



COVID-19 BUSINESS RESOURCE INFORMATION

There are resources available in the Northwest Colorado Region that can help businesses experiencing economic distress and/or disruption with SBDC consulting, technical assistance services and loan fund assistance. Businesses seeking technical assistance or consulting regarding how to prepare and/or recover during an economic disruption should contact the NW SBDC Director Erin McCuskey erin@northwestsbdc.org, Business Incubator Center (Mesa County) at (970) 243-5242, or West Central SBDC (Montrose and Delta) at (970) 765-3130. Rio Blanco services their County's small businesses with the RBC Small Business Development Center, call (970) 878-9582. Further assistance can be found in The Disaster Recovery and Continuity Guide for Colorado Businesses. [Download the guide here.](#)

AGNC is also working with other local and state partners for business assistance and will send more information as it becomes available. Below please find resources that may be helpful at the state and federal level.

The U.S. Small Business Administration

Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program

The SBA will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest loans to small businesses and non-profits that have been severely impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan program provides small businesses with working capital loans of up to \$2 million that can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing. [Learn more here.](#)

- [SBA Disaster Assistance in response to Coronavirus \(COVID-19\):](#)
- [The SBA Guidance for businesses and employers](#), including access to capital, workforce capacity, inventory and supply chain shortfalls, and export assistance.

The SBA has created a [clearinghouse of information](#) including resources on the following:

- Guidance for businesses and employers
- Access to capital
- Workforce capacity
- Inventory and supply chain shortfalls
- Export assistance

Find the SBA clearinghouse [here](#).

Colorado Department of Labor & Employment

Resources offered from CDLE:

- [Emergency Paid Leave Rule](#) - This rule is meant to limit the spread of highly contagious disease and enables workers in at-risk occupations to access testing.
- [Unemployment Insurance](#) - During layoffs, all employees are encouraged to apply for unemployment insurance. Those who are job-attached (meaning workers will be expected to return after a separation of up to 16 weeks) should file as "job-attached."
- [Work-Share Program](#) may allow certain employees who have had reduced hours to claim partial unemployment benefits.
- [Layoff/Separations](#)

Colorado Municipal League

The Colorado Municipal League has compiled a clearinghouse of [best practices and sample resources](#) including:

- Action/Response Plans
- Council Agendas
- Contagious disease policies
- Emergency Declarations/Orders
- Emergency Ordinances
- Municipal COVID-19

Find these resources [here](#).

Small Business Development Center

AGNC covers 3 SBDC regions, but SBDC is focusing on mass communication methods as much as possible.

The statewide SBDC information link is: www.coloradosbdc.org/covid

Please [SIGN UP](#) for our mailing list to receive COVID-19 business communications.

The SBDCs are not able to respond to the volume for individual consulting appointments right now, so specific to COVID-19 response, business owners are encouraged sign up for the mailing list and watch for that mass communication. Webinars and other resources will be available to assist, advertised via both the mass communications and website.

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The Disaster Recovery and Continuity Guide for Colorado Businesses was developed while working with Colorado businesses after the various fires, flooding and mudslides occurred around the state. It is designed as a working guide that will direct business owners and managers through the steps as you consider how to proceed post-disaster, as well as how to prepare for a possible threat or natural disaster. Download the guide here: <https://www.coloradosbdc.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2019/01/CSBDC-Business-Recovery-Guide.pdf>

Other Resources

- [Colorado Restaurant Association Policies and Protocols for the Colorado Restaurant Industry](#)
- [Environmental cleaning and disinfecting](#)
- [U.S. Department of Labor Offers Guidance for Preparing Workplaces for Coronavirus](#)
- [Pandemic Preparedness in the Workplace and the Americans with Disabilities Act.](#)
- [Division of Federal Employees' Compensation: Information on FECA Coverage for Coronavirus Disease](#)
- [Society for Human Resource Management: Coronavirus information and FAQs](#)

The State of Colorado has launched a new website with a breadth of informational resources and improved data visualization for COVID-19. The website will be the state's primary resource for information related to COVID-19 and will feature statewide coordinated response information.

The new website is covid19.colorado.gov

The new data visualization dashboard is covid19.colorado.gov/data. It features data on Colorado's COVID-19 testing results, including total test results completed, total positive results, positive cases by county, transmission type, and patient outcome, and number of hospitalizations and fatalities. The data will be updated daily around 4 p.m. This robust, automated, daily data source will replace news releases announcing this data.

Continue to stay up to date by visiting covid19.colorado.gov.