



Resources Bulletin

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Funding & Technical Assistance

Economic Development Administration CARES Act Funding

Economic Development Administration (EDA) is now accepting applications for Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) supplemental funds (EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance) intended to help communities prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. Under this announcement, EDA will make CARES Act Recovery Assistance grants under the authority of its Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) program, which is intended to be flexible and responsive to the economic development needs and priorities of local and regional stakeholders. [More information and apply here](#). Contact [Rachel Lunney](#) for more information.

Main Street Lending Program

The Federal Reserve has created the Main Street Lending Program to provide a total of \$600 billion in financing for small and medium-sized businesses. This is a lending program separate from the PPP that is designed to assist small businesses through government-backed loans. While the program's start date has yet to be announced, [here's what you need to know](#) to check eligibility and get ready to apply.

Arts & Transportation: Using arts to create better pandemic projects

Offered by Smart Growth America. [More info and apply here](#). Selected agencies will be matched with an artist who will work with the agency over the next few months on their proposed project. Participating artists will receive between \$5,000 to \$20,000 to support the artists' time and project materials, as well as a short series of training sessions to prepare them to work with the transportation agencies.

Colorado Lending Source - Small Business Emergency Loans

This new financing option is for rural-based Colorado businesses that have been impacted by COVID-19. Loan details of the Small Business Emergency Loan Program are as follows: \$10,000 loans; 3.75% fixed interest rate; Two year terms; Payments deferred for six months; [More info here](#).

Colorado Health Foundation Funding Opportunities

Now accepting applications for June 15 grant deadline. Before applying for funding, please visit our [Open Funding page](#), connect with a program officer and sign up for our grants portal. Opportunities for: Amplifying Health Advocacy; Capital Infrastructure in Support of Team-based Comprehensive Primary Care; Family, Friend and Neighbor Caregiver Supports; Supporting Coloradans in Recovery Through Nonclinical Programs.

Searchable Guide to COVID-19 Federal Funding Resources

[This interactive guide](#) can help rural communities navigate the various federal funding resources included within the CARES Act is now available from Alchemy Community Transformations. [This guide](#) can be searched by topic, applicant type, cost-share

requirements, or funding type.

Clearinghouse of Funding Sources

The Colorado Office Economic Development and International Trade has compiled a list of available grants, loans, and other funding opportunities offered throughout Colorado and nationally. [This list](#) is continuously being updated, so be sure to check back for frequently for additional resources.

National Forest Foundation: Matching Awards Program

Deadline: June 9. The Foundation's Matching Awards Program (MAP) provides grants to nonprofit organizations to engage in on-the-ground conservation and restoration projects that have an immediate, quantifiable impact on National Forests. Funded projects must address one of the following focus areas: The Outdoor Experiences category supports projects that improve the quality, condition, and care of outdoor experiences in National Forests. The Forest Health category supports citizen-involved projects that maintain or restore ecosystem resiliency in National Forests. The Foundation also encourages projects that integrate the Outdoor Experiences and Forest Health focus areas. [More info here.](#)

Virtual Educational Opportunities

Weekly Update from the Northwest Colorado Small Business Development Center

Fri. May 15 at 1:00 p.m. Join here: <https://cuboulder.zoom.us/j/863837735>

COVID-19 Economic Impact Discussion

May 12 at noon | [Register here](#)

The University of Colorado's Richard Wobbekind and Brian Lewandowski will provide an economic discussion about the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic locally and nationally - what we know and what to expect.

Saving Main Street Webinar

May 13, 2020 | 9 - 10 a.m. MT | [Register here](#)

In this webinar, Resonance Consultancy will share research on why small shops and restaurants are important to our economies, with recommendations on how business owners, real estate developers, cities, economic developers, business improvement districts and destination marketers can work together to respond, reboot and reimagine the streets and neighborhoods we love.

Five Strategies for COVID-19 and the Next Normal

Thursdays | Various times | [More info here](#)

Next in the series: May 14 | 9:30 am MT | Managing Fear and Uncertainty: A Mindful Approach | [Register here](#)

Offered by Veterans Path. In this webinar series, you will hear from a Congressman leader, a Navy SEAL Commander, an Air Force F-15 Pilot, an Army Special Forces Officer, and a Marine Corps Intelligence Officer on what they have learned from their time on Capitol Hill and in combat, with strategies they can share for you to lead businesses through COVID-19 to the Next Normal. More info on all webinars [here](#).

Summit Biz ReBuild Program, powered by Co.Starters

Starts May 20 | [More info here](#). This is a nine-session business recovery program that meets approximately once a week on Wednesdays (with an extra session on Monday, June 8 and a celebration that will be scheduled for later in the summer) to help business owners recover and rebuild. The program equips business owners with the insights, relationships, and tools needed to survive and thrive as we restart our economy and adjust to the "new normal."

Summit Biz Weekly Coffee Meetups and Educational Sessions

The Summit Chamber is hosting weekly coffee meetups, every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. These meetups are informal and fun! Educational Sessions will be held every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. and will include a featured speaker. For more information, please visit the [Summit Chamber Facebook page](#).

Effective Governance Workshop Part I

May 20 | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. | [Register here](#)

CIRSA Executive Director Tami Tanoue and CML Executive Director Kevin Bommer are partnering together to provide insight into key leadership challenges municipal elected officials face. Topics to be discussed during this two-part series include highlevel personnel issues, open meetings/open records, ethics, and other issues. This webinar is May 20 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Effective Governance Workshop Part II

May 27 | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. | [Register here](#)

Continuing the CIRSA and CML partnership to provide insight into key leadership challenges municipal elected officials might face, this final webinar series for the Effective Governance workshop will cover topics related to budgets, social media, and staff and council relationships.

CDO Virtual Planning Refresher Workshop

May 21 | 1 - 3 p.m.

Join the Community Development Office (CDO) for a webinar version of our Planning Refresher Workshop. Topics will include planning authority, implementation tools, effective meetings, and legal and ethical issues. Registration is free and please RSVP [HERE](#) to receive the webinar link. Contact KC McFerson at kc.mcferson@state.co.us with any questions.

Resources

The Office of Economic Development and International Trade

[OEDIT](#) has a number of resources available to support small businesses, nonprofits, freelancers, and independent contractors - including guidance navigating the paycheck protection program, Economic Injury Disaster Loans and Small Business Administration (SBA) Debt Relief.

Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies

[DORA](#) offers assistance for businesses in your community facing eviction.

Northwest Colorado Small Business Development Center

The [Northwest SBDC](#)'s consultants and partners, including the SBA and OEDIT, provide services to assist with disaster loan applications, long term planning, insurance navigation, physical and economic loss estimations, business preparedness, and more.

COVID-19 Finance Assistance Network

[More info here](#). Lew's List in partnership with High Plains Advisors and Foundry Group has assembled a group of CFOs, controllers, and other senior finance professionals to help businesses survive this pandemic by offering pro bono financial assistance to Colorado businesses.

Aspen Institute Page on COVID-19 Resources for Rural Communities

The international, nonpartisan Aspen Institute has compiled a page of resources for rural communities grappling with immediate and long-term ramifications of COVID-19. Visit their site [here](#) to share your experience and access a host of webinars, news and research, data and maps, and various resources.

State of Colorado COVID-19 Resource Pages

For the latest information on public health orders, communication resources, data, FAQs, check out the State's COVID-19 [website](#). For wide-ranging information for local governments.

DOLA Division of Local Government

[DOLA DLG](#) launched a COVID-19 page featuring information geared toward local governments, businesses, and individuals.

Colorado Resiliency Office Community Adaptation Hub

The [Colorado Resiliency Office](#) is launching a Community Adaptation Hub as part of its resources on COVID-19 recovery. The Hub will highlight the work of local governments, organizations, and businesses that are adapting the way they do their work due to the COVID-19 crisis.

Colorado Municipal League COVID-19 Webpage

CML has an extensive [COVID-19 webpage](#) featuring guidance, sample policies, legislation information, resources, and much more.
