

COVID-19 BUSINESS RESOURCES

PA Department of Community and Economic Development Business Resources

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During a press conference held on March 12, 2020, Governor Wolf strongly urged non-essential businesses in four Pennsylvania counties from the start of the county's mitigation period to protect employees, customers and suppliers and limit the spread of the virus on surfaces.

As of March 14, 2020, those counties include: Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery.

As a matter of public health, it is the Pennsylvania Department of Health's strong recommendation that businesses cease operations. The following types of businesses should temporarily cease regular operations:

- Community and recreation centers
- Gyms, including yoga/spin/barre facilities
- Hair salons, nail salons, and spas
- Casinos, concert venues, and theaters
- Bars
- Sporting events facilities and golf courses
- Non-essential retail facilities, including shopping malls (except for pharmacy or other health care facilities located therein)
- NOTE: Restaurants should stay open for carry-out and delivery only

Businesses have a vast network of services that they can contact to discuss the impact of the Coronavirus on their daily operations and business. Staff at the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), as well as local partners, are helping businesses through this challenging time.

The following is a list of contacts and resources that are available to assist affected businesses:

DCED (/)

Customer Service

- 1-866-466-3972
- [ra-dcedcs@pa.gov \(mailto:ra-dcedcs@pa.gov\)](mailto:ra-dcedcs@pa.gov)

Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority – Low-interest loans (<https://dced.pa.gov/programs/pennsylvania-industrial-development-authority/>)

- 717.783.5046
- **Find your Local Certified Economic Development Organizations (<https://dced.pa.gov/cedo/>)**

Business One Stop Shop (<http://www.business.pa.gov>)

- 1-833-722-6778

Partnerships for Regional Economic Performance (PREP) (<https://cedo.pa.gov/business-assistance/>)

[Find the contact information for the provider in your area \(https://dced.pa.gov/local-business-assistance/\)](https://dced.pa.gov/local-business-assistance/)

Industrial Resource Centers – For manufacturing businesses in the ↗ (<https://www.pamade.org/>)

Lead Office

- 570-329-3200 x8083

[Find a local center ↗ \(https://www.pamade.org/contact-us/\)](https://www.pamade.org/contact-us/)

PA Small Business Development Centers ↗ (<https://pasbdc.org/>)

Lead Office

- 1-877-472-7232

[Find your local SBDC ↗ \(https://pasbdc.org/centers\)](https://pasbdc.org/centers)

PA Department of Revenue (<https://www.revenue.pa.gov/>)

PA Department of Labor and Industry (<https://www.dli.pa.gov/>)

Department of Health (<https://www.health.pa.gov/>)

COVID information for businesses

(<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/Documents/Diseases%20and%20Conditions/Coronavirus%20Businesses%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>)

General COVID page (<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx>)

PA Chamber of Business and Industry [↗](https://www.pachamber.org/) (<https://www.pachamber.org/>)

(800) 225-7224

info@pachamber.org (<mailto:info@pachamber.org>)

Business resources for Coronavirus [↗](https://www.pachamber.org/coronavirus/) (<https://www.pachamber.org/coronavirus/>)

- Guidance for Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus (COVID-19) [↗](https://www.pachamber.org/assets/pdf/coronavirus/US_Chamber_Foundation_Guidance_for_Employers_to_Plan_and_Respond_to_Coronavirus.pdf)
(https://www.pachamber.org/assets/pdf/coronavirus/US_Chamber_Foundation_Guidance_for_Employers_to_Plan_and_Respond_to_Coronavirus.pdf)



Local Development Districts


- Find your Local Development District [↗](https://www.arc.gov/about/LocalDevelopmentDistrictsinPennsylvania.asp) (<https://www.arc.gov/about/LocalDevelopmentDistrictsinPennsylvania.asp>)

Strategic Early Warning Network [↗](https://www.steelvalley.org/sewn/) (<https://www.steelvalley.org/sewn/>)

- General Inquiries: 412-342-0534

Small Business Administration [↗](http://www.sba.gov/) (<http://www.sba.gov/>)

- [Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](https://www.businesses-employers-plan-respond-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19)  [_ \(https://www.businesses-employers-plan-respond-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19\)](https://www.businesses-employers-plan-respond-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19)
- [Disaster Loan Assistance](https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/Information/EIDLLoans)  [_ \(https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/Information/EIDLLoans\)](https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/Information/EIDLLoans)

[CDC Guidance for Businesses](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response)  [_ \(https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response\)](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response)
[CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fspecific-groups%2Fguidance-busi](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-business-response)

[IRS information on COVID](https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus)  [_ \(https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus\)](https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus)

Resources by County

 **Bucks County**

 **Chester County**

 **Delaware County**

 **Montgomery County**

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