

Some updates and new resources for everyone. **Several deadlines coming up on May 29.** Most of these links and resources can also be found on our coronavirus resource page at: marshall.house.gov/coronavirus

PPP Forgiveness Application: The Small Business Administration has released the Paycheck Protection Program's Loan Forgiveness application, along with detailed instructions for the application. The form includes step-by-step instructions on how a borrower can confirm eligibility and begin the process for loan forgiveness. Additionally, it provides options for borrowers to calculate payroll costs using an "alternative payroll covered period" that aligns with regular payroll cycles, flexibility to include eligible payroll and non-payroll expenses that were incurred after receiving the PPP loan, and an exemption from the loan forgiveness reduction for borrowers who made good faith efforts to rehire workers that was declined. SBA and Treasury will soon be releasing more regulations and guidance for borrowers as they work through applications, as well as more guidance for lenders, but in the meantime the application and instructions can be found here: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/PPP-IFR-SBA-Loan-Review-Procedures-and-Related-Borrower-and-Lender-Responsibilities.pdf>

The Treasury has issued its Interim Final Rule on forgiveness. It can be accessed here: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/PPP-IFR-Loan-Forgiveness.pdf>

Main Street Lending Program: Federal Reserve Chairman Powell recently testified in front of the Senate Banking Committee and noted that the Main Street Lending Program is expected to be up and running in June. The Boston Fed will be responsible for managing the program on behalf of the Federal Reserve, and they have a website [here](#). The Fed also has more resources on the program [here](#), including a very comprehensive [FAQ](#), term sheets, and how to apply.

Additionally, the Federal Reserve will be hosting webinars for potential borrowers over the next few weeks:

May 29: <https://www.bostonfed.org/news-and-events/events/main-street-lending-program/20200529.aspx>

June 3: <https://www.bostonfed.org/news-and-events/events/main-street-lending-program/20200603.aspx>

USDA CFAP Opens for Applications: Starting today (May 26) the USDA's Coronavirus Food Assistance Program is now open for application from impacted producers. The application can be found [HERE](#). And more details about the program's eligibility and payment structure can be found here at <https://www.farmers.gov/cfap>. Producers will receive 80% of their payment now with the additional 20% distributed at a later date. Contact your FSA office for questions and assistance. Our office has created a quick one-page document to help producers easily access payment rates for both livestock and non-specialty crops:

https://marshall.house.gov/sites/marshall.house.gov/files/wysiwyg_uploaded/CFAP%20Payment%20Rates_0.pdf

USDA CFAP Food Box Program: The USDA's CFAP Farmers to Families Food Boxes is up and running and we want to make sure all communities have the resources they need to participate in the program. The Food Box program will distribute fresh meat, produce and dairy products from farms to communities. The USDA has approved distributors for each region. Here is a link for the region that includes the state of Kansas: <https://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food-to-usda/farmers-to-families-food-box/approved-contractors/mountain-plains> Non-profits, school and food banks can all work with approved distributors to be recipients in a community. This program can and should work with existing TFAP, food bank and community/summer feeding programs. *****If you need more details about the flexibilities announced by USDA for summer feeding programs (they were included in my last email update), I'm happy to resend.*****

EDA CARES Act Funding: The U.S. Department of Commerce has announced its CARES Act Recovery Assistance investments to support a wide range of planning and technical assistance, construction and non-construction activities, and support for Revolving Loan Funds in communities across the country experiencing severe economic dislocations brought about by the coronavirus pandemic. Examples of projects that EDA may fund through its CARES Act Recovery Assistance include economic recovery planning and preparing technical assistance strategies to address economic dislocations caused by the coronavirus pandemic, preparing or updating resiliency plans to respond to future pandemics, implementing entrepreneurial support programs to diversify economies, and constructing public works and facilities that will support economic recovery, including the deployment of broadband for purposes including supporting telehealth and remote learning for job skills.

You can learn more at: https://www.eda.gov/news/blogs/2020/05/01/spotlight.htm?utm_campaign=2020-May-Newsletter&utm_content=COVID-19&utm_medium=email&utm_month=May&utm_name=2020-May&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=newsletter&utm_year=2020

CDC Guidance: The CDC continues to make more guidance documents available. Please see below:

Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>

Emergency Shelters During Pandemic: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/Guidance-for-Gen-Pop-Disaster-Shelters-a-Pandemic_cleared_JIC_ADS_final.pdf

Manufacturing Workers and Employees: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-manufacturing-workers-employers.html>

Low-Income Energy Assistance Program: Many Kansas utility companies will once again begin requiring monthly payment of utilities starting June 1. For any low-income resident or struggling business owner that has concerns about paying their utility bills, the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program, authorized by the CARES Act, can receive help. **Assistance is available for payments up to \$600 and the deadline to apply is May 29.** To go directly to the Kansas Department for Children and Families application site at <https://cssp.kees.ks.gov/apspssp/sppNonMed.portal>. Project Deserve and Dollar Aide is also helping some individuals and business owners using assistance funds not associated with the LIEAP program. To find an agency near you that may have funds available, Call 2-1-1.

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