans business outreach centers, and links to other state resources.

      - **Investments**: Information on revolving loan funds.

    - **AK Dept Labor: COVID-19**: Information on scenarios and benefits available for claimants filing with Alaska, including CARES Act FAQs, unemployment, and workers compensation.
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- **AK Dept Revenue: Tax Division**: homepage includes news updates and information on tax deadline extensions.
- **AK Dept Health: COVID-19**: Situation overview, information on health mandates and alerts, news and press releases.
- **AK Chamber: Business Resources for COVID-19**: COVID-19 Alaska Economic Impact Survey results, list of SBA Participating Lenders in AK, information on applying for SBA Disaster Loans and PPP, COVID-19 toolkit, and links to state and federal resources.

### Arizona (updated 05/01/20)

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Arizona has issued a limited reopening through May 15 with a staged reopening for non-essential retailers. Essential Businesses must follow social distancing; the state has also issued guidance on screening, face coverings, hygiene and cleaning, and signage. Retail must also follow additional requirements and guidance in the order and on AZ Dept of Health and Safety pages.
- **AZTogether**: Copious information on resources for individuals, as well as links for businesses to the Economic Development pages, volunteer information, donations, and other state resources.
- **AZ Governor Newsroom**: Updates on executive actions and links to executive orders.
- **AZ Commerce Authority - COVID-19 Business Resources**: includes an email update sign up, and information on workforce FAQs, business financial support, community support, essential infrastructure designations, supply chain & logistics, housing, and other issues.
  - **Workforce**: Information for employees and employers.
  - **Business Financial Support**: Information and guidance on CARES Act, SBA Disaster Loans and PPP, other local, state, and federal loans and grants, actions by banks, preparedness checklists, tax relief, and other resources.
  - **Essential Infrastructure**: Actions by banks and utilities to provide support regarding payments, fees, and other issues.
  - **Webinars**: Registration for current webinars and links to past recordings.
- **AZ Dept Economic Security: COVID-19**: Information on unemployment insurance, wage and hour questions, shared work, short-term crisis services for families, mortgage assistance, and family financial, nutritional, and child care assistance.
  - **Individual Unemployment Insurance Benefits**
  - **Employer Unemployment Resources**
    - **Arizona Shared Work Program**
  - **Community Resources**: Various resources for individuals experiencing layoffs.
- **AZ Dept of Revenue: Newsroom**: currently no stand-alone page.
  - **ADOR Extends Income Tax Deadline to July 15, 2020**
- **AZ Dept Health Services: COVID-19**: Hotline, testing information, status updates, FAQs, and other health related resources.
  - **Workplace & Community Location Recommendations**: includes recommendations, fact sheets, and a recording of a business preparedness webinar.

### Arkansas (updated 05/04/20)

- **Arkansas** has begun a limited reopening of restaurants and other recreational or close-contact services ordered closed, but has not lifted requirements for all businesses to follow orders on
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Social Distancing, hygiene and sanitation, and signs at facility entrances. See ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates for more information.

- **AR COVID-19 Information page**: Includes press releases and Executive orders from Governor Hutchinson, and links to state resources for individuals, workers, and businesses.
- **AR Economic Development Commission: COVID-19 Resources for Businesses and Employers**: Business information clearinghouse, with info on SBA loans and other sources of finance, links to state resources on unemployment and workforce centers, and updates from the Governor's Office.
  - **Ready for Business Grant Program**: Designed to provide grants up to $100,000, depending on the number of employees, to assist with COVID-19-related expenses, such as personal protective equipment (PPE), deep cleaning, signage, hand sanitizer dispensers, marketing and more. Asks to watch page for updates on availability.
  - **Quick Action Loan Program**: Eligible companies may apply for a loan or loan guaranty of up to $250,000; with priority to small to medium-sized companies that are in the supply chain of essential goods and services.
  - **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**: Up to $12 million in CDBG assistance will be made available for COVID-19 relief and recovery.
- **AR Dept Finance & Administration: COVID-19 FAQs**: Office status and information on individual income tax extension to July 15; as of April 2, other taxes are still being administered according to AR law.
- **AR Dept. of Health: COVID-19**: Status updates, testing and lab information, FAQs, and guidance documents.
  - **Face Coverings in Public**: Suggests everyone wear face coverings in public.
  - **Guidance for Business and Industry Facilities**: Information on employee testing, guidance on procedures to reduce risk, including screening, sanitation, and social distancing.
  - **Guidance for Hand Hygiene and Disinfectants**: For home and workplace.
  - **Guidance for Retail Stores**: Targeted guidance for retail store health and safety
  - **COVID-19 Guidance for Employers**: Information page with links to CDC guidance.
- **AR Division of Emergency Management: COVID-19 Information**
- **Arkansas Chamber: COVID-19**: Information survey, links to state news on COVID-19, SBA loan information, unemployment resources, etc.

**California (updated 04/27/20)**
- **CA COVID-19 Response page**: Information on stay home requirements, links to state resources, and news on latest state actions.
  - **Stay Home Order Information**: FAQs for CA Executive Order N-33-20: Stay home except designated critical sectors, Mach 19 until further notice. CA Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers: As of 03/22/20, does not specifically reference recycling. References removal, storage, and disposal of residential and commercial waste and truck drivers who haul such, primary metals manufacturing, and workers who support the production of single use plastics and packaging, including glass container manufacturing.
  - **CA Executive Order N-54-20**: Updates to numerous requirements related to COVID-19. Temporarily allows retailers to provide bags to consumers without charge. Pauses redemption of beverage containers in-store. Temporarily suspends the requirement for
recycling centers to hold a minimum number of hours of operation and directs CalRecycle to develop and issue operating guidelines.

• **CA Gov Office of Business and Economic Development: Coronavirus Business Information:** Information on Stay Home order, new and existing federal and state government aid and assistance programs for businesses related to COVID-19 outbreak, local resource centers, CA IBANK actions, unemployment and business tax information, and links to other state actions.
  o CA Infrastructure & Economic Development Bank programs
    ▪ Disaster Relief Loan Guarantee Program: loan guarantees of up to $1 million for small business borrowers in declared disaster areas.
    ▪ Jump Start Loan Program: loans from $500 to $10,000 to low-wealth entrepreneurs in the declared disaster and emergency areas.
  o **California Capital Access Program:** 1 to 500 employees, encourages banks and other financial institutions to make loans to small businesses that have difficulty obtaining financing.

• **CA Labor & Workforce: COVID-19 Resources for Employers and Workers**

• **CA Employment Development Dept: COVID-19**
  o **Employer Resources:** information on workplace health and safety, work sharing program, unemployment benefits, Rapid Response Program, taxes, and worker protection.

• **CA Labor Commissioner: COVID-19 FAQ on laws:** information on sick leave & compensation.
  o **Cal/OSHA Guidance on Requirements to Protect Workers:** information for general industry and specific business groups.
    ▪ **Guidelines for General Industry on COVID-19:** Recommends following CDC guidance on sending symptomatic employees home, providing information and training on hygiene and cleaning, providing routine environmental training, and social distancing. Also reviews how state requirements for employers to develop an Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP - title 8 section 3203) and conduct hazard assessments to protect employees if employers have determined COVID-19 infection is a hazard in their workplace, including PPE requirements.

• **CA Franchise Tax Board: COVID-19:** FAQs and tax relief news
  o **COVID-19 FAQs on tax extensions**
  o **COVID-19 Extensions to file and pay**

• **CA Tax and Fee Administration: COVID-19:** Assistance including tax relief, extensions, relief from interest and penalties, Small Business Relief Payment Plans, and filing for refund

• **CA Governor's Office: Press Releases and Executive Orders.**

• **Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp - COVID-19 Resources:** Includes loan assistance, resilience toolkit, assistance for workers, tax extensions, etc.
  o **City of LA Micro-Loan Program:** New Small Business Emergency Microloan Program for businesses with 100 or fewer employees, with loan amounts from $5,000 to $20,000.

• **CA Chamber: COVID-19:** Information on state and federal resources and financial assistance, as well as a page of links to Local Health and Stay-at-Home Order Pages.

**Colorado (updated 05/04/20)**

• **CO Safer at Home:** Extensive health and safety requirements for all businesses through May 26; see ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates for more information.
CO Governor's Office: Press Releases and Executive Orders.

CO: COVID-19 Outbreak Information: Status updates, guidance on executive orders, closures and cancellations, information on testing, news, and links to other state resources.
  - COVID-19 Public Health Orders and Executive Orders: Up to date PHO requirements.
  - State recovery and assistance: Links to Business Resource Center; information for other groups, information on executive orders and public health orders.
    - Schools, Workplaces, and Communities: Workplace section includes information on closures and guidance for businesses.

Colorado COVID-19 Business Resource Center: Contact hotline and email updates sign up, information on state announcements and emergency rules, SBA PPP, Disaster Loans and CARES Act, closures, license extensions, unemployment insurance, emergency paid sick leave rules, special enrollment for uninsured to get health insurance, as well as links to resources for businesses and employees impacted by COVID-19

CDLE: Information and Resources on Coronavirus: Information for workers and employers
  - Division of Unemployment Insurance Work-Share Program
  - Rapid Response
  - Unemployment Insurance FAQs

CO SBDC: COVID-19 Small Business Response Resources: Links and information on various resources, including federal assistance programs and other loans and grants, employment, manufacturing, and regional resources, as well as regular disaster response webinars.

CO Dept Revenue: COVID-19 Updates: Information on income tax deadline extension and operations modifications.

CO Manufacturer's Edge: COVID-19 Updates and Resources for Manufacturers: Clarification on state and local COVID-19 public health and safety orders, information for manufacturers that can produce critical needs, and links to other resources including a message board with information on manufacturers' capability, needs, and contact info.

Help Colorado Now: Volunteer response and donations page.

Connecticut (updated 04/28/20)

CT.gov Coronavirus page: State clearinghouse for information on COVID-19.
    - CT Recovery Bridge Loan Program: Businesses with no more than 100 employees, loan of up to lesser of $75,000 or 3 months of operating costs. As of March 27, DECD is not accepting applications at this time.
  - FAQs on CT Actions Related to COVID-19: regularly updated with all CT responses.
  - Emergency Orders by Governor & State Agencies:
    - CT Executive Order 7H: "Stay home, stay safe": March 23 through May 20 (extended from April 22 by CT E.O. 7X): Nonessential businesses reduce in-
person workforces by 100%. Trash and recycling collection, hauling, and processing considered essential.

- **CT Executive Order 7S**: Requires safe stores rules by CDECD for retailers.
- **CT Executive Order 7V**: Requires safe workplace rules by CDECD for all essential businesses.
- **04/19: NE Multi-State Regional Council**: CT, NY, MA, RI, NJ, PA, DE
- **04/13: Reopen CT Advisory Group**

**CT Dept. Economic and Community Development: COVID-19 Recovery**: Gives links to the Coronavirus Business Resources page, business exemptions for the Stay Home order, and information on the CARES Act and other federal and state assistance.

- Business Exemptions for Coronavirus - Executive Order 7H: List of essential businesses exempt from "Stay Safe, Stay Home" order: includes trash and recycling collection, hauling, and processing (Section 7: Services).
- Safe Workplace Rules for Essential Employees: Implementing CT E.O. 7V requirements for all essential employees. Includes requirement that all employees wear a facemask at all times. Employers shall issue masks or cloth face coverings to their employees; if they are unable to do so, employees must either provide materials and CDC tutorial on how to create a cloth face covering, or compensate employees for reasonable and necessary costs to make their own. Companies must implement social distancing practices, spread out shifts where possible and stagger breaks to minimize congregations, close or regularly clean break or lunch rooms, place posters that encourage hygiene, screen visitors, and follow other listed sanitation, prevention, and mitigation requirements.
- Safe Store Rules: Implementing CT E.O. 7S for retailers. Includes occupancy cap at 50% capacity, as well as requirements for signage, customer flow, safety, and sanitation.

- **CT DOL Unemployment Insurance FAQs on COVID-19**
- **CT Insurance Dept: Coronavirus and Business Interruption Insurance FAQs**
- **CT Dept Revenue Services - COVID-19 Response FAQs**: contact information, FAQs, and extension / relief updates.
- **CT Business and Industry Association: Coronavirus Information**
  - State & Federal Updates on Connecticut Response

**Delaware (updated 04/28/20)**

- **Delaware.gov: Coronavirus**: hotline, sign up for email updates, information on gatherings and social distancing, status update, information on prevention and testing and links to resources.
  - Governor Stay at Home Order: DE 5th Modification to State of Emergency: March 24 until terminated: Stay home except Essential Activities; all must follow Social Distancing Requirements. Essential Business List gives NAIC Codes; may follow least restrictive code your business is classified under. 4239 is coded as non-essential, but 5629 (remediation and waste management services - MRF classification) and many commodity manufacturing codes considered essential.
    - **DE 7th Modification to State of Emergency**: Quarantine requirements for out of state travelers; exempts essential workers, but encourages work from home.
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- **DE 8th Modification to State of Emergency**: Requires screening by businesses designated as high risk, requires all essential businesses display signage cautioning individuals experiencing symptoms not enter.
- **DE 9th Modification to State of Emergency**: Requires businesses that permit customers onto premises comply with occupancy restrictions (20% of capacity, or 10% during exclusive hours for high-risk populations), spacing markings and signage or ropes, designated staff to count customers entering and exiting and monitor social distancing and cleaning, and other requirements.
- **DE 10th Modification to State of Emergency**: Effective April 7: Allows the DE Division of Small Business to designate essential businesses and lists additional non-essential businesses.
- **Extension of State of Emergency**: State of emergency extended until terminated.
- **DE COVID-19: Guidance for Face Coverings**: Provides clarifications for **DE 13th Modification to State of Emergency**: Issued April 25, Effective April 28: Requires all individuals wear a face covering while in listed public places, except when doing so would inhibit their health or where they are under 2 yrs. old. **By May 1, all businesses must provide employees with a face covering** to wear while working in areas open to the general public and areas where coming within 6 ft. of other staff are likely. Businesses must provide face coverings as well as hand sanitizer to employees at the businesses' expense. Employees are strongly encouraged to fashion personal face coverings per CDC guidelines until their employer provides a face covering. Customers who refuse to wear face coverings must be refused entry except under listed circumstances. Businesses must post signage at entrance and within stores reminding customers to wear face coverings.
  - **Resources for Businesses**: Includes updates on closures and information on identifying your NAICS code, guidance on health and safety, information on financial assistance, and updates on unemployment insurance and other state actions.
    - FAQs state that failure to follow [CDC guidelines](https://www.cdc.gov/) will result in closure on an individual firm basis until the State of Emergency is lifted.
    - Guidance (required by Stay at Home Order) on social distancing, screening, hygiene, cleaning, and provides flyers to post at entrances. Requires abiding by CDC guidance on social distancing and environmental cleaning as well.
      - [DE DPH Essential Services Screening Recommendations](https://www.de.gov/): Step by step minimum screening questions that can be made more comprehensive.
      - [DE DPH Guidance for Management of Suspected COVID-19 Exposure](https://www.de.gov/): Information for various sectors on workers returning to work.
    - [DE Division of Small Business - COVID-19](https://www.de.gov/): Includes a mailing list and latest information on state actions impacting businesses, as well as email contact lines for essential vs. nonessential questions and connecting with assistance.
    - [DE Department of Labor](https://www.de.gov/): News updates and information on unemployment insurance.
      - [Unemployment Insurance COVID-19 FAQs](https://www.unemployment.de.gov/): No waiting week, quarantine and family care eligible, information for employers on layoffs of 25 or more.
      - [Unemployment filing](https://www.unemployment.de.gov/)
    - [DE Dept. of Revenue: Tax Season & COVID-19](https://www.de.gov/): Information extensions and services.
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- **DE Governor: Newsroom**: Information on amendments to state of emergency.
- **DE Chamber: COVID-19 Resources**: Includes a survey of impacted businesses, fact sheets, and information on financial relief and unemployment benefits.

District of Columbia (updated 04/23/20)
- **DC Mayor: Coronavirus**: Status updates, prevention measures, FAQs, and information on unemployment benefits.
  - **DC Mayor's Order 2020-054**: Stay at Home: April 1 through May 15 (extended from April 24 by **DC M.O. 2020-063**): Individuals to stay at their place of residence except for Essential Activities or engaging in Essential Business Activities or Minimum Basic Operations of business as defined in DC Mayor's Order 2020-053. Additionally, at any time, the **DCRA** may request and an Essential Business must provide, its plans for complying with the requirement to minimize person-to-person contact and achieve to the greatest extent feasible, Social Distancing. Non-Essential Businesses conducting Minimum Business Operations pursuant to Mayor’s Order 2020-053 or fuller operations under a **Waiver granted by HSEMA** may be asked to show their operational plan and why the activities they are conducting, and how they are conducting them, fit within allowable limits. Any Essential Business or Government Building or Facility that remains open to the public with an expected occupancy or attendance of more than ten (10) people shall promptly and conspicuously post in the building or facility a copy of the requirements for social distancing found on [coronavirus.dc.gov](http://coronavirus.dc.gov).
  - **DC Mayor's Order 2020-053**: March 25 at 10 PM through May 15 (extended from April 24 by **DC M.O. 2020-063**): Non-essential businesses with facilities in D.C. must cease all activities at those facilities except Minimum Basic Operations. Essential Businesses shall comply with Social Distancing Requirements to the greatest extent possible. Essential Business list does not directly reference recycling; references solid waste collection and removal by private and public entities.
  - **D.C.**: currently only requires face masks for hotels, taxis, food sellers, and public transit, but requires that businesses procure the masks for their employees and independent contractors.
- **Recovery Resources for Businesses**: Information on applying for SBA financial assistance programs, CARES Act, Small Business Recovery Microgrants, information on utility disconnections and late fees, tax filing extensions, and business permitting.
  - **Small Business Recovery Microgrants**: For DC businesses with at least 25% revenue loss due to COVID-19. **Current application period closed.**
- **Recovery Resources for Individuals**: information on filing for unemployment and family medical leave, as well as tax filing extensions.
- **DC Guidance for Businesses**: Includes information on mortgage and rent savings, unemployment benefits, closure order, utility services, health and business interruption insurance, registration and permitting, and health and safety guidance.
  - **Guidance for Essential Non-Healthcare Workers on Staying Safe in the Workplace**: Requires employers provide hand sanitizer, encourages (but does not require) workers wear non-medical masks. Outlines steps essential personnel can take to keep themselves and others safe.
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- **DC Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency: Waiver for Exemption to Business Closure**: Any business that does not fall within a category listed as Essential Businesses in the Mayor’s Order, but which provides goods or services necessary to maintain operations at an Essential Business should apply for a waiver.

- **DC Office of Tax and Revenue: COVID-19**: Information on scams involving federal payments, filing extensions, emergency sales and use tax relief, and OTR operations.

**Florida (updated 05/01/20)**

- **FL Gov: COVID-19 Resources**: Information on Re-Open Florida Task Force meetings and links to Executive Orders, Emergency Management Orders, and other executive agency information.
  - [Task Force to Re-Open Florida Public Comment Submission](#): Online form for public comments.
  - [Task Force Plan for Florida’s Recovery](#): Includes benchmarks for reopening, mitigation guidelines for individuals and employers, and 3 phase reopening recommendations.
  - [FL Governor's Office](#): Press releases and [Executive Orders](#), as well as information on Re-Open Florida Task Force meetings.
  - [FL Executive Order 20-112](#): Recovery Phase 1: Effective May 4: Requires individuals continue to limit personal interactions outside of home. Allows all services and activities allowed by [FL E.O. 20-91](#) and [FL E.O. 20-89](#), as well as other services and activities approved by the State Coordinating Officer. Services should follow safety guidelines established by the CDC and OSHA. If necessary, employee screening or use of PPE should continue. In Store Retail Sales may open storefronts if they operate at no more than 25% occupancy and abide by CDC and OSHA guidelines.
  - [FL Executive Order 20-91](#): Safer at Home. Issued April 1, Effective April 3 through May 3 (extended from April 30 by [FL E.O. 20-111](#)). Persons must limit their movements and personal interactions outside of their home to only those necessary to obtain or provide essential services or conduct essential activities. Essential Services includes the U.S. DHS Guidance, businesses and activities designated by [FL E.O. 20-89](#), and essential services added by the State Coordinating Officer and listed at [www.floridadisaster.org](http://www.floridadisaster.org) and [www.floridahealth.gov](http://www.floridahealth.gov). Order also encourages work from home. Preempts local orders regarding essential services or activities prohibited by the Order.
  - [FL E.O. 20-89](#) (county restrictions): Includes a list of essential businesses designated by Miami-Dade in multiple orders. List includes "businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate, and which do not interact with the general public"; and "businesses providing services to any local, state, or Federal government, including municipalities, pursuant to a contract with such government".

- **FL Dept. of Economic Opportunity**: Homepage includes information on reemployment assistance and disaster relief resources, including the Small Business Emergency Bridge Loan.
  - [FL DEO: COVID-19](#): Assistance for individuals with information on reemployment assistance and job postings; assistance for employers with information on SBA assistance programs and applications as well as several new and existing state assistance programs.
  - [FL DEO Business Damage Assessment Survey](#): for government to assess impact of COVID-19 on business operations to determine appropriate relief actions.
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- **FL Dept Business & Professional Regulation**: Information and guidance on Executive Orders impacting businesses, suspension of license renewal deadlines for 30 days, licensing exams and testing updates and schedule changes, and links to other business resources.
- **FL SBDC: COVID-19 Disaster Recovery**: Information on SBA assistance programs and how to apply, as well as links to local SBDC office contact information for individual assistance.
- **FL Division of Corporations**: Homepage notes office closure and provides notice on annual report filing deadline extension.
- **FL Dept. of Revenue: Taxpayer Info re COVID-19**: FAQs and contact information, and information on extensions for various taxes and fees.
- **FL Health: 2019 COVID-19 Response**: Status updates, testing information, and guidelines.
  - **Guidance for Businesses and Employers**: Information on closure order, essential business designations, preparation and prevention in the workplace, and FAQs.
- **FL Chamber: COVID-19 Resource Center**: Information on state and federal actions and financial assistance; includes an option to sign up for updates.

**Georgia (updated 04/29/20)**

- **GA Dept. Economic Development: COVID-19 Updates**: Information on services, division activities to support businesses, and federal relief, including SBA programs and CARES Act; impact on specific business sectors, and links to other state department resources.
  - **COVID-19 Resources for Small Businesses**: Information on federal and state financial resources, webinars, and tips for retailers and consumers.
- **GA: COVID-19 Order Guidelines for Businesses**: Information on closure and reopening requirements. Includes list of 17 measures that Critical Infrastructure are strongly suggested to implement, as well as listed requirements for businesses maintaining minimum basic operations and industry specific guidelines.
  - **Critical Infrastructure Guidance**: 17 points that critical infrastructure businesses are strongly suggested to implement: include screening, cleaning, social distancing, and signage.
  - Non-Critical Infrastructure not required to close: 21 point requirements.
  - **GA Executive Order 04.23.20**: Reviving a Healthy Georgia: Effective May 1 through May 13. Requires all citizens practice social distancing and refrain from gatherings of over 10 people, and encourages wearing face coverings; requires sheltering in place for higher risk individuals. Sets requirements for different business sectors to reopen or remain open. Defines Critical Infrastructure according to U.S. DHS Guidance; such businesses that remain open shall implement measures to mitigate COVID-19, which may include those from a 17 point list provided. Non-critical businesses that continue in-person operations must implement a 21 point list of requirements. All businesses should, if practicable, provide PPE as available and appropriate to workers; provide disinfectant and sanitation products; and increase space between worksites to at least 6 ft.
  - **GA Executive Order 04.20.20.01**: Reopens certain non-essential businesses for Minimum Basic Operations on April 24; all businesses maintaining minimum basic operations shall implement listed measures to mitigate exposure and spread of COVID-19. Expands minimum basic operations to include remaining open to the public subject to restrictions. Also requires non-critical infrastructure businesses to abide by 10 person limit on
gatherings. Expands critical infrastructure list to include U.S. DHS Guidance v 3.0; operation of critical infrastructure shall not be impeded by county, municipal, or local ordinance. Critical Infrastructure businesses must still abide by measures listed in GA E.O. 04.02.20.01.

- GA Executive Order 04.02.20.01: Shelter in Place: April 3 at 6 PM through April 30 (extended): Non-critical businesses may not allow more than 10 people in a single location if they must be within 6 feet of another person, may only engage in Minimum Basic Operations, and must implement listed measures to mitigate the exposure and spread of COVID-19. Critical Infrastructure includes U.S. DHS Guidance and those suppliers which provide essential goods and services to the critical infrastructure workforce. Critical Infrastructure that continues in-person operation must implement listed measures which mitigate the exposure and spread of COVID-19. The GA Dept of Economic Development may issue written guidance regarding Critical Infrastructure status. Executive Order 04.08.20.02 extended from April 13 to April 30.

- GA Dept. of Labor: Homepage gives links to alerts on new changes.
  - COVID-19 Unemployment Information: Information for filing for unemployment, updates on federal assistance, new multi-claims uploads by spreadsheet and single claims entries, mandatory filing by employers for partial claims, and reemployment services.

- GA Dept. of Revenue: COVID-19 Tax Relief: Information and FAQs on income tax filing and payment deadline extension and other actions.

- Office of Insurance: Includes news updates on COVID-19 actions regarding health insurance.


- GA Governor's Office: press releases and Executive Orders.


- GA Chamber: Coronavirus Resource Center: Information on state and federal actions as well as actions by the Chamber.

**Hawaii (updated 05/06/20)**

- ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates: Stay at Home Order with non-essential business closures through May 31; limited reopening of specified businesses on May 7 including retail and repair. H&S requirements for essential businesses and additional requirements and guidance for reopening businesses.

- Hawaii Economic & Community Navigator: Information on 3-Phase recovery plan and state resources; includes a form to sign up for email updates.
  - Recovery Navigator for Businesses: Information on financial assistance, tax relief, employee assistance, utilities, insurance, and other resources.

- HI Dept. of Health: COVID-19: status updates, guidance on prevention and for groups.
  - Guidance for Employers: Information on emergency proclamations and guidance on cross-training staff, separating sick and symptomatic employees, sanitation, and CDC Guidance.

- HI Dept of Business, Economic Development & Tourism: COVID-19 & Hawaii's Economy: Dashboard with economic data on passenger counts, initial unemployment claims, monthly economic indicators, and current economic conditions.
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- **Invest Hawaii - SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program**: Information on applying for SBA loans.
- **Business Development and Support mailing list**
- **HI Senator Schatz: Federal Aid Supporting Small Business**: Information and links to various federal aid programs supporting small businesses.
- **HI Dept of Labor: COVID-19 Workplace Updates**: links to federal and state resources, FAQs on unemployment insurance for workers, including Families First and CARES Acts.
  - **Classifying Worker Exposure to COVID-19**
  - **RUDDER**: program to facilitate efficient labor exchange between sectors hit by COVID-19 and employers hiring employees; provides up to $100,000 of relief to registered and compliant businesses for new employees hired after March 1, 2020.
- **HI Dept of Taxation: COVID-19**: Information on income tax extensions and other taxes.
- **HI Dept. of Transportation: COVID-19**: Information on airports and harbor status, travel restrictions, advisories and updates, and links to other state and federal resources.
- **HI Governor: COVID-19**: Information on news conferences and news releases.
- **HI Chamber: COVID-19**: Questions form, FAQs, information on federal aid and financial resources, updates from the business community, and webinars on response.
  - **Business Community Updates**
- **Bank of Hawaii: COVID-19**: Information on services and financial assistance, included CARES Act and SBA Disaster Loans and PPP.
- **Hawaii Electric: COVID-19 Updates**: Suspended disconnections for non-payment for at least 30 days, until April 17, and may extend that period; customers having trouble paying are asked to call about payment options and schedules.

Idaho (updated 05/01/20)

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Information on reopening stages, executive orders, and health and safety requirements for businesses.
- **ID Rebounds**: Reopening information page
  - **Stages of Reopening**: information and phased protocols for reopening
  - **Cash Grants for Small Businesses**: Information on up to $10,000 grants targeted to those small businesses that did not receive the Paycheck Protection Program or received less than $10,000 through the program. Applications are anticipated to open on May 11, 2020. Applicants will need to create a Taxpayer Access Point account.
  - **Resources for Businesses**: Links to other state and federal resources.
- **ID Official Resources for COVID-19**: status updates, FAQs, and Governor's updates.
- **ID Commerce: COVID-19**: Information on Stay Home Order, applying for SBA assistance programs and CARES Act Relief Resources, sourcing requests for critical supplies, telecommunications assistance, Family First Act, and links to other state and local resources.
- **ID Dept of Labor: COVID-19**: Information on unemployment insurance and federal actions.
  - **Employers FAQs about Unemployment Insurance and COVID-19**: information on filing, impact on unemployment taxes, disaster unemployment assistance, and payment of accrued vacation/PTO.
- **ID SBDC: Covid-19 Resources**: Information on advisor services, link to survey of impacted small businesses, information on SBA loans and other state and federal resources.

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- **ID State Tax Commission: COVID-19 FAQs**: Information on extensions and other tax relief.
- **ID Governor**: [Press Releases](#) and [Executive Orders](#).
- **Buy Idaho: How to Directly Support Local Businesses During COVID-19**: Information submitted by local businesses on resources and services available.
- **SW ID Manufacturer's Alliance - COVID-19**: Information on the Stay at Home order, including an Authorization to Travel template and a crowd sourcing list for critical supplies.

**Illinois (updated 05/01/20)**

- **IL DCEO: COVID-19 Information for Small Businesses**: Links and information on Stay at Home order; local, state, and federal loans and financial assistance; and links to other state information.
  - **Small Business COVID-19 Relief Program**: partner with approved financial institutions to provide loans to small businesses impacted by COVID-19.
  - **COVID-19 Related Financial Assistance**: state and local assistance.
    - **Small Business Emergency Fund**: up to $50,000 low-interest loans for businesses located outside of Chicago with fewer than 50 workers and less than $3 million in revenue in 2019.
    - **Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program**: Grants up to $25,000 for businesses that employ 50 people or less.
  - **Stay at Home Order & Essential Business Guidance**: Checklist and flowchart for essential businesses, including a contact form for [Non-Essential Business Complaints](#).
- **IL Workers Compensation Commission: Emergency Amendment 04/15/20**: Emergency workers comp regulation introduced and effective April 16: presumes exposure of a "COVID-19 First Responder or Front-Line Worker" to COVID-19 to have arisen out of and in the course of their employment and to be causally connected to the hazards or exposures of their employment. Definition of "COVID-19 First Responder or Front-Line Worker" includes essential businesses and essential infrastructure sections under [IL Executive Order 2020-10](#); essential infrastructure specifically references recycling.
- **IL Coronavirus Response**: Information on spread and updates on executive orders, news, prevention for businesses and communities, preparation FAQs, and other resources.
  - **Stay at Home Order FAQs**: Information on the revised Stay at Home Order requirements.
    - **IL Executive Order 20-32**: Stay at Home: May 1: Sets public health requirements for all individuals and for businesses and Stay at Home, Social Distancing Requirements, and designations for Essential Businesses and Operations. Includes extensive requirements on face coverings, signage, social distancing, and hygiene and cleaning for all businesses and individual sectors.
      - Essential Infrastructure includes "solid waste and recycling collection and removal"; Essential Businesses includes manufacturing and supply chain. **Does not cite** U.S. DHS CISA Guidance on Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce.
    - **IL Executive Order 2020-10**: Stay at Home: March 21 through April 30 (extended). Non-essential closure.
    - **IL Executive Order 2020-18**: Extends Stay at Home and other COVID-19 Executive Orders until April 30.
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- **IDES: COVID-19 and Unemployment Benefits**: Explanation of unemployment benefits and emergency rules to increase system response, including Rapid Response Services.
- **IL Dept of Labor**: Home page includes FAQs regarding COVID-19 and labor laws.
- **IL Dept of Revenue: COVID-19**: Information on taxpayer relief and assistance.
- **IL Dept. Public Health: Business and Organization Guidance**: strategies for outbreak planning.

### Indiana (updated 05/04/20)
- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Most counties entered Phase 2 reopening on May 4, with health and safety requirements for all businesses. Target for Phase 3 is May 24.
- **Back on Track Indiana**: Information on reopening plan and links to what's open and closed and industry guidelines.
- **IN.gov: Coronavirus**: Includes email update sign up, response status, testing information, and links to other state resources.
- **IN COVID-19 Business Resource Center**: Small business resources, including SBA Disaster Loans & PPP, IN SBDC, IN Chamber Rapid Response Loans, and free webinars to address ongoing concerns, as well as links to other state and federal resources, information on economic-related announcements, and a description of IN business activities to assist in response efforts.
- **IOSHA: COVID-19 Standards and Directives**: Information on symptoms, guidance on prevention of spread, including recommendations on using cloth face covers while around others, and links to CDC and OSHA Guidance.
- **IN DWD: COVID-19 Information**: Information on unemployment benefits and registration information for upcoming webinars on unemployment insurance basics for impacted workers.
  - Employer FAQs for COVID-19 work-related issues: Information on tax rate impact, filing of wage reports, health insurance / COBRA payments, reduced hours, etc.
- **IN SBDC: COVID-19 Resources**: Information on SBA Disaster Loans, PPP, and other funding resources, counseling and advising, and links to other state resources.
- **IN Governor**: News Releases and Executive Orders
- **IN Dept Revenue: COVID-19**: Information on suspended services, filing and payment extensions, and FAQs.
- **IN Economic Development Corporation: News**: No specific COVID-19 page, but News Release Archive includes notification of SBA disaster relief funding.
- **Indy Chamber: Rapid Response Hub**: Information for businesses regarding health, finance options (includes SBA information and local finance options), employee support information, virtual town halls, and links to state and local resources.
  - Rapid Response Loan Fund: Through Indy Chamber's Business Ownership Initiative: offers loans between $1,000 and $25,000 with 3.75% interest.

### Iowa (updated 04/29/20)
- **COVID-19 In Iowa**: State clearinghouse. Information on current status, prevention, proclamations, guidance, state and federal resources, and FAQs.
  - IA Public Health Proclamation 2020.04.27: Allows reopening of some businesses formerly ordered closed.
  - IA Public Health Proclamation 2020.04.16: Employee and Public Protection: Effective April 16 through April 30: Health and safety guidelines for employers in RMCC Region
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6 (Allamakee, Benton, Black Hawk, Bremer, Buchanan, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Grundy, Howard, Jones, Linn, and Winneshiek Counties). Employers must:

- Evaluate whether any more of their employees can work from home and enable such to the extent reasonable; and
- For in-person operations, take reasonable precautions to ensure the health of their employees and the public, including "appropriate employee screening, social distancing practices, and increased cleaning and hygiene practices".

- **IA Economic Development Authority: COVID-19 Business Recovery Assistance**: Business information clearinghouse. Includes information on the CARES Act, SBA assistance programs, business tax deferral, financial assistance, financial guidance, and links to other state resources.
  - **IA Small Business Relief Grant Program & Tax Deferral**: While the grant program application is currently closed, the application for a deferral of sales and use or withholding taxes and waiver of penalty and interest to eligible businesses remains open.

- **IA Workforce Development - COVID 19**: hotline and information about CARES Act benefits, unemployment insurance, and the Voluntary Shared Work Program, as well as recordings of employer and employee webinars on unemployment insurance and COVID-19.

- **IASourceLink: COVID-19 Business Information**: Lists latest updates, provides links to business guidance, financial assistance, support webinars, and state and national resources.
  - **Financial Assistance**: Information on applying for SBA assistance programs, Iowa business tax deferral, and other funding and relief programs.

- **IA Dept of Revenue: COVID-19**: News and FAQs on responses to COVID-19, including the Small Business Relief tax deferrals and extensions for different tax types.

- **IA Governor: Newsroom**: Press releases and information on executive actions.

- **IA SBDC: COVID-19**: Offers counseling services, preparedness resources, information on SBA assistance programs, and other resources.

- **IDPH: COVID-19**: health related information, status updates, testing information, and mitigation strategies.
  - **Businesses and Organizations**: Links to general outbreak guidance for businesses with health and safety recommendations, social distancing guidelines, and guidance for specific industry sectors.

- **IA State University: CIRAS: COVID-19 Business Information**: Checklists for businesses, supply chain disruption planning, federal, state, and local resources, and current updates.

- **IA Association of Business and Industry: COVID-19** News and resource links for IA businesses.

### Kansas (updated 05/04/20)

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Kansas's Phase 1 Reopening, effective May 4 until rescinded, includes specific requirements and guidance for businesses and individuals, and repeals the prior Stay at Home order.

- **Kansas COVID-19**: State information clearinghouse with links to reopening plan, family resources and support, benefits and assistance, information for businesses, and other resources.
  - **Business and Agriculture**: Includes links to information for essential functions, business loans and relief assistance, unemployment insurance, taxes, and job postings.

- **KS Gov: COVID-19 Updates**: General information page: includes hotline, state updates, and resources for different groups.
• **KS Dept of Commerce COVID-19 Response:** Business information clearinghouse. Information on closure, business resources, jobs, new developments, and other state resources.
  o **Business Resources:** Information on CARES Act, SBA Paycheck Protection Program and Disaster Relief Loans, contact information, and Community Development Block Grants.
  o **Community Development Block Grants:** $6.3 million in CDBG funds that currently reside with 36 Kansas communities, who use them for revolving loan programs for small businesses. Application and approval process has been streamlined.
  o **KANSASWORKS Workforce Services:** Program updates and information for employers and employees, including Rapid Response

• **KS Dept. of Labor COVID-19 Response Resources:** Shared Work information, spreadsheet filing for unemployment insurance, information for workers, and links to other resources.
  o **Employers: File by Spreadsheet**
  o **Shared Work Program**

• **KS Dept. Revenue:** Information on online services and news updates regarding extensions.

• **KS Chamber: COVID-19 Resources:** Links to state and local resources, FAQS on federal actions and assistance, webinars, and other information.

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**Kentucky (updated 04/28/20)**

• **KY Covid-19 Response:** Information clearinghouse; gives status updates, COVID-19 hotline, Team Kentucky fund for donations, updates on state actions, CDC Guidelines for preventing spread in communities, and links to other state resources.
  o **KY Healthy at Work:** Information on phased approach to reopening plans. Industry groups and businesses are encouraged to submit reopen proposals discussing possible strategies and challenges their business or sector will face in safely reopening. Businesses that are currently open do not need to submit proposals, but must comply with new standards as they are set for their industries.
  o **KY Safer - Is My Business Complying:** Basic FAQs regarding the Healthy at Home closure order; includes an online form to submit questions regarding compliance.

• **KY Governor: COVID-19:** Daily updates on executive actions. Includes executive orders on closures, unemployment and public assistance and application for SBA Relief Loans.
  o **Benchmarks for Reopening:** April 17; includes 7 benchmarks to move to the first stage of reopening.
  o **Regional Partnership for Reopening:** April 16: Announcement of coordination between IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, & WI to reopen regional economies when the time is right.
  o **KY Executive Order 2020-257:** Healthy at Home: Issued March 25, Effective March 26 at 8 PM: All businesses that are not life-sustaining must cease operations except as needed to conduct Minimum Basic Operations. Life Sustaining Businesses include those identified in the U.S. DHS CISA Guidelines, listed Life-sustaining Retail as outlined in the order as well as **KY Executive Order 2020-246**, and other listed businesses. List does not specifically reference recycling, but does include "manufacturing companies, distributors, and supply chain companies producing and supplying critical products and services in and for industries such as… waste pickup and disposal… steel and steel products… as well as products used by other Life-Sustaining Businesses". All businesses
permitted to operate must follow, to the fullest extent practicable, social distancing and hygiene guidance from the CDC and KY Dept of Health.

- **Nonessential Retailers to close:** [KY Executive Order 2020-246](#): In-person retail businesses that are not life sustaining to close March 23 at 8 PM. Nonessential retail businesses may still fill phone and online orders through curbside services or delivery. Retail businesses that remain open must follow state and CDC social distancing and hygiene guidance to the fullest extent practicable.

- **KY Cabinet for Economic Development: COVID-19 Business Resources:** Business information clearinghouse. Federal programs and legislation assistance, links to federal and state resources, summary of U.S. Families First Act, information on closure of non-essential retail businesses, and unemployment information including Rapid Response, Career Center locations, and FAQs.

- **KY Career Center:** Unemployment services; homepage includes extensive information on claims process and changes in response to COVID-19.

- **KY Labor Cabinet:** Homepage includes a link to [information on accessing services](#).

- **KY Dept of Revenue: COVID-19 Information:** Information on extensions and penalty waivers.

- **KY SBDC: Coronavirus:** Question form, information on the status of SBA Disaster Loan availability, webinars, checklists and steps for businesses owners, and links to other resources.

- **KY Cabinet Health and Family Services: COVID-19 Resources:** Information on medical and child care facilities.

- **KY Chamber: COVID-19 Resources for Employers:** Includes FAQs and a form to submit business related COVID-19 questions.

- **Local**
  - [One Louisville: COVID-19 Response Fund](#): Provide financial assistance to help communities, households, and businesses who are disproportionately impacted by the virus and its economic consequences.
  - [ONE East KY: COVID-19](#): News and resources and business impact survey.

**Louisiana (updated 05/01/20)**

- **LA Governor: Coronavirus Information:** news updates, press releases, information on the Stay at Home Order, and links to other state information.
  - [Stay at Home Order Information](#): All persons are urged to wear masks when in public. An announcement on moving to Phase 1 of reopening will be made by May 11.
  - [LA Executive Order 52 JBE 2020](#): Stay at Home: May 1 through May 15: Requires individuals stay at home except for Essential Activities and prohibits gatherings of 10 or more in a single space in close proximity. Also continues other executive orders. Exempts going to work for an Essential Business as provided in U.S. DHS CISA Guidance. Closes certain nonessential businesses (public amusement, personal care and grooming, and malls); other businesses not covered by CISA Guidance may continue operations but with only essential employees and minimal contact with the public while requiring social distancing and abiding by 10 person limit on gatherings. All businesses shall require any owner or employee with interaction or contact with the public to wear a face mask or covering.
  - [LA Executive Order 33 JBE 2020](#): closes non-essential businesses to the public from 5 PM on March 23 through April 30 (extended from April 12 by [LA E.O. 41 JBE 2020](#)).
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- **Essential Infrastructure Fact Sheet**: Additional examples of Critical Infrastructure Businesses consistent with U.S. DHS Guidance. List includes "solid waste and recycling collection and removal".
- **COVID-19 Resources**: Includes a Keeping Calm through COVID hotline, volunteer resources, and links to other state and federal resources.

**LA Economic Development: COVID-19 Assistance**: Provides a hotline for business questions, Information on the Loan Portfolio Guaranty Program, links to governor's orders and Stay at Home information, other state pages, SBA Disaster Relief Loan and Paycheck Protection Program information, business assistance sources, guidance on teleworking and cyber risk management, regional chambers, and regional emergency relief funds. Also provides a form to sign up for COVID-19 business updates.

- **LA Loan Portfolio Guaranty Program**: Provides loans to small businesses with less than 100 employees through participating banks. Funds are to help maintain continuation of operations directly impacted by COVID-19, including employee payroll.

**LA Workforce Commission - COVID-19 Information by Division**: Includes information on unemployment insurance, information on reemployment programs, contact information for the Rapid Response pre-layoff program, as well as resources for employees.

- **Information for Workers and Employers on unemployment insurance**

**LA Dept of Revenue: News Releases**: Information on latest changes

- **LA Dept of Revenue: COVID-19**: Information on state actions.
- **COVID-19 Related Tax Extensions**: Catalogues extensions for various state tax types.

**LA Dept Health: COVID-19**: general health and safety related information.

- Requires employees of a business who have contact with the public to wear a mask.
- Recommends essential workers possibly exposed continue working if they remain asymptomatic.
- Gives recommendation for essential businesses on cleaning and prevention.
- **Business Guidance**: planning, prevention and hygiene information; includes guidance on screening symptomatic employees, hygiene and cleaning, and measures employees should take before traveling.

**Maine (updated 05/01/20)**

- **Restarting Maine's Economy**: Information on reopening stages beginning May 1. Early stages will focus on resuming business operations with new public health guidance, including face coverings in public settings and for workers when appropriate and additional sector-based health and safety protocols and checklists (to be released). Will move away from essential versus nonessential to requirements for all businesses; all businesses that have been open may remain open.
  - Stage 1: May 1: Targeted reopening permitted per checklist standards; continued work from home where possible.
  - Stage 2: June: All retail businesses to reopen per checklist standards; gatherings of up to 50 allowed; return to offices.
  - Stage 3: Further reopening, continued checklist standards.
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- **ME DECD: COVID-19 Prevention Checklists**: Requirements for all businesses as well as specific business sectors to operate; new industry checklists will be distributed ahead of each staged opening.
  - **ME DCED: COVID-19 Checklist Compliance Form**: All Businesses must commit to complying with Checklist requirements by filling out the checklist compliance form.
  - **ME Stage 1 Checklist for All Businesses**: High risk employees may request telework; employers should make workplaces as safe as possible. Recommends staggered work shifts and hours. Requirements include social distancing; signage; hygiene and cleaning; ensuring employees have access to hand soap, cloth face coverings, gloves, tissues, paper towels, and a designated trash bin for used items; discouraging shared use of equipment; limiting non-essential travel; and employee screening.
- **ME Governor: Preparing for and Responding to COVID-19**: Information on Stay Healthy at Home order, prevention, financial resources for businesses and workers, and links to resources.
  - **ME Executive Order 49 FY 19/20**: Stay Safer at Home: May 1 through May 31: Authorizes the Dept of Economic and Community Development to implement the Restarting Plan with targeted reopenings. Individuals must wear cloth face coverings in public settings where physical distancing is difficult to maintain. Employers in settings that are not typically accessible to the public may determine the persons who should wear a cloth face covering at their workplace and shall permit any employee who wants to wear a covering to do so. Continues other stay at home order requirements except where modified by Restarting Plan or other interpretive guidance.
    - **ME Executive Order 28 FY 19/20**: Stay Healthy at Home: April 2 through April 30: Persons must stay at residences except for Essential Activities, workers at Essential Businesses and Operations pursuant to Order 19 FY 19/20, or non-essential businesses for Minimal Operations or delivering goods. Continues Order FY 19/20 requirements with additional restrictions on essential stores with retail space: places in-store gathering limits based on size of store and includes social distancing and hygiene requirements within the order.
    - **ME Executive Order No. FY 19/20**: March 25 through April 8, non-essential that are public facing and allow customer, vendor, or in-person contact or that require more than 10 workers in a space where social distancing is not possible must cease activities. Essential businesses to comply with social distancing to extent possible. Follows DHS Critical infrastructure list with additional clarifications.
  - **Essential services designation request**: Form for business not included in the lists.
  - **Resources for Businesses**: PDF with information on Federal and state financial assistance
- **Finance Authority of Maine**: updates and links to resources, including COVID-19 relief loan programs in addition to the SBA Disaster Loans that Maine businesses are also eligible for.
  - **COVID-19 Relief Loan Programs**: Programs for individuals, employees, lenders, and businesses.
    - **COVID-19 Relief Consumer Loan Program**: Up to $5,000, minus any unemployment benefits received by the borrower, available for each 30 day period affected, up to 3 times.
    - **COVID-19 Relief Interim SBA Finance Loan Program**: up to $100,000 with special terms available to eligible borrowers who provide proof of commitment for SBA financing. Eligible borrowers will provide proof of commitment for SBA
financing with the intention the FAME loan would be originated for use to business owner until such time as SBA loan is funded. The SBA loan would then pay-off the FAME loan.

- **COVID-19 Relief Business Direct Loan Program**: up to $50,000 with special terms available to Maine-based businesses experiencing interruption or hardship due to COVID-19. These special terms are available only on applications submitted via the FAME Direct Loan Program on or after March 20, 2020.

- **ME Dept. of Labor - COVID-19**: Information on unemployment benefits changes, Families First Act, filing and contacts for COVID-19, as well as a downloadable FAQs, labor law guidance, and other resources on COVID-19.

- **Maine Dept. Economic and Community Development**: Homepage currently serves as a collection of information and state and federal resource links, including financial resources, and gives contact information for COVID-19 business-related questions.

- **ME CDC: COVID-19**: status updates, testing and prevention information, news releases, and guidance documents.

- **ME Revenue Services**: Homepage includes links to notices regarding extensions and changes.

- **Maine Chamber: COVID-19**: News updates and information pages for individuals and families, employees, businesses, and communities, webinars and information on federal assistance.
  - COVID-19 & Your Employees
  - COVID-19 & Your Business

- **CEI Maine - COVID-19 Resources for Businesses**: NOTE: NOT A GOVERNMENT SITE. Private financial company site. Provides information on state resources as well as financing options, legal and HR guidance on COVID-19 issues, and HR and business leader resources.

### Maryland (updated 05/04/20)

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Maryland's closure order will be in effect until rescinded. The order and state Department of Health provide guidance for essential businesses on social distancing, cleaning, and screening, and a further order includes further requirements for retail on face coverings, signage, social distancing, and cleaning. Maryland has also authorized local health officials to require any facility they judge as unsafe to modify their operations or close, including essential businesses.

- **Maryland COVID-19 Information for Businesses**: Clearinghouse for business impact information. Links to state resources and information on business closures, emergency legislation on worker termination and unemployment, financial assistance, taxes, employer and worker assistance, licensing and permitting, and other state and federal actions.

- **MD Governor - COVID-19 Response**: Includes Information on state actions
  - MD Pandemic Orders and Guidance: Information on and links to latest executive orders and interpretive guidance.

- **MD COVID-19 Tax Response**: Information on new filing deadlines and other actions.

- **MD Small Business Development Center**: Information on office locations, consulting services, and SBA loans. Updated information will be added when available.

- **MDH: Coronavirus Information Portal**: Status updates, prevention guidelines, and other info.
  - Resources for Businesses: Guidance and signs for buildings.

- **MD Chamber: COVID-19 Education & Prevention Resources**
Maryland Business Relief Wizard: helps connect businesses with resources and support that they are eligible for.

Massachusetts (updated 04/29/20)
    - Reopening Advisory Board: To develop a report by May 18 with DPH approved workplace safety standards, industry frameworks, and customer protocols and guidelines.
    - COVID-19: Essential Services: Information on the Closure Order. March 24 through May 18 (extended): All businesses and organizations that do not provide “COVID-19 Essential Services” to close their physical workplaces and facilities to workers, customers and the public. Recycling is included as Public Works & Infrastructure Support Services. Essential Services are urged to continue operations with allowance for social distancing protocols constant with MA Dept Public Health Guidance.
      - MA COVID-19 Order No. 13: Essential Services
      - MA COVID-19 Order No. 30: Extending closures through May 18.
    - Non-Healthcare Essential Service Worker Exposure Guidance (opens as Word doc download): Issued April 14, safety practices for workers who may have had exposure to a person with suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Guidance includes screening, cleaning, and facemasks for asymptomatic workers.
- MA Exec Office of Housing and Economic Development: COVID-19 Resources and Guidance for Businesses: Expanding list of resources and links to other state agencies. Includes information on SBA assistance programs, emergency order guidance, and state actions.
  - Executive Office of Labor & Workforce Development Resources
    - WorkShare program: tool to help employers avoid layoffs during a downturn
    - Rapid Response program: avert layoffs and keep a skilled workforce
- MA Dept Revenue: COVID-19 update: Gives updates on specific emergency rulings and extensions for income tax returns and payments, sales and use taxes, and other taxes and fees.
- Mass.gov: COVID-19 Information for Businesses & Employers: info on unemployment resources and small business relief from SBA and the MA Dept. of Revenue.

Michigan (updated 04/27/20)
- MI Coronavirus: Information on the Stay Home, Stay Safe order and other executive orders, status updates, and resources for groups.
  - FAQs for Employers
  - FAQs for Employees
- MI Executive Orders & Directives
  - MI Executive Order No. 2020-59: Issued April 24: Supersedes MI E.O. 2020-42 with additional health and safety requirements, including face mask requirements. Extends
Stay Home, Stay Safe through May 15. Businesses and operations that employ critical infrastructure workers or workers who perform resumed activities may continue in-person operations; must designate and inform such workers of their designation in writing. Defines Critical Infrastructure according to the U.S. DHS Guidance as of March 19 (does not adopt subsequent releases); also includes trash pick-up and disposal (including recycling and composting) as necessary government activities.

- Businesses maintaining in-person activities must adhere to sound social distancing practices and measures in Section 11, including developing a COVID-19 preparedness and response plan; restricting number of workers on premises to those necessary; 6 ft. distancing, cleaning and disinfecting, worker screening, and any other CDC recommended measures.
- **All businesses and operations whose workers perform in-person work must, at a minimum, provide non-medical grade face coverings to their workers, effective April 27.**
- Certain landscaping, maintenance, moving, and storage workers are subject to enhanced requirements including PPE.
- Additional restrictions for workers at essential retail stores.
  - AG Nessel issued a statement on April 26 asking law enforcement to consider good-faith efforts of businesses to comply with MI E.O. 2020-59's face covering requirements, and asking employees that can safely do so to use their own face coverings as protection until businesses provide face coverings as required by the order.
    - EO 2020-42: Is bottle return an essential service: Deems bottle returns are not critical infrastructure. Deposits will continue to be collected.
  - MI Executive Order No. 2020-21: March 24, 2020 through April 13, 2020: prohibit in-person work that is not necessary to sustain or protect life, as determined by the U.S. DHS Critical Infrastructure list.

- **Resources for Employers and Workers**: Link to various state resources and information, including executive orders and directives and unemployment insurance information.
- **MEDC: Resources for MI Businesses During COVID-19** Information on suspension of non-essential activities, state small business relief grants and loans, SBA Disaster relief loans and Paycheck Protection Program, other state and federal resources, and local resources.
  - MI Small Business Relief Program: Information and links to grant and loan programs administered by local economic development organizations.
  - Additional MEDC Programs Supporting Small Businesses
  - Unemployment resources for employers and employees: links to information on WorkShare program and Guidance to Employers Contemplating Potential Layoffs.
- **MI Bridges**: Assistance for individuals applying for COVID-19 related benefits and assistance.
- **MI Dept Treasury: COVID-19 Updates**: Information on extensions and other relief changes.
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- **MI SBDC: Supporting Your Small Business During COVID-19**: Webinars, info on SBA loans and Paycheck Protection Program, and Q&A.
- **MI Chamber Coronavirus Toolkit**: Downloadable Essential Worker Designation Letter template, information on general resources, unemployment, financial relief, and health related issues. Also includes a question form for answers to coronavirus related questions.
- **MI Small Business Association - COVID-19 Resources**

### Minnesota (updated 05/04/20)

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Minnesota's Stay at Home order with a limited reopening of Non-Critical Exempt Businesses is effective through May 17, with health and safety guidance for Critical Sectors and requirements for Non-Critical.
- **MN Employment and Economic Development: COVID-19**: Links to health resources, information for workers and employers. Information will be updated as available.
  - **Information and Resources for Workers**
  - **Information and Resources for Employers**: Includes information on Critical Business Exemptions to Stay Home Order, MN Small Business Emergency Loans and federal assistance, Unemployment insurance, and FAQs for businesses.
  - **Guidance on Stay at Home Order**: Links and information on Stay at Home order, including eligibility for Critical Sector Worker Exemptions, FAQs, and links to additional resources.
  - **MN Safely Returning to Work**: Information on reopening process and guidance and FAQs for businesses and workers.
  - **Summary Guide to Small Business Assistance Programs**: Compilation of state and federal programs.
  - **Small Business Emergency Loans**: Range from $2,500 to $35,000 and will be based on the firm’s economic injury and the financial need.
  - **Small Business Loan Guarantee Program**: Through partner lenders, funds to businesses with fewer than 250 employees; 80% guarantee up to $200,000.
  - **DEED Rapid Response page**
- **MN OSHA Compliance**: COVID-19: Fact sheets and guidance for businesses.
- **MN Unemployment Insurance: COVID-19**: Information on executive order regarding unemployment benefits and relief for taxpaying employers, as well as other unemployment info.
- **MN Dept. of Labor and Industry: COVID-19 Updates**: Information on Critical Sectors and stay at home orders, worker protections, worker's compensation, and other issues.
  - **Worker Protections Related to COVID-19**
  - **Employer & Employee FAQs**
- **MN Dept Revenue: COVID-19 Response**: Information on extensions and grace periods for income tax and business taxes, and possible relief options for property taxes. Asks for contact on tax or debt collection relief.
- **MN Governor: COVID-19**: Information on executive actions and links to other state resources.
- **MN Dept. of Health: COVID-19**: Status updates, prevention information, and guidance.
- **MN Chamber of Commerce: COVID-19 Resources**: Includes links to state agency COVID-19 pages, guidelines for businesses, and information on economic impacts.
  - **Funding, Loans, and Grants**: Information on state and federal programs.
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- Employment Guidance: state and federal changes related to unemployment, sick leave, and worker protections.

Mississippi (updated 04/28/20)

- Coronavirus.MS.gov: Official state site; includes hotline, status updates, recent news, and links to other resources.
  - MS Executive Order 1477: Safer at Home: April 27 through May 11: Encourages individuals to stay at home except for Essential Activities, requires social distancing and avoiding gatherings of more than 10. Vulnerable individuals to continue to shelter in place. Essential Activities includes operating a business and/or performing job duties. Businesses may remain open or reopen subject to limitations, including work from home when possible and reasonable measures to ensure compliance with MS Dept of Health and CDC Guidelines, including social distancing, screening, and hygiene and cleaning. Retail businesses must limit customers to 50% capacity and engage in frequent cleaning of high contact surfaces. To the extent possible, special accommodations should be made for vulnerable employees.
    - MS Executive Order 1473: Extended Shelter in Place Order to 8 AM on April 27. Allowed retail sales by non-essential businesses with H&S requirements.
    - MS Executive Order 1466: Shelter in Place: Issued April 1, Effective April 3 at 5 pm through April 20 at 8 AM: Non-essential businesses must cease operation and all activities except Minimum Operations.
    - MS Executive Order 1463: Avoid social and non-essential gatherings of more than 10 in close proximity; does not apply to normal operations of listed locations, including manufacturing facilities and any Essential Business.
- MS Emergency Management Agency: COVID-19 Preventative Recommendations: Information on emergency declarations, state closures, insurance information, SBA assistance, IRS Economic Impact Payments, and new developments, with links to other state resources.
- MS Dept Agriculture & Commerce: COVID-19: Links to state and federal resources.
- MS Dept of Revenue: homepage includes recent news with updates on COVID-19 actions and extensions
- MS Dept Insurance: COVID-19: Includes information on health insurance coverage, commercial policies, business interruption insurance coverage, and other insurance information
- MS SBDC: COVID-19 Business Resources: Information on SBA Disaster Loans and business resiliency plans, as well as help with funding, taxation changes, and employment law changes.
  - COVID-19: Funding: Information on the various SBA assistance programs.
- MS Executive Orders: Links to all executive orders issued by the Governor.
- MSDH Coronavirus page: Information on status, prevention, and testing.
- MS Economic Council: Coronavirus Resources for Employers: Includes information on SBA assistance, coronavirus hotline, links to federal and state information pages, and prevention and preparedness information.
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Missouri (updated 05/04/19)

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Information on recovery plan stages and requirements. Missouri's Show Me Strong Plan removes essential vs non-essential designation.
- **Show Me Strong Recovery Plan**: Guidance for businesses and citizens.
  - **Show Me Strong Recovery Plan Guidance**: Information on Show Me Strong Recovery Phase 1, guidelines for individuals and businesses, and FAQs
- **MO Governor News**: Press releases on executive actions and Executive Orders.
  - **Show Me Strong Recovery Plan Guidance**: Information on Show Me Strong Recovery Phase 1, guidelines for individuals and businesses, and FAQs
- **MO Dept. Economic Development**: News and links to waiver requests and DHSS resources.
  - **Stay at Home: Business Guidance**: Information on essential business and social distancing criteria and waiver requests.
- **MOSourceLink: COVID-19 Business Resources**: Business information clearinghouse. Includes hotline for businesses and an alphabetical listing of business resources, including results from business surveys, employee policies and workforce concerns, financial assistance and resources, managing remote teams, regional resources, tax relief, and FAQs for businesses.
  - **COVID-19 Virtual Assistant**: automated question support line.
  - **Small Business Financing During COVID-19**: Includes a link to the MO COVID-19 Financial Assistance Request form, counselor services, and guides to SBA assistance programs, federal actions, and other local, regional, and national grants and loans.
- **MO Dept. Labor: COVID-19**: Information on federal legislation impacting paid leave and unemployment; unemployment information for employers and workers, including the Shared Work Program and filing a mass claim; worker's compensation; and discrimination.
- **MO SBDC: COVID-19 Resources**: Advice on preparedness and finances, as well as information on filing for SBA assistance programs.
- **MO Dept. Revenue**: Currently links to DHSS site. Updates will be posted on their news site.
  - **MO DOR Extends Tax Filing Deadline**: Income tax filing and payment deadlines extended to July 15, as well as guidance on expiring drivers licenses and registrations.
- **MO Dept Mental Health: COVID-19**: FAQs and guides on preparedness and managing stress in the community, in the workplace, and for families and individuals.
  - **COVID-19: Critical Elements for Business Planning**
- **MO Dept. Health and Senior Service: COVID-19**: Includes 24 hr. hotline, status update, information on testing, and guidelines for individuals and organizations.
  - **Guidance for Businesses**: Links to CDC and OSHA guidance and other state and federal resources.
- **Local**
  - **St. Charles County COVID-19**: Links to federal, state, and local information, including business and workforce support resources.
  - **St. Louis COVID-19 Business Information Center**: Information on SBA loans, guidelines, and toolkits.
- **MO Chamber: Coronavirus Resources for MO Employers**: Links to state resources, webinars, and primers on business response.
- **Ameren - COVID-19**: Electric and gas utility. Ameren is suspending all disconnections for non-payment and forgiving any late payment fees. Asks users to contact regarding difficulties and gives information on energy assistance and income relief programs.
Montana (updated 04/29/20)

- MT Governor's Coronavirus Task Force: notification sign up, status updates and links to resources, including information on Stay at Home directive.
  - MT Directive for Phased Reopening: Issued April 22: Extends Stay at Home Directive until Sunday, April 26 for individuals and Monday, April 27 for most non-essential businesses (bars and restaurants to May 4). Following the expiration, businesses are no longer designated essential or non-essential. Includes extensive health and safety requirements and guidelines for businesses to follow, as well as additional guidance for phases 1, 2, and 3 of the reopening process.
    - MT Directive Extending Directives through April 24: Also preempts less restrictive local ordinances.
  - COVID-19 Joint Information Center: Links to state department information, executive orders and directives, and media resources.

- MT Dept Commerce: COVID-19 Business Recovery: Links to information on federal assistance, streamlined unemployment benefits, and other resources.
  - Emergency rules to streamline unemployment benefits
  - Montana Business Assistance Programs: Information on business assistance loans and other business assistance programs, community assistance, and housing assistance.

- Big Sky Economic Development: Homepage includes news updates on state and local assistance.

- MT Dept Labor & Industry: COVID-19 for Employers and Employees: Information on filing for unemployment, daily updates on FAQs for employers and employees, workers compensation information, CARES and Family First Acts, and resources on workplace safety and health.

- MT Dept Revenue: COVID-19: subscribe to dept. updates, contact information, and information on filing changes; also includes a contact line for those facing COVID-19 hardships.

- MT Governor: Pressroom and Executive Orders


Nebraska (updated 04/29/20)

- NE Dept. Economic Development: COVID-19: Contact information, Community Development Block Grant information, SBA assistance information, and links to other local, state and federal resources, as well as news releases on latest state actions.
  - Community Development Block Grant: Available through DED’s CDBG Economic Development (ED) funding category. Businesses located in the city limits of Omaha, Lincoln, Bellevue and Grand Island are not eligible for this program.
  - SBA Resources

- NE Dept. of Labor - COVID 19 Resources: Information on executive order loosening requirements, filing unemployment, employee and employer FAQs, SBA Paycheck Protection Program, short time compensation information, and links to other state resources.

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- **Short-Time Compensation**: prevent layoffs by allowing employers to reduce hours by 10-60% while employees receive prorated benefits.

- **NE Governor's Office**: Homepage includes recent news on executive actions and links to state and federal resources.

- **NE Dept of Revenue**: Homepage includes featured information on COVID-19 response, including income tax deadline extension and email updates.

- **NE DHHS COVID-19**: Information line, update subscription, status information, news releases, and guidance on prevention.

- **NE Dept of Insurance - COVID-19 Information**: Links to notices regarding health and catastrophic plan coverage and COVID-19.

- **NE Chamber: Coronavirus Update**: Federal, state, and local resource information and links.

- **University of Nebraska-Lincoln: NE Business Resources**: Not COVID-19 specific; listing of financial, training, information, and other resources available to Nebraska businesses.
  - **Nebraska Business Response Survey**: To help quantify assistance needs.

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**Nevada (updated 05/01/20)**

- **NV Office Economic Development: COVID-19 Business Resources**: Information on and links to closure directives, state and federal planning and response guidance, SBA financial assistance, CARES Act and state unemployment information, etc.

- **NV Governor's Office Press Releases**: News on executive actions regarding COVID-19
  - **Nevada United Roadmap to Recovery**: Outline of actions to date and information on recovery phases.
  - **NV COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency Directive 016**: Effective May 1 through May 15: Non-essential retail businesses may resume retail sales on a curbside or home delivery basis only. Reopening businesses must adopt NV OSHA measures on social distancing and sanitation and abide by all other guidance. To the extent practicable, businesses must provide services in a manner that prevents queues that violate social distancing. All businesses are encouraged to permit employees to work from home. Otherwise extends Directive 003 through May 15.
    - **NV COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency Directive 003**: Non-essential businesses close effective March 20 to April 30 (extended from April 16 by NV E.D. 010). Essential businesses must adopt COVID-19 risk mitigation measures that reduce the risk of community disease spread. Manufacturing and Infrastructure must maintain strict social distancing practices and comply with any precautionary measures and guidance promulgated by the NV Dept Business & Industry.
    - **NV COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency Directive 013**: Includes requirement that essential businesses providing services or selling goods to the public implement measures to control in-store traffic to ensure social distancing standards are maintained, including queue line spacing.
  - **Guidance on Essential Businesses**: "Essential Licensed Business" includes recycling services and manufacturing as essential infrastructure operations.
  - **NV OSHA Memorandum for Essential Businesses**: Recommendations and guidance for essential businesses. Requires social distancing protocols, prohibiting gatherings of 10 or
more, promoting frequent handwashing and providing a place to wash hands or hand
rubs. Recommends providing face masks for service runners, drive through attendants,
and other immediately exposing tasks. Requires routine cleaning and providing sanitation
and cleaning supplies. Requires daily screening of staff, and that any identified first
responders in the labor force are provided and use the needed PPE. Requires access to
potable water.

- **NV OSHA Memorandum for Manufacturers**: Additionally requires social distancing be
  maintained during operation of mobile equipment designed for 2 or more passengers.

**New Hampshire (updated 05/04/20)**

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Stay at Home Order 2.0 allows a limited
  reopening of certain recreational / close contact businesses; it also allows the reopening of retail
  businesses on May 11. The order allows essential businesses to continue to operate according to
  the new health and safety requirements, with other non-essential to remain closed through May 31.

- **NH.gov COVID-19**: Clearinghouse for information. Includes question hotline, status updates,
  links to other state and federal resources, and FAQs
  - **Economic Re-Opening Task Force**: Information on Task Force and Stay at Home Order 2.0.
  - **Business Guidance**: Links to NH Economy Business Resources page, provides CDC
guidance and guidance on environmental cleaning and disinfection recommendations.

- **NH Economy - COVID-19 NH Business Resources**: Business information clearinghouse.
  Business Help contact form, links to Executive Orders, information on essential businesses and
  reopening, other state and federal resources, unemployment information, loans and grants, and
  public health information.
  - **Unemployment / Layoffs**: articles with guidance, information, and FAQs on
    unemployment insurance and the NH Workshare Layoff Aversion Program.
  - **Loans and Grants**: Information on SBA Disaster Loans and programs available through
    the Business Finance Authority and Community Development Finance Authority.

- **NH Works**: Homepage gives links and information on COVID-19 resources, including business
  closures and Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN), Rapid Response, and
  Workshare Program.
  - **NH Rapid Response**: for groups of 25 or more workers dislocated by layoff or closing.
  - **NH Workshare**
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- **NH Business Finance Authority**: No specific COVID-19 information available yet, but offers "a variety of easy-to-use credit enhancements and direct lending tools to help New Hampshire companies grow."
- **NH Community Development Finance Authority: COVID-19 Resources**: Information on grants and other resources.
  - **Current CDFA Grantees and Borrowers**: Information and application on emergency needs relief related to existing loan customer base.
- **NH Dept. of Revenue Administration**: No specific COVID-19 page, but home page includes announcements and notices.
- **NH Governor - Emergency Orders**
- **NH Insurance Department - COVID-19**: Information on healthcare insurance, worker's compensation, business interruption, general liability, and other insurance plans.

**New Jersey (updated 04/24/20)**

- **NJ COVID-19 Information Hub**: news and updates on executive orders and other state actions, links to state department and division resources, information on testing and for specific groups.
- **Stay at Home & Business Closures**: Information on Executive Orders.
  - **NJ E.O. 122**: Business prevention requirements: Issued April 8, effective April 10 at 8 PM until revoked. New requirements for businesses, particularly manufacturing and essential retail, that remain open according to previous orders. All businesses remaining open must adopt cleaning protocols. Manufacturer minimum requirements on limiting workgroups to fewer than 10, social distancing, staggered operations and breaks, disinfection and hygiene, and requiring cloth or more protective face coverings and gloves provided by the business. Manufacturer and essential retail minimum screening and prevention requirements for COVID-19, including disinfecting site and notifying workers of confirmed cases. Essential retailer requirements include limiting to 50% maximum capacity, social distancing requirements for customers and workers, breaks for hand washing and sanitation, contactless pay and sanitation, and requiring cloth or more protective face coverings for customers and workers and gloves for workers. Also closes non-essential construction and places additional restrictions on essential construction.
  - **NJ E.O. 107**: March 21: Essential retail restrictions and non-essential retail closure; all businesses must accommodate work from home whenever practicable and make best efforts to reduce on-site staff to minimal number necessary.
  - **Social Distancing for Customers, Employees, and Operators**: List of requirements from executive orders.
  - **Does My Business Need to Close?**: Details non-essential retail and construction business closures. Manufacturing may continue to operate, but must limit on site staff and adopt social distancing policies and protocols. Includes chat for essential retail inquiries.
- **NJ COVID-19 Information for NJ Businesses**: Information on executive orders, applying for state and federal financial assistance, and business operations guidance including tax information updates, utility payments, financial assistance information, and unemployment information.
  - **Protocols for Essential Retail, Essential Construction, and Businesses**: Business operations-focused list of requirements from executive orders.
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- **NJ Emergency Assistance Eligibility Wizard**: Allows businesses to quickly check their eligibility for various federal, state, local, and philanthropic programs.
- **What new State financial support programs is my business eligible for? How do I use the Eligibility Wizard?**: Includes current listing of state financial assistance programs.

**NJ Economic Development Authority: Business Information on COVID-19**: Information on programs for virus related impacts, assistance, taxes, etc.
- **NJEDA Small & Mid-Size Businesses**: Information on various existing financial assistance programs
- **NJEDA Small Business Services**: Contact information for service team and information on existing financing and resources.

**NJ Dept. Labor: COVID-19 What Employers and Businesses Should Know**
- Guidance for Employers regarding employees, cleaning, etc.
- Information on financial assistance; site says to check regularly for updates

**NJ Division of Taxation**: Homepage includes information on office closures and tax extensions.

**NJ Chamber: Coronavirus Guide for NJ Businesses**: News updates and webinars for businesses.

New Mexico (updated 05/01/20)

- **NM Dept. of Health: COVID-19**: Information on status and links to executive orders, public health orders, and latest updates.
  - **Public Health Orders and Executive Orders**: Links to state requirements.
  - **Stay at Home FAQs**: Includes information on closure of non-essential businesses
    - **NM Public Health Order April 30**: May 1 through May 15: Extends all current guidance documents and advisories. Amends the closure of Non-Essential Businesses. Prohibits mass gatherings of 5 or more. Non-essential businesses to reduce in-person workforce by 100%, except that non-essential retail may operate curbside pickup and delivery. Essential Businesses may remain open provided they minimize their operations and staff to the greatest extent possible, adhere to social distancing protocol, maintain 6 ft. distancing, avoid person-to-person contact, direct employees to wash their hands frequently, and ensure all surfaces are cleaned routinely. Essential Businesses includes "trash and recycling collection, processing and disposal". For Essential Retail; limits occupancy to 20% and requires social distancing in queues.
    - **NM Public Health Order Closing Non-Essential Businesses**: Effective 8 AM Tuesday, March 24 through April 30.
    - **Essential Business Information**: additional information on essential businesses.
    - **NM Gov Statement on WH Opening Guidelines**.

  - **New Mexico Recovery Fund**: In the process of being launched. For businesses with 40 or more employees that demonstrate an intent to retain as much of their headcount as possible over the life of the loan, demonstrable negative COVID-19 economic impact, and commit to spending at least 80% of loan proceeds in New Mexico (100% preferred).
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- **COVID-19 Business Loan Guarantee Program**: loan or line of credit up to 80% of principal or $50,000. Loan proceeds are flexible and can be used for (and not limited to) the following: working capital, inventory and payroll. [YouTube Information Session](#)

- **NMSBIC Commits $25 Million to Assist Small Businesses Impacted by COVID-19**: March 26: Information on applying for loans through NM Small Business Investment Corporation partners.

- **The All Together NM** Fund will provide a phased response to the pandemic. First, it will address immediate needs in New Mexico communities, including: procurement of food and medical and cleaning supplies for at-risk communities, support for childcare workers who are supporting our front-line employees, and grants to address income insecurity among smaller businesses and employees affected by COVID-19 disruptions

- **Jobs and Economy Updates**: Information on latest actions; past articles included updates on SBA loans, the new business loan program, and extended unemployment eligibility.

  - **NM Dept. of Workforce Solutions: COVID-19 Information for Workers and Businesses**: FAQs and resource links on unemployment insurance for workers and employers.

  - **NM Dept. Taxation & Revenue**: Homepage includes latest information on COVID-19 actions. Includes downloadable PDF on extensions for certain tax programs.

  - **NewMexico.gov**: Home page is devoted to links to COVID-19 state resources and updates from the governor.

    - **Latest Updates**: Information on latest actions as it becomes available

    - **Utilities Response to COVID-19**: Information on electric, gas, and telecom responses.

    - **Information for Individuals Experiencing Financial Hardship**: Childcare, senior assistance, food assistance, unemployment insurance, difficulties paying bills, etc.

**New York (updated 04/27/20)**

- **NY Dept Health: COVID-19**: Information on PAUSE, status updates, testing and prevention, and for employees and employers, as well as other groups.

  - **NY Executive Order 202.8**: PAUSE: Non-essential businesses reduce in-person workforce by 100% from March 22 to May 15 (extended from April 19 by [NY E.O. 202.14](#); extended from April 29 by [NY E.O. 202.18](#); supersedes [NY E.O. 202.6](#)).

  - **PAUSE Guidance on Essential Businesses**: Essential services includes trash and recycling collection, processing and disposal. Essential Businesses must continue to comply with the guidance and directives for maintaining a clean and safe work environment issued by the DOH, and every business, even if essential, is strongly urged to maintain social distancing measures to the extent possible.

  - **NY Executive Order 202.16**: Essential Businesses must provide employees in the workplace with face coverings that must be worn when in direct contact with public.

  - **Information for Employees and Employers**: DOH Guidance for employees and employers

    - **DOH Guidance on Requiring Face Coverings**: Additional information on face covering requirements, including application to independent contracts, the use of an employee's own face covering, reasonable accommodations for employees who are unable to wear face coverings, requests for assistance with face coverings, and other issues.
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- **Protocols for Essential Personnel to Return to Work**: Conditions for suspected or confirmed exposure as well as returning to work after confirmed or suspected COVID-19 infection.
  - **04/16: Blueprint to Un-PAUSE**: Outlines requirements for phased reopening.
  - **04/26: Phased Plan to Reopen**: Phase 1 will target construction and manufacturing with low risk; Phase 2 will open industries based on priority and risk level, with at least two weeks between each phase. The phased re-opening will also be based on individual business and industry plans that include new measures to protect employees and consumers, make the physical work space safer and implement processes that lower risk of infection in the business.

  - **NYS Empire State Development: COVID-19 Related Resources**: Contact link for business-related questions, resource guide for SBA assistance, FAQ for businesses, info for travelers.
    - **SBA COVID-19 Loans**: Application information for SBA PPP, Subsidy Loans, and Disaster Loans, as well as links to organizations available to assist.
  - **NY SBDC: COVID-19 News and Resources**: Includes SBA, state, and local assistance, information on executive orders, and labor / unemployment insurance information.
  - **NY Dept Labor**: Homepage includes information on Pandemic Unemployment Assistance, CARES Act information, COVID-19 unemployment insurance FAQs, and other resources.
  - **NY Tax Dept: COVID-19**: Includes information on deadline extensions income and corporation tax, tax relief for sales tax vendors, cancelling scheduled payments, and a question form.
  - **NY Governor**: News and Executive Orders
  - **NYC Small Business Services: COVID-19 Assistance and Guidance for Businesses**: Information on NYC requirements; essential business FAQs; financial assistance; legal assistance; insurance guidance; and other resources.

**North Carolina (updated 04/23/20)**
- **NCDHHS: Coronavirus Response**: Includes updates on news and executive orders, guidance on school, entertainment, and business closures, and guidance for businesses.
  - **NC Executive Order No. 121**: March 30 through May 8 (extended from April 30 by NC E.O. 135): Non-essential businesses and operations must cease activities except Minimum Basic Operations or working from home. Essential Businesses to direct employees to telework to the maximum extent possible and maintain social distancing requirements on 6 ft. distancing, hygiene, and cleaning to the extent practicable. Essential Businesses specifically references recycling.
  - **NC Executive Order No. 131**: April 13 to May 8 at 5 PM (amended by NC E.O. 135): Additional restrictions on retail establishments. Limits occupancy, requires social distance markings, and frequent and routine environmental cleaning and disinfection.
  - **COVID-19 Information for Businesses and Employers**: Recommendations regarding closures, telework and worker safety, and information on SBA disaster loans.

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- **NC Dept Commerce: COVID-19 Resources:** Contact information for Business Link NC and links to information on financial support, unemployment insurance, business taxes, counseling & advice, supply chain issues, essential business info, and other state and federal resources.
  - Financial Support: Information on SBA assistance programs and the **NC COVID-19 Rapid Recovery Lending Program** for small businesses.
  - Unemployment Insurance: Information for employers regarding unemployment insurance tax, requirement waivers, WARN notice, and Rapid Response.
  - Business Tax Issues: updates targeted at business filing requirements.
  - Manufactured in NC: Puts manufacturers in touch with suppliers.

- **NC Employment Security: COVID-19 Information:** Information from the Employment Security Division regarding changes to the state's unemployment system, including relief of benefit charges for employers from claims related to COVID-19.

- **NC Dept Revenue: Actions on COVID-19:** Information on closures, filing deadline extensions, and penalty relief for taxpayers.

- **NC Governor:** Press Releases and Executive Orders

- **North Carolina Chamber: COVID-19 Resource Guide:** Information on webinars, M-W-F Call-in for NC employers, weekly calls with NCDHHS, guidance regarding state and local closures, information on state and federal assistance, and other resources for businesses.

**North Dakota (updated 04/24/20)**

- **ND Response: COVID-19 Resources:** FAQs, press conference recordings, Executive Orders, links to health, business, and K-12, and other state resource pages.
  - Business and Employer Resources: Replaces the Dept. Commerce business clearinghouse page. Links to information pages on specific topics and state and federal resources.
    - Weekly Business Briefings on Thursdays at 11 AM.
    - ND COVID-19 Business Impact Survey: To allow ND to better identify additional resources that are needed.
    - Financial Resources: Information on federal resources including Paycheck Protection Program, SBA Disaster Loans, Expanded unemployment insurance, direct 1 time tax rebate, North Dakota Development Fund Loans, and regional points of contact.
    - Labor: FAQs and information regarding paid leave in the Families First Act and regulations and rights for employees and employers, developed in cooperation with the Dept. of Labor.
    - Insurance: Information on individual and commercial health insurance coverage and business interruption insurance.
    - Tax: Information on federal and state tax relief efforts and changes to deadlines for income tax and other taxes.
    - Safety: Work from home, social distancing, and worker's compensation.

- **ND SBDC: COVID-19 Assistance:** Information on remote assistance for businesses, webinars by the SBDC and other state agencies, SBA assistance programs, and links to other state resources.

- **ND Insurance Dept: COVID-19:** Information on health, business interruption, and other policies.

- **ND Governor:** News and Executive Orders

- **ND Health: Coronavirus:** status updates, public resources, recent news,
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- **Protect Yourself and Others**: Guidance for individuals, businesses, and communities.
- **Greater ND Chamber: COVID-19 Resources and Updates**: email updates, information on webinars, state and federal actions, business checklists, and links to state and federal resources.

**Ohio (updated 05/04/20)**

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Information on Stay Safe Order through May 29 with reopening requirements on all businesses.
- **Responsible Restart Ohio**: Information on business operating requirements during restart phases. Healthcare will reopen beginning May 1; Manufacturing, distribution, and construction beginning May 4; Retail and services beginning May 12. Stay at Home order remains in effect.
- **OH Office of Small Business Relief**: Business information clearinghouse. Includes planning and prevention considerations, support for businesses with information on state and federal financial, tax, unemployment, layoff alternatives including PPP, SharedWork Ohio, and Rapid Response, banking updates, and FAQs.
- **OH Dept Health: COVID-19**: general public health information, updates on latest developments, checklists and prevention information
  - **Employers and Employee Guidance**: Includes a Business/Employer COVID-19 Checklist and **Potentially Exposed Essential Workers Checklist**.
- **OH Governor**: New Releases and Executive Orders
- **OH Dept Commerce**: Little COVID-19 specific info aside from notice of staff teleworking and license candidate guidance.
  - **Coronavirus and Unemployment Insurance: Employer Information**: FAQs on unemployment insurance changes for businesses; includes information on SharedWork Ohio layoff aversion program and Mass Layoffs instructions.
- **OH Dept Taxation: COVID-19 Tax Relief**: Information on filing and payment extensions.
- **OH Dept Insurance: COVID-19**: Information on health and business interruption insurance.
- **OH Chamber of Commerce: COVID-19**: Links to webinars and state and federal resources.
- **Cincinnati Public Library: COVID-19 Employment and Small Business Resources**

**Oklahoma (updated 04/29/20)**

- **OK Dept. of Commerce: COVID-19 Resources**: information on Reopening Oklahoma plan, business closures, weekly industry webinars, federal, state, and local resources and business loans, unemployment insurance, and guidance on sick leave and workplace practices.
  - **Reopening Oklahoma: Open Up & Recover Safely Plan**: 3 Phase approach starting April 24. Allows phased reopening of closed personal care and entertainment venues. All employers should consider:
    - Developing policies for temperature checks, sanitation, use and disinfection of common areas, and business travel;
    - Monitoring workforce for indicative symptoms, not allowing symptomatic people to physically return to work, and consider implementing flexible sick leave and supportive policies and practices;
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- Developing and implementing policies and procedures for workforce contact tracing following employee COVID-19 testing; and
- **Implementing appropriate policies** regarding social distancing and PPE.
- Guidance for Phase 1: create plans to allow employees to return to work in phases, close common areas or enforce social distancing protocols, minimize non-essential travel and adhere to CDC guidelines and executive orders regarding isolation following travel, and honor requests of vulnerable personnel for special accommodations.
- Guidance for Phase 2 (goal of May 15): close common areas or enforce social distancing protocols, honor vulnerable personnel requests, and implement social distancing protocols including proper sanitation and use of PPE when interacting with the public.
- Guidance for Phase 3 (Goal of June 1): resume unrestricted staffing of worksites.
  - **OURS Plan Questions Form**: FAQs and help for businesses for reopening plan.
  - **OK 4th Amended Executive Order 20-13**: Effective April 24, Section 25 directs that all businesses should, unless the local municipality has more stringent guidelines, adhere to the Statewide Open Up and Recover (OURS) Plan as provided on the Oklahoma Department of Commerce website.
    - **OK 7th Amended Executive Order 2020-07**: Issued April 1, Effective March 26 until April 30: Statewide closure of non-critical infrastructure; superseded.
    - **OK 4th Amended Executive Order 2020-07**: Page 5: March 25 to April 16: Closed non-critical businesses located in a county experiencing community spread of COVID-19 as identified by the OSDH on its website.
  - **Employer FAQs About Unemployment Insurance and COVID-19**: Information on mass claims, temporary and permanent closures, and additional benefits.
  - **OK State Dept. of Health: COVID-19**: Includes email updates subscription, impacted counties, current status, information for the public, and health related resources.
    - **COVID-19 Employers Guidance**
  - **OK Dept. of Emergency Management: Coronavirus Updates**: Includes updates on SBA disaster loans and emergency executive orders.
  - **OK Works: COVID-19 Information**: update on unemployment insurance, American Job Centers, companies hiring, resources, and other workforce needs.
  - **OK Dept. of Labor**: Homepage includes notice on executive order extending occupational licenses until May 1, PDF on ODOL response, and links to other state and local information.
  - **OK Tax Commission: COVID-19 Information and Updates**: Includes an FAQ with information on filing and deadline extensions.
  - **OK COVID-19 Resources**: Links to state services and resources.
  - **OK Governor: Newsroom**: Press releases on executive actions on COVID-19
  - **OK Secretary of State: Executive Orders**: Includes latest executive orders on COVID-19
  - **Oklahoma Chamber: Coronavirus Resources**

**Oregon (updated 04/28/20)**
- **OR Governor: Coronavirus Information and Resources**: Health information, closings and recommendations, and resources for employees and employers.
o **Framework for Reopening Oregon**: Transcript of remarks and link to presentation. Most recent plan (as of 04/20) calls for details of the framework, including operational plans and geographic criteria, to be completed the week of May 4.

- **OR Executive Order 20-12**: March 23 until terminated: Closes specified entertainment, retail, and close service businesses for which close personal contact is difficult to avoid. Requires all businesses where telework is not available designate an employee to establish, implement, and enforce OHA guidance on social distancing for employees and business-critical visitors.

- **OR Business: Small Business Resource Navigator**: Information and links on federal, state, and local financial assistance; workforce and employee assistance; state debt relief actions; and other resources including webinars, counseling, and links to state and federal resources.
- **Finance Programs**: Information on non-COVID-19 specific state programs.
- **OR SBDC: COVID-19 Business Resources**: Business response plans, information on SBA Disaster Loans, PPP, and other federal aid, and links to other state resources.
- **SAIF**: Oregon's non-profit workers compensation insurance company; homepage includes links to their Coronavirus Worker Safety Fund, FAQs on workers compensation, and other resources.
- **Coronavirus Worker Safety Fund**: To help pay for expenses tied to preventing the spread of coronavirus at businesses or mitigating other coronavirus-related costs.
- **Coronavirus and workers’ compensation**: FAQs for employers on safety, compensation, policies, and payroll.
- **OR Dept of Revenue: COVID-19 Tax Relief Options**: Information on tax extensions, deferrals, and other relief programs and guidance to local governments.
- **Oregon Health Authority: COVID-19**: status, prevention, and testing information, as well as guidance regarding executive orders and resources for the community.
- **OHA Guidance for Employers**: Note: OR Executive Order 20-12 requires businesses where telework is not available designate an employee to establish, implement, and enforce OHA guidance on social distancing for employees and business-critical visitors.
- **Oregon State Chamber: OSCC Resource Guide**: state and federal resources, including an [Estimated Disaster Economic Injury Worksheet for Businesses](https://employment.oregon.gov).

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**Pennsylvania (updated 04/24/20)**

- **PA Governor: Responding to COVID-19**: Information on status, mitigation efforts, closure requirements, homemade masks, unemployment and financial help for individuals, guidance for specific groups, and links to other state resources.
- **Gov Stay at Home Order**: March 23 through May 8 (extended from April 30): [As of April 1](https://www.governor.pa.gov/Coronavirus/Stay-at-Home-Order/), amended to statewide order to stay at home except for essential activities. [Guidance for Businesses](https://www.governor.pa.gov/Coronavirus/Guidance-for-Business/) states that the essential business list has been aligned with U.S. DHS Guidance.
- **PA Dept Health Worker Safety Order**: Issued April 15, effective on April 19 at 8 PM: Requires all businesses maintaining in-person operations follow listed requirements for COVID-19 prevention, including cleaning, disinfecting, protocols for potential or...
confirmed COVID-19 workplace exposure, staggered schedules, limited group meetings, and providing and requiring the use of masks while on the work site.

- Plan for Pennsylvania: Phased plan for reopening the economy. Will include guidance for individuals and employers, including protective equipment and monitoring.
- COVID-19 Resources for Businesses: Information on non-life-sustaining business closure, state and federal assistance, and links to other state COVID-19 resources.

- PA Department of Community and Economic Development Business Resources: offers information on Stay at Home, working capital loans that could be of assistance to businesses impacted by COVID-19.
  - Businesses: Information on employment compensation, Rapid Response information, local financial assistance partners, and other resources.
  - Employees & Workers Impacted: unemployment compensation information
  - Funding & Programs: Information on SBA assistance programs and PIDA Low-Interest Loans.
- PA Office of Unemployment Compensation: COVID-19: FAQs for employers as well as FAQs on worker's comp and UC benefits, as well as a page dedicated for impacted employees.
  - Information for impacted employees
- PA Dept of Revenue: Alert Details: Information on services and updates regarding filings, returns, appeals, and payments.
- Pennsylvania DOH Coronavirus Resources
  - Resources for Business Owners
- PA Chamber: Business Resources for Coronavirus: Information on Stay at Home Order, federal assistance, employment resources, and webinars.

**Rhode Island (updated 04/27/20)**

- Reopening RI: Information on phased reopening plan, to include health and safety requirements.
- RI Commerce: COVID-19: Business information clearinghouse. Includes information on business closures, applying for SBA Disaster Loans and hotline for assistance, FAQs on unemployment, capital, utility relief, rent relief, taxes, and other business support programs, and links to other state COVID-19 resources.
  - Business Guidelines During Crisis: Information on critical and non-critical retail businesses, guidelines for retail and grocers, requirements for all other businesses continuing operations, steps to protect workers, and CDC Social Distancing Guidelines.
  - Dept. of Business Regulations web form: for questions regarding business guidance.
  - Mask Requirement: RI E.O. 20-24 issued April 14 requires face masks for customer-facing businesses and office based businesses, as well as any other business category designated by the Dept. of Business Regulation. RI DBR Face Covering Guidance includes manufacturing in the list of businesses included, as well as "all other businesses continuing in-person operations where DBR has not granted an exemption". Businesses must, at their expense, provide employees with a cloth face covering that covers the nose and mouth, or the materials to create a face covering. Manufacturing workers may be exempted when wearing a face covering would negatively impact the safety of the worker or lead to an
increased risk of harm to them or others. Customers should be reminded to wear face coverings but not prohibited entry solely for lacking a face covering.

- **RI Executive Order 20-14**: Effective March 30 through May 8 (extended from April 13 by RI E.O. 20-23): All non-critical retail businesses to cease in-person operations. Critical Retail Businesses (as of 03/28/19) includes industrial, construction, and agricultural/seafood equipment and supply stores, and auto repair and supply. Any employer with employees living in other states must use all means available to enable telework. Any person living in RI who works in another state and can work from home must do so, or self-quarantine when not at work.

- **RI Executive Order 20-09**: Effective March 23, closes certain recreation and entertainment establishments and close-contact businesses. All public and private enterprises remaining open shall post appropriate notices requiring compliance with recommendations by the US Centers for Disease Control and the Director of Rhode Island Department of Health, and implement CDC guidance on social distancing.

  - [Emergency Grants and Funding](#): Information on SBA Disaster Loans and PPP, bridge loans for micro-businesses with 10 or less employees, grants for businesses in underserved communities, and local financing resources.

- **RI Dept. of Business Regulation**: Homepage includes links to the RI DBR List of Critical Retail Businesses, guidelines for large retailers and grocery stores, and a web form for questions or concerns about working or operating businesses.

- **RI Division of IT: COVID-19 IT Resources**: Links to free Office 365 tools, contact information for IT assistance.

- **RI Dept of Labor and Training**: Homepage has a factsheet regarding COVID-19 and unemployment and links for applying for unemployment insurance.

  - [COVID 19: Unemployment Workplace Fact Sheet](#)

- **RI Division of Taxation: COVID 19 Information**: Information on delayed deadlines for certain tax filings; will be updated with further developments.

- **RI DOH: Coronavirus Disease**: status updates, information on quarantines, health insurance, school and child care, medical donations, and links to other state resources.

- **RI Governor: Executive Orders Newsroom**

**South Carolina (updated 04/28/20)**

- **SC Dept. of Commerce: COVID-19 Business Resource Center**: Business information clearinghouse. Emergency Support Function email contact line, information on non-essential closures, copious information on SBA Disaster Loans, Paycheck Protection Loans, and the CARES Act; insurance and tax assistance, unemployment resources, professional licensing, and health updates, along with links to Executive Orders and other state and federal resources.

  - [Non-Essential Business Listing](#): currently restricted to entertainment venues and facilities, recreational and athletic facilities, close-contact service providers, and certain listed retail stores. Other businesses must limit customers, ensure social distancing and implement sanitation methods.
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- **SC Dept Commerce: Recycling Markets Webinar Forum**: April 2 Webinar discussing recyclers' needs and helpful resources for business and recycling markets during the COVID-19 pandemic. Recorded and available to watch on demand. [Recycling in SC](#)
- **SC Department of Employment and Workforce**: Links to unemployment claim resources and news and announcements.
  - **SC DEW COVID-19 Resource Hub**: split into [Employer Resource Hub](#) and [Jobseekers Resource Hub](#).
  - **COVID-19 & Unemployment Insurance Benefits FAQs**
- **SC Dept. of Revenue: COVID-19**: Information on filing extension to June 1, 2020, taxpayer services, and an email list updates subscription.
  - **SC Information Letter #20-3**
- **SC Governor's Office: Recent News**: Press releases on executive actions and [Executive Orders](#).
  - **SC E.O. 2020-28**: April 20: Authorizes reopening of retail stores previously ordered to close; retail businesses must continue to follow restrictions on occupancy, social distancing, and sanitation. Retail stores must limit customers to 5 customers per 1,000 square feet, or 20% of the fire marshal occupancy limit, whichever is less, and follow social distancing and CDC and other state and federal sanitation guidelines. All businesses are urged to facilitate effective social distancing practices and work from home practices
  - **SC E.O. 2020-21**: Home or Work: Effective April 7 at 5 PM: Residents and visitor to limit movements outside of their residence to engaging in Essential Businesses, Essential Activities, or Critical Infrastructure Operations. Critical Infrastructure Operations references U.S. DHS Guidance. Lists "non-essential" businesses that must close access to the public. Includes requirements for other retail stores and recommendations for all businesses. Supersedes [Executive Order 2020-18](#).
- **South Carolina Emergency Management Division**: General information on state COVID-19 efforts.
- **SC DHEC Coronavirus page**: Health information, including monitoring and testing.
  - **SC DHEC Guidance for Businesses and Employers**: State and CDC guidance for businesses.
    - **COVID-19 Re-Opening Guidance for Businesses**: Recommends avoiding sharing indoor space or encouraging face coverings if such is essential; asking symptomatic employees to stay home, not requiring negative testing to return to work, social distancing, hygiene and cleaning, and following CDC Guidance.
    - **Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers**: Recommendations on screening, leave policies, flexible policies for high risk employees, posters at entrances and workplace areas, hygiene and cleaning, and steps to take before traveling.
    - **Guidance on Face Coverings**: Public guidance; stresses that face coverings do not replace social distancing and hand washing.
- **SC Dept. of Insurance: COVID-19**: Information on health insurance coverage and screenings
  - **Business Interruption Insurance Coverage and the Coronavirus (COVID-19)**
- **SC Chamber COVID-19 Resources**: Includes an email for COVID-19 inquiries, virtual events, and links to state and federal resources.

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South Dakota (updated 04/28/20)

- **COVID-19 in South Dakota**: State information clearinghouse. Case updates, community impact map, prevention and testing information, and guidance for communities.
- **SD Office of Economic Development: COVID-19**: Information on state and federal financial assistance, links to other state business resources.
  - Gov Noem's Small Business Relief Fund: up to $75,000 for qualifying businesses with less than 250 employees.
- **SD Dept Labor & Regulation: COVID-19 Resources**: Information on the CARES and Families First Acts for employers, reemployment assistance, workers' compensation, and other resources.
- **SD Dept Revenue: Latest News**: no specific COVID-19 page
- **SD Governor: Press Releases**: information on latest executive actions.
- **SD Dept Health: COVID-19 Updates**: status update and impact map, prevention recommendations, testing information, and community guidance and resources.

Tennessee (updated 04/29/20)

- **TN Governor's Office: Coronavirus Information and Resources**
  - **Reopening TN Responsibly**: Information on reopening process and guidelines for businesses, retail, and other sectors.
    - **General Guidelines for Businesses**: Recommended protocols for all businesses. Include allowing employees to work from home as much as possible, screening questions, cleaning and disinfection practices, social distancing and modified scheduling, signage on health policies, and guidelines for employees including wearing cloth face coverings.
    - **Retail Guidelines**: In addition to general guidelines, recommends face coverings for employees and customers, training on PPE, sanitizing stations, increased social distancing and hygiene, dedicated hours for vulnerable populations, customer traffic patterns, dedicated staff to prompt customers on social distancing, barriers between customers and clerks, and prohibiting the use of reusable bags.
  - **TN Executive Order No. 30**: Return to Work: Effective April 29 through May 29: Encourages persons to return to work consistent with Order provisions and health guidelines. Supersedes past orders.
    - All businesses are strongly urged to allow remote work to the greatest extent practicable.
    - Individuals, including employees or customers of businesses, are strongly urged to wear cloth face coverings in public settings where being in close proximity to others is anticipated.
    - All employees and businesses are expected to operate in accordance with, and to fulfill the spirit of, operational guidance issued by the Governor's Economic Recovery Group. If an employer, business, or industry does not operate in a safe manner, or if health outcomes demonstrate a business or sector is unable to be operated in a sufficiently safe manner, the Governor and/or other applicable state officials may issue additional health and safety orders as appropriate.
Employers shall not require or allow employees with COVID-19 to work until they have satisfied CDC conditions for discontinuing home isolation. Continues closure of certain close contact, entertainment, and similar businesses. Allows Davidson, Hamilton, Knox, Madison, Shelby, and Sullivan counties to issue additional restrictions or permissions for businesses.

- TN Executive Order No. 22: Stay Home: April 1 through April 30 (extended from April 14 by TN E.O. No. 27): Non-essential businesses shall not be open for access or use by the public or its members. Superseded by E.O. 30.
  - 04/20: Safer at Home Expiring April 30: States that the Stay at Home Order will be allowed to expire, with the "vast majority" of businesses allowed to reopen on May 1, with some slated to open on April 27.

- TN Dept. Economic & Community Development: COVID-19: Information on SBA Disaster Loans and PPP, webinars for SBA Loan Inquiries, state unemployment claims, emergency cash assistance for families, and links to other state information.
- TN Dept. Labor & Workforce Development: COVID-19 Response and Resources: Includes Unemployment Process Table and links to additional information.
  - COVID-19 Unemployment for Employers: Mass layoff list, mass claims, and other important information.
  - COVID-19 Unemployment for Employees
  - COVID-19 FAQs
- TN Dept. of Revenue COVID-19 Updates: franchise and excise tax filing and payment extensions to July 15, as well as other filing extensions and relief efforts.
  - Natural Disaster Tax Relief Available: for those businesses located in a designated disaster area, the Department of Revenue has extended the franchise and excise tax and Hall income tax filing and payment deadlines to July 15, 2020.
- Launch Tennessee: COVID-19 Updates and Resources: links to health resources and various federal, state, and local business resources, webinars, and weekly news updates.
- Jobs4TN.Gov: Unemployment services.
- TN Dept. of Health: Coronavirus Disease - Health information.
- TN Chamber: COVID-19 Business Resources: Links and information for employers on state and federal financial assistance and other issues; includes a sign up for email alerts.

Texas (updated 04/28/20)
- Open Texas: Information on reopening process with links to Minimum Recommended Health Protocols.
  - TX Executive Order GA-18: Phase 1 to Open Texas: Issued April 27, Effective through May 15: Requires public minimize social gatherings and in-person contact except to provide or obtain essential services or reopened services. Essential Services includes U.S. DHS Guidance and essential services added with the approval of the TX Div. of Emergency Management.
  - Beginning May 1, Reopened Services include in store retail services (with 25% capacity limit) and various recreational / entertainment businesses, as well as
future designated services. Limitations on Reopened Services shall not apply to essential services.

- Essential and Reopened Services should follow minimum standard health protocols recommended by TX DSHS and implement social distancing, work from home if possible, and practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation.
- Individuals are encouraged to wear appropriate face coverings, but no jurisdiction can impose penalties for failure to wear such.
  - **Checklist for All Individuals**: Requires 6 ft. distancing, or using face coverings, hygiene, and cleaning if such is not feasible. Provides self-screening checklist before going into a business. Recommends cloth face coverings and hand washing when entering a business.
  - **Checklist for All Employers**: Requires training all employees on hygiene and cleaning, screening employees before coming into the business, return to work requirements, social distancing, hygiene, cleaning, and signage requirements, and considering having all employees wear face coverings.
  - **Checklist for Retailers**: Encourages dedicated hours for at-risk customers, monitoring customers to clean surfaces when they leave, and contactless payment / contact minimization. Includes training, screening, social distancing, cleaning, and signage requirements, and face covering recommendations, similar to Checklist for All Employers.
  - **Checklist for Retail Customers**: Self-screening, social distancing, hygiene, and face covering recommendations.

- **Texas Governor - Coronavirus**: State information clearinghouse. Includes information on what to do if you're sick, resources for small businesses, employers, and job seekers, and news updates.
  - **TX Executive Order GA-14**: April 2 through April 30: Except when necessary to provide or obtain essential services, every person must minimize social gatherings and in-person contact with people who are not in the same household. Essential Services includes U.S. DHS Guidance and essential services added with the approval of the TX Div. of Emergency Management. Essential Services should follow Guidelines from the President and the CDC on hygiene, environmental cleanliness, sanitation, social distancing, and working from home if possible. Preempts local orders on essential services and gatherings.
    - **TDEM Essential Services** page includes a request for determination if you have determined your business is not covered by the U.S. DHS Guidance and is not a church/congregation/house of worship.
    - **TX E.O. GA-17**: Strike Force to Open Texas: Strike Force will make recommendations on safely reopening businesses across a variety of sectors in a strategic, healthy, and productive manner.
    - **TX E.O. GA-16**: 1st Step to Open Texas: nonessential retail; superseded by E.O. GA-18.

- **TWC: COVID-19 Resources for Employers**: Includes an email update sign-up, info on unemployment benefits, taxes, precautions for employers, mass claims and shared work programs, and child care and early learning information.
  - **TWC: COVID-19 Resources for Job Seekers**: Information for impacted employees.
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- **Texas Economic Development: COVID-19 for Small Businesses**: Includes email updates sign up, information on SBA and other federal assistance programs, and links to other state resources.
- **TX Comptroller - COVID-19 News**: Information on taxes and a contact hotline.
- **TX DSHS COVID-19**: Health and testing information and prevention tips, as well as guidance on how to re-open safely for both employees and customers.
- **TX Association of Business COVID-19 Resources**: Links to federal and state guidance documents and notices.

**Utah (updated 04/29/20)**
- **UT Coronavirus page**: Central information clearinghouse.
  - **Utah Leads Together**: Plan to gauge success in reopening Utah's economy. Version 2 of the plan includes recommendations for actions businesses and citizens can take during each of the response phases.
    - **Color-Coded Health Guidelines**: Phased guidelines based on color-coded risk levels. Tiered Recommendations for Businesses (page 8) include guidance on use of face coverings, travel, screening, work from home, social distancing, hygiene and cleaning. Pages 9-10 provide enhanced recommendations for retail, including signage and enhanced social distancing, hygiene and cleaning, and face covering guidance. Page 14 provides enhanced recommendations for manufacturing, including providing additional hand washing stations, guidance on face coverings and gloves, and cleaning and disinfecting of project sites, high touch surfaces, and tools.
  - **Utah Stay Safe, Stay Home Directive**: Effective through May 1: “Minimum standards” for which localities may go beyond. The Governor specifically says in the executive order that it is NOT a shelter-in-place directive, and it does NOT require any business to cease operations. Includes directives for individuals and businesses.
    - Individuals directives include: self-isolate after exposure to COVID-19, follow social and physical distancing, wear cloth face coverings in public accommodations and whenever social distancing is not possible, hygiene and cleaning, and limiting travel.
    - Business directives include: Proactively implementing policies and best practices; requiring remote work where feasible; requiring symptomatic employees to stay home; enhanced social distancing with groups of no more than 10; enabling employees to follow individual directives, including by providing hygiene supplies; implementing flexible work hours, and accommodating high-risk individuals.
  - **UT Coronavirus Business Resources**: Economic Rapid Response Team contact form and information on federal, state, and local assistance resources, best practices for prevention, remote work plans, and other state resources.
    - **Utah Economic Resource Finder**: Tool to determine the best federal, state, and local resources for your business
    - **Best Practices**: Information on CDC Guidelines.
  - **UT GOED: Coronavirus**: Information on SBA Disaster Loans, outdoor recreation, broadband access, and updates.

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- **UT Dept. Workforce Services: COVID-19**: Information on unemployment insurance, child care, and other assistance for workers.
  - Unemployment Insurance FAQs for Employees
  - Unemployment Insurance FAQs for Employers
  - Rapid Response Services
- **UT Small Business Development Council: COVID-19**: Tips for businesses to weather COVID-19, information on SBA programs and other federal, state, and local assistance actions.
- **Salt Lake City COVID-19 Business Resources**
  - Salt Lake City’s Emergency Loan Program: as of 04/07, not accepting applications.
  - Salt Lake City Business Impact Survey

**Vermont (updated 04/27/20)**
- **VT Agency Commerce & Community Development: COVID-19 Resource Center**: Newsletter signup, links to resources for businesses, individuals, and communities, and current news on state actions and closure order.
  - Update on New Work Safe Additions to the Stay Home, Stay Safe Order: Information on mandatory Health and Safety requirements for all businesses as well as information on phased reopening and preliminary business reopening. Modifications and new sections are marked in red. Health and Safety Requirements include strict social distancing, face coverings when in the presence of others, hygiene and cleaning, no more than 2 people in one vehicle when conducting work, pre-screening, signage, requirements for symptomatic workers, and a requirement for a designated health and safety officer.
    - VT E.O. 01-20 Addendum 10: Work Smart & Stay Safe: Effective April 17 through May 15: Initial Health and Safety Requirements for all businesses.
    - VT E.O. 01-20 Addendum 11: Work Smart & Stay Safe - Phase II. Effective April 24 through May 15: Expands upon health and safety requirements.
    - Phase 1: Effective April 20, allows non-critical outdoors workers as well as manufacturing and distribution operations according to listed requirements.
    - Phase 2: Effective April 27: Allows outdoor retail spaces and libraries to reopen
  - Sector Specific Guidance: additional details for specific business sectors.
  - VT Executive Order 01-20 Addendum 6: Stay Home / Stay Safe: March 25 at 5 PM through May 15 (extended from April 15 by VT E.O. 01-20 ADD 9): All businesses not providing "services or functions deemed critical to public health and safety, as well as economic and national security" to suspend in person operations. Critical businesses include recycling (subsection 6.j).
    - Financial Assistance: Information on SBA PPP, Disaster Loans, and Debt Relief.
    - Stay Home Stay Safe Guidance: FAQs, sector specific guidance, and a contact form for requests for additional guidance.
    - Unemployment Information: FAQs on temporary and permanent closures.
    - Estimated Business Impacts Survey: To understand and document impacts.
- **VT Dept of Labor: COVID-19 Information**: Industry updates, FAQ's, and information for employees and employers
  - COVID-19 FAQs on Unemployment

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- COVID-19 Unemployment Resources for Employers
- COVID-19 Unemployment Resources for Employees

**VT Dept of Financial Regulation: COVID-19 Dept Updates:** Updates on actions regarding financing and insurance.
  - **DFR encourages insurance carriers** to be flexible with premium payment plans and premium deposit requirements for businesses that are temporarily closed.
  - COVID-19 and Business Income Insurance
  - NAIC Guidance on COVID-19 and Insurance

**VT Dept of Taxes: Coronavirus Update:** Information on deadline extensions and relief for late filings and payments, federal actions, and scams related to stimulus payments.

**VT Economic Development Authority - COVID-19 News:** Information on SBA financing; asks to watch page for updates.

**VT Governor's Office:** Press Releases and Executive Orders

**VT SBDC: Coronavirus & Your Business:** Information on advising services, links to state and federal resources.
  - VT SBDC Disaster Recovery Guide for Businesses: checklists, to-do lists, and worksheets to keep information in one place.

**VT Public Health Response: COVID-19:** Hotline, status updates, FAQs on COVID-19 and prevention, and guidance for specific groups.
  - Health & Safety Tips for Essential Businesses: General tips on PPE, hygiene, cleaning, and sanitation, and social distancing.
  - Signs and Symbols: Collection of signs and symbols to assist communication.

**Local Resources**

**Virginia (updated 04/24/20)**

**Virginia.gov: Coronavirus in Virginia:** Central response page; includes information on business closures, SBA Disaster Loans, support for affected workers and support for impacted employers, tax deferrals and extensions, utility information, and news releases on latest updates.
  - VA Executive Order 55 (2020): March 30 through June 10: Stay at Home; permissible reasons to leave include traveling to and from work. Prohibits gatherings of more than 10; does not apply to businesses not required to close under VA Executive Order 53.
  - VA Executive Order 53 (2020): From March 25 through May 8 (extended from April 23): closes public access to recreational and entertainment businesses; non-essential RETAIL businesses must limit all in-person shopping to no more than 10 patrons per establishment. All businesses must adhere to social distancing recommendations, enhanced sanitizing practices, and other federal and state workplace guidance.
  - Support for Businesses: Information on SBA Disaster Loans, regional workforce teams to support employers that slow or cease operations, Rapid Response funding for employers eligible to remain open, and tax deferments and extensions.
  - State Corporation Commission (SCC) issued an order directing utilities to suspend service disconnections for 60 days to provide immediate relief for any customer, residential and business, who may be financially impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak.
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- **VA SBDC: COVID-19 Resources**: Information on advising services, federal assistance programs, FAQs, guidance for specific businesses, webinars, and contact information.
- **VA 30 Day Fund**: Non-profit providing forgivable loans for small businesses to meet payroll, preserve healthcare coverage for employees and save jobs while waiting for federal funding.
- **VA Dept Labor & Industry: COVID-19 Resources**: General information, updates on executive order, webinar information, and links to other state and federal resources.
- **VA Tax: Coronavirus Updates**: Information on relief actions, including filing extensions and penalty waivers for sales taxes and income taxes.
- **VDH: COVID-19 in Virginia**: Health information and situation summary.
  - **VDH Business Guidance**: Includes recommendations on cleaning and prevention, possible exposures to COVID-19, and strategies for respirator shortages.
- **VA Governor's Newsroom**: Press releases on latest executive actions.
- **VA Chamber: COVID-19 Resource Center**: Information on upcoming and past webinars, state and federal actions, and other resources.
- **Roanoke: COVID-19/Coronavirus Business Assistance**

Washington (updated 05/05/20)

- **ISRI's COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: Information on Stay Home Order through May 31, reopening phases and recovery plan, and health and safety requirements for businesses.
- **WA State COVID-19 Response**: Information on Stay Home, Stay Healthy, daily updates, information for specific groups, and latest news.
  - **Business & Workers**: Business information clearinghouse, with information on webinars, closures, CARES Act and stimulus package, unemployment, paid leave, taxes, financial assistance, insurance information, and links to federal, state, and local resources.
    - **Seattle: 2020 Emergency Fund for Businesses Impacted by COVID-19**: Up to $10,000 grant for businesses with 5 employees or less.
- **StartUp Washington**: COVID-19 Resources: Links to state and federal financial assistance and other resources, including Working Washington Small Business Emergency Grant Program, SBA financial assistance, export credit insurance, and small business tools.
- **Governor's Office: COVID-19 Resource List for Impacted Businesses and Workers**: Includes information on tax extensions, penalty waivers, and loan sources; export assistance; employer and worker assistance; and insurance assistance.
  - **COVID-19 Business Information**: FAQs on employment security programs, unemployment insurance, government funding, and other issues.
- **WA Dept Revenue: COVID-19 Business Relief**: Information on payment plans and extensions by request, as well as business license late fee waivers and contact information to request relief.
- **WA DOH: COVID-19 Information**: Status updates, testing information, and call center.
  - **Workplace and Employer Resources and Recommendations**
• **Washington Chamber: COVID-19 Resources for Employers**: Links to multiple state resources, divided by issue impact.

**West Virginia (updated 05/05/20)**

• **ISRI’s COVID-19 State Reopening and H&S Updates**: West Virginia is under a Safer at Home Order with non-essential business closures until lifted; the West Virginia Strong plan allows for limited reopenings on a week by week basis. Essential businesses and others allowed to operate must follow health and safety requirements and guidance.

• **WV Dept Health: COVID-19**: Status update, hotline, updates, and health FAQs.
  - **WV Safer at Home**: Link to full executive order, FAQs, and an overview of changes.
  - **Guidance for the Public**: Guidance for various groups, including businesses.

• **WV Development Office: COVID-19 Business Relief Resources**: Business information clearinghouse: information on financial resources, labor laws, insurance, tax, worker safety, connectivity resources, and other state and federal resources.
  - **Financial**: SBA assistance and CARES Act guidance, SBDC links, and other info.
  - **Labor**: Links to federal and state guidance, including the WorkforceWV COVID-19 page with information on unemployment updates and FAQs for employees and employers.
  - **Insurance**: health and business interruption insurance information
  - **Taxes**: tax extensions and relief.

• **WV Tax Dept: COVID-19 Response**: information on services and special tax filing and payment relief to individuals and corporations.

• **Senator Manchin: COVID-19 What WV Need to Know**: Information on testing locations, prevention, and for individual communities, including information on SBA assistance and other federal actions, federal taxes, and WV utility responses regarding disconnections and late fees.
  - **Business Assistance**: SBA Disaster Loans, Economic Injury Grants, Paycheck Protection Program Loans, Small Business Debt Relief Program, CARES tax provisions, etc.

• **WV Governor: News**: Information on closures, executive orders, and response.

**Wisconsin (updated 04/28/20)**

• **Badger Bounce Back**: Information on emergency orders and recovery efforts.
  - **WI Emergency Order #31**: Badger Bounce Back: Announces 3-Phase Reopening approach and outlines business requirements during each phase.
  - **WI Emergency Order #28**: Effective April 24, extends Safer at Home Order to May 26 or until a superseding order is issued. Recycling is included as Essential Infrastructure. Includes safe business practices for Essential Businesses and for Essential Retailers; requires businesses that are essential because they supply other businesses only continue operations necessary to those businesses they supply.
    - Essential Businesses must comply with social distancing requirements to the extent possible, restrict workers to no more than is strictly necessary to perform the essential operation, increase standards of facility cleaning and disinfection to limit worker and patron exposure to COVID-19, and adopt policies to prevent workers from entering if they display respiratory symptoms or have had contact with a person with a confirmed diagnosis.
- Essential Retailers must limit establish lines to regulate entry. Retailers with 50,000 sq. ft or less must limit occupancy to 25% of capacity. Retailers with more than 50,000 sq. ft. must limit occupancy to 4 people per 1,000 sq. ft. of customer space and offer at least 2 hrs. per week of dedicated shopping time for vulnerable populations.
- Businesses considered Essential under Section 13.r. (recycling is covered under Section 10. Essential Infrastructure, and Section 13.a. CISA List) that sell, manufacture, or supply other essential businesses and operations with support or supplies necessary to operate may only perform operations necessary to supply essential goods or services; any non-essential goods or services may only continue as Minimum Basic Operations.
- Extension FAQs: overview of extension and changes.
  - WI Emergency Order #12: March 25 to April 24: Non-essential stay at home except for minimum basic operations; essential businesses to comply with social distancing.
  - WDHS: COVID-19: General outbreak prevention information
  - WI DHS: COVID-19: Businesses, Employers, and Workers: Information on Safer at Home extension and guidance on signage, hygiene and cleaning, social distancing, and screening.
  - WI Economic Development Corporation: COVID-19 Business Resources: Contact information, updates, information on Essential Business Declaration and closures, Small Business 20/20, federal assistance, and other financial and planning resources available for businesses
  - Small Business 20/20: Funds Community Development Financial Institutions to make grants to existing loan clients to mitigate short-term cash flow issues and protect jobs and public health in response to the Covid-19 outbreak
    - Rapid Response Process
  - WI Dept Revenue: COVID-19 News: Includes news releases on tax filing and payment extensions and requests for extensions to file sales and use tax returns.
  - WI Governor: Press Releases and Executive Orders

Wyoming (updated 04/27/19)
  - Employer Resources: contact information for technical assistance, finance checklist, information on SBA Disaster Loans, Paycheck Protection Program, and other federal resources, business best practices, HR assistance, and securing your supply chain.
  - Employee Resources: Information on health coverage and child care, unemployment benefits, and financial relief for impacted individuals.
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- **WY Dept of Workforce Services: COVID-19**: Steps employers should take, information on unemployment insurance & workers' comp, contact information, and other state resources.
- **WY Women's Business Center: COVID-19 Resources**: Comprehensive list of links to state and federal resources for financial assistance, workforce services, taxes,
- **WY SBDC: COVID-19 Resources for Small Businesses**: Contact form for free local advisor services, webinars, information on state and federal loans and changes to payroll and taxes, resources for specific industry sectors, and protection and preparation guides.
- **WY Dept of Revenue**: Homepage includes a statement on penalties and interest.
- **WY Governor**: News and Executive Orders
- **WY Health: COVID-19**: Information on Health Dept. responses, status updates, and prevention recommendations.