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*Please note resources and updates are evolving rapidly.*

### **Resources**

- The latest Paycheck Protection Program [FAQs are here \(updated as of May 3, 2020\)](#).
  - The update is related, in part, to Question 40 and the forgiveness and rehiring of employees.
- SBA will begin accepting new [Economic Injury Disaster Loan \(EIDL\)](#) and EIDL Advance applications to provide relief to U.S. agricultural businesses.
  - Eligible agricultural businesses may apply for the Loan Advance [here](#).

### **State Updates**

- Ohio's COVID-19 case data is below; more data is available on the COVID-19 Dashboard [here](#).
  - 19,609 confirmed cases
  - 865 probable cases
  - 20,474 total cases
  - 3,809 hospitalizations
  - 975 confirmed deaths
  - 81 probable deaths
  - 1,056 total deaths
  - 1,090 ICU admissions
- Governor DeWine provided an update on Ohio's plan for increased COVID-19 testing.
  - With new increased testing capacity, Ohio will prioritize testing in three groups and additional guidance is [here](#).
- Employers: per the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services, please visit <https://unemploymenthelp.ohio.gov/employer/> and click on the "Return to Work Guidelines."
- Governor DeWine signaled Ohio's restaurants may be allowed to re-open "not too long" after retailers are allowed to re-open on May 12; please note two separate advisory groups are convening to discuss recommendations and best practices when reopening dine-in restaurants, and personal service locations (hair salons, barbershops, etc.) throughout the state.
- Lt. Governor Husted announced that, although opening dates for individual locations have not yet been finalized, Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) deputy registrars around the state may begin reopening as early as later this month.
  - Upon reopening, every deputy registrar will offer online the Ohio BMV's Get In Line program that was [launched by Governor DeWine and Lt. Governor Husted as a pilot project last year](#).

- Below are recommendations for water supply flushing for reopening of buildings under the statewide COVID-19 transition plan, and guidance for premise plumbing water service restoration.
  - Water supply flushing is [here](#).
  - Premise plumbing water service restoration is [here](#).
- Senate President Obhof stated his four priorities for the first full week of May are to get federal dollars into the hands of local governments, [add money to the near-bankrupt state unemployment fund](#), make it easier for pharmacists to adjust patient medications and limit liability for businesses that might accidentally expose employees and customers to COVID-19.
- The House Economic Recovery Task Force met Monday, with testimony provided by witnesses representing the hair salon, plumbing, building security, restaurant and athletic training industries with some raising concerns over the legality of and continued need for restrictions related to COVID-19.
- The House Democratic Caucus Friday [released](#) some of their priority issues.

### Federal Updates

- See here for latest statistics on the Paycheck Protection Program: [PPP Report: Second Round](#).
- The Small Business Administration said it has [allotted over half](#) of the \$310 billion in a key coronavirus relief fund in less than a week, setting expectations that it may run dry this week.
- The Treasury Department will borrow [a record-breaking \\$3 trillion](#) between April and June as it moves to dispense emergency relief for the coronavirus pandemic.

### Additional Federal Guidance (as of May 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.):

- **HHS** - COVID-19 Funding Available to Minority, Rural and Socially Vulnerable Communities for Linkages to Services, Information and Education ([Click here](#))
- **HHS** - HHS Begins Distribution of Payments to Hospitals with High COVID-19 Admissions, Rural Providers ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-FEMA** - Coronavirus Pandemic Response: PPE Packages for Nursing Homes ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-FEMA** - FEMA Announces Supplemental Funding Through CARES Act ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-FEMA** - Coronavirus Pandemic: FEMA Assistance for Tribal Governments ([Click here](#))
- **DHS-FEMA** - Coordinated Efforts Bring Battelle Units to National Capital Region ([Click here](#))
- **Treasury** - Treasury Announces Marketable Borrowing Estimates ([Click here](#))
- **SBA** - SBA to Make Economic Injury Disaster Loans Available to U.S. Agricultural Businesses Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic ([Click here](#))
- **USDA** - Secretary Perdue Statement on Economic Injury Disaster Loans Being Available to U.S. Agricultural Businesses Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic ([Click here](#))
- **DOL** - U.S. Department of Labor Issues Additional Guidance About Short-Time Compensation Program Provisions ([Click here](#))
- **CDC** - Operational Considerations for Personal Protective Equipment in the Context of Global Supply Shortages for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic: non-US Healthcare Settings ([Click here](#))
- **CDC** - COVID-19 Contact Tracing Training Guidance and Resources ([Click here](#))

- **CMS** - CMS Announces Independent Commission to Address Safety and Quality in Nursing Homes ([Click here](#))
- **DOL** - COVID-19 Guidance for Restaurants & Beverage Vendors Offering Takeout or Curbside Pickup ([Click here](#))
- **DOL** - U.S. Department of Labor Invites the Public to Participate in National Online Dialogue on Opening America's Workplaces Again ([Click here](#))
- **DOL** - U.S. Department of Labor Issues New COBRA Notices for Employee Benefit Plans ([Click here](#))
- **HUD** - HUD Allocates Second Wave of Relief Funds, over Half a Billion Dollars to Help Protect Low-Income Americans ([Click here](#))

### Local Updates

- Mayor Frank Jackson laid out plans Monday for nearly \$30 million in aid for Cleveland businesses and residents. The aid includes \$10 million from Cleveland's economic development funds and about \$18 million from federal aid.

The business relief money, \$10.5 million in total, tentatively will be broken into three pots:

- \$5.5 million for restoring working capital. Large Companies with 30 or more employees would be able to borrow up \$100,000; smaller companies up to \$25,000. Money could be used to cover uncollected receipts, utilities, rent/mortgage and payroll.
- \$3 million for emergency working capital. This separate loan program would provide up to \$10,000 to small businesses to address cash flow issues and pay business costs.
- \$2 million in emergency capital for specially affected. This loan program targets small Cleveland-owned businesses such as restaurants, barber shops, salons and storefront retail sites where workers are in close contact with customers. Money can be used to address business costs and pay for items such as personal protective equipment for workers. The loans, up to \$20,000, are 50% forgivable.

The CARES Act assistance, part of a \$2-trillion relief package approved by Congress in March, is directed more at individual assistance:

- \$11.3 million for rental assistance for people who have lost their jobs. Rental assistance has been the single largest source of calls to United Way, jumping 250% in a three-week period, Jackson said. The aid will be available for up to 90 days.
- \$4.2 million to help meet basic needs. This aid would be used for support for Food Banks, food delivery, senior services and utility assistance.
- \$2.5 million to assist special needs. This money would be used to assist people with AIDS and people using homeless shelters. It also could be used to defray costs at shelters for sanitation, alternative housing and additional staffing.
- \$500,000 for enhanced broadband services. While Cleveland schools have been closed because of the coronavirus crisis, many students have been using online programs to continue studies. But two of every three Cleveland school children don't have internet access, Jackson said. This money would be used to help develop a long-term solution to that problem, in partnership with Cleveland schools and Digital C, a nonprofit that promotes digital literacy.