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RE: COVID-19 - Updates from SCDC for Business Community Partners

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented all of us with challenges and difficult times never before experienced by our community, nor the world. Shelby County Development Corporation (SCDC) is committed to being available to serve our business community during these trying times. As we endeavor to help [flatten the curve](#) by complying with Governor Holcomb's [executive order](#) to stay home, we realize that manufacturing sector employers are basically shut down and local retail and restaurant establishments have experienced substantial declines in sales.

While we are abiding by Governor Holcomb's directives to stay-at-home, SCDC is actively working to be a resource for local business and industry and an advocate for the stability, and growth, of our local economy. To assist our business and community partners, SCDC has prepared the following list of resources that have become available in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

RESOURCES:

Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) -

IEDC—COVID-19 Updates & Resources <https://www.iedc.in.gov/response>

IEDC critical industries hotline is available to field business and industry questions regarding Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-08, which provides for essential and non-essential business operations, infrastructure and government functions while the state observes a stay-at-home order from March 25th - April 7th. The Critical Industries Hotline Center can be reached by calling **877-820-0890**.

IEDC COVID response email address for sharing comments, concerns and questions: covidresponse@iedc.in.gov The IEDC is constantly monitoring the inbox.

State of Indiana Coronavirus link: <https://www.in.gov/coronavirus/>

Indiana gener8tor Emergency Response Program:

<https://www.gener8tor.com/emergency-response-program>

Includes one-week virtual programs for small businesses affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. The programs feature daily webinars designed to identify, understand and help small businesses secure resources to withstand the current crisis.

Other State of Indiana resources:

Indiana State Department of Education (DOE) and Family and Social Services

Administration (FSSA) have teamed to encourage school corporations in Indiana to open schools on a limited basis to provide child care services for emergency workers and others who are working to keep communities safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

FSSA provided new guidance for childcare operators who are licensed by the state. Here is the link: <https://www.in.gov/fssa/carefinder/5761.htm>

Indiana DOE provided similar guidance to school corporations to care for the school age children of essential workers. The guidance provides specific steps for schools to take to open school facilities as well as how to maintain a safe environment.

<https://www.doe.in.gov/sites/default/files/news/child-care-recommendation-essential-personnel.pdf>

Resources for Small Businesses -

Indy Chamber Rapid Response Hub: [IC Rapid Response Hub](#)

SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans: Small businesses are eligible for financial assistance under a disaster designation by the [U.S. Small Business Administration](#). To apply for loans or receive more information about the Economic Injury Disaster Loan program, visit [SBA.gov/disaster](https://www.sba.gov/disaster).

Indiana Department of Workforce Development -

Indiana DWD landing page for all information on COVID-19 as it relates to workforce and unemployment insurance: [in.gov/dwd/19.htm](https://www.in.gov/dwd/19.htm)

Unemployment Benefits Information - (If your employees have taken any sort of reduced schedule, they are eligible for at least partial benefits)

FAQ: https://www.in.gov/dwd/files/Indiana_Unemployment_FAQ.pdf

Apply Here: <https://www.in.gov/dwd/3474.htm>

Governor Holcomb Executive Order (<https://www.in.gov/gov/2384.htm>) providing the Department of Workforce Development with broad authority to cover people out of work due to COVID-19

Webinar recording: [Indiana Unemployment Insurance Basics: What Impacted Hoosier Workers Need to Know](#)

Indiana Career Ready website: <https://www.indianacareerready.com/>

Employment Resources from WorkOne Region 5

WorkOne Contact for Shelby County:

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Purdue Manufacturing Extension Partnership -

[Purdue MEP COVID-19 Manufacturing Resource Page](#)

[Purdue MEP COVID-19 Manufacturing Community Discussion Forum](#)

Additional information regarding COVID-19 may be found at the **CDC website** at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

We hope everyone is safe and healthy as we work through this challenging time together. Although we are working from home during this time, we are available to help. Please do not hesitate to contact Shelby County Development Corporation if we can be of assistance in any way.

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