

## COVID-19 UPDATES FOR THE ALLEGANY COUNTY BUSINESSES COMMUNITY

Dear Members of the Allegany County Business Community,

Your local economic development team recognizes the tremendous impact that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) is having on Allegany County businesses. Already, we have seen you adapt, come together, make tough decisions, and show incredible generosity during these very uncertain times. Please be assured that we are working with our state and federal partners to address COVID-19's impact on your business. There are many resources that may be helpful to you which you can access by clicking on the underlined text:

[Maryland Department of Health](#): For health information about COVID-19, including background of the virus, virus prevention, identifying high risk citizens, and frequently asked health questions. Additional health partners/resources: [Allegany County Health Department](#), [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](#), and [UPMC Western Maryland](#)

[The Office of Governor Larry Hogan](#): For information from Governor Hogan's Administration about its COVID-19 response, including breaking news and live updates regarding business, school, and government closures.

[Maryland Department of Commerce](#): For answers to frequently asked business questions related to COVID-19 and information about employer and worker assistance, financial assistance and taxes, licensing, and permitting.

[Maryland Department of Labor](#): For answers to frequently asked questions about unemployment insurance benefits, temporary lay-offs, and discharges.

[U.S. Small Business Administration](#): For SBA disaster assistance in response to COVID-19, including information about low-interest federal disaster loans for working capital to small businesses suffering substantial economic injury as a result of COVID-19.

[Allegany County Tourism](#): For up-to-date tourism and travel information, including, event postponement and cancellations, destination and attraction availability, and restaurant carry-out and delivery options.

The situation is changing daily; we will provide regular updates to the business community. We encourage you to contact us at (301) 722-4173 and share your concerns, needs and challenges. You can also visit the website for each of our respective organizations by clicking on the appropriate emblem below. We will share with you currently available resources for assistance and also relay your input to local, state, and federal officials tasked with developing relief.

Sincerely,  
Paul J. Kelly, Jr., CEDC Executive Director

