**Employer & Workforce COVID-19 Resources**

**EMPLOYER INFO**

* **Centers for Disease Control Interim Guidance for Businesses & Employers (**[**Link**](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fspecific-groups%2Fguidance-business-response.html)**)**
* **US Department of Labor Coronavirus Resources** – Information for employers/workers **(**[**Link**](https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/)**)**
* **US Chamber of Commerce Combating Coronavirus** – Workplace tips, Customizable workplace flyer & guidance for employer response **(**[**Link**](https://www.uschamber.com/coronavirus)**)**
* **US Chamber of Commerce 5 Ways to Retain Your Customers During Coronavirus** – Tips to retain customers for your business **(**[**Link**](https://www.uschamber.com/co/grow/customers/customer-retention-during-coronavirus)**)**
* **US Chamber of Commerce Coronavirus Small Business Guide (**[**Link**](https://www.uschamber.com/co/small-business-coronavirus)**)**
* **Google Small Business Tips for Surviving COVID-19 (**[**Link**](https://smallbusiness.withgoogle.com/news/resources-for-smbs-impacted-by-coronavirus/#!/)**)**
* **US Senate Committee on Small Business Owner’s Guide to the CARES Act (**[**Link**](https://www.sbc.senate.gov/public/_cache/files/9/7/97ac840c-28b7-4e49-b872-d30a995d8dae/F2CF1DD78E6D6C8C8C3BF58C6D1DDB2B.small-business-owner-s-guide-to-the-cares-act-final-.pdf)**)**
* **US Environmental Protection Agency** – Approved disinfectants for COVID-19 **(**[**Link**](https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2)**)**
* **Texas Department of State Health Services Resources & Updates (**[**Link**](https://www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/)**)**
* **Texas Workforce Commission – COVID 19 Resources for Employers (**[**Link**](https://www.twc.texas.gov/news/covid-19-resources-employers)**)**
* **Texas Workforce Commission Shared Work Program** – Provides partial funding for hourly employees whose hours have been cut due to a slowdown in business **(**[**Link**](https://twc.texas.gov/businesses/shared-work)**)**
* **Texas Workforce Commission – Preventing and Managing Layoffs (**[**Link**](https://www.twc.texas.gov/businesses/shared-work)**)**
* **National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) Small Business FAQs on COVID-19\*** **(**[**Link**](https://www.nfib.com/content/legal-compliance/healthcare/small-business-faqs-on-covid-19/)**)**
* **Internal Revenue Service Tax Filing FAQs (moved from April 15, 2020 to July 15, 2020) (**[**Link**](https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/filing-and-payment-deadlines-questions-and-answers)**)**
* **US Department of Labor Families First Coronavirus Response Act Family & Paid Sick Leave FAQs\* (**[**Link**](https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-questions)**)**

**RETAIL**

* **Retail Strategies – Navigating COVID 19 for Small Businesses (**[**Link**](https://www.retailstrategies.com/navigating-covid-19-for-small-businesses/)**)**
* **National Restaurant Association – Coronavirus Information & Resources (**[**Link**](https://restaurant.org/Covid19)**)**
* **National Retail Federation: Coronavirus Resources (**[**Link**](https://nrf.com/resources/retail-safety-and-security-tools/coronavirus-resources-retailers)**)**
* **Texas Restaurant Association Restaurant Relief Fund** - Provides a grant up to $5,000 to support the needs of independent restaurants **(**[**Link**](https://mailchi.mp/txrestaurant.org/txrestaurantrelieffund)**)**

**FINANCIAL**

* **Texas Workforce Commission – Disaster Unemployment Assistance (**[**Link**](https://twc.texas.gov/jobseekers/disaster-unemployment-assistance)**)**
* **US Small Business Administration (SBA) Guidance & Economic Injury Disaster Loans** – Up to $2 million in working capital at very low interest rates to cover operations until normal business resumes

**(**[**SBA Link**](https://www.sba.gov/page/coronavirus-covid-19-small-business-guidance-loan-resources)**)**

**(**[**State of Texas Program Guidance Link**](https://gov.texas.gov/business/page/coronavirus)**)**

([**Texas Division of Emergency Management Link**](https://tdem.texas.gov/covid-19/#1584551794550-8cefdca0-1039))

***\*Those in Kaufman/Kaufman County interested in pursuing SBA financing programs are encouraged to contact the Trinity Valley Small Business Development Center (SBDC). They are an arm of the SBA and are staying up to date on SBA programs and resources. Jamee Nitschke is our local representative. She can be reached at (903) 675-7403 or*** [***jamee.nitschke@tvcc.edu***](mailto:jamee.nitschke@tvcc.edu)***. Their services are free to small businesses and entrepreneurs.***

* **Small Business Administration Express Bridge Loans** – Provides up to $25,000 in advanced supplemental funds for businesses applying for SBA Economy Injury Disaster Loans **(**[**Link**](https://www.sba.gov/document/support--express-bridge-loan-pilot-program-guide)**)**
* **Small Business Paycheck Protection & Loan Forgiveness** – Provides up to $10 million in assistance to small businesses and 501(c)3 nonprofits that is partially forgivable. This includes sole-proprietors, independent contractors and other self-employed individuals. Financing is available for employee wages up to $100,000 and can cover additional expenses, such as rent, utilities, etc. expended between February 15, 2020 and June 30, 2020. Can be combined with an SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan as long as they go toward separate expenses.

**(**[**SBA Link**](https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/paycheck-protection-program)**)**

**(**[**Small Business Owner’s Guide to the CARES Act**](https://texasedc.org/assets/downloads/small-business-owner-s-guide-to-the-cares-act.pdf)**)**

**(**[**US Chamber of Commerce SBA Loan Program Info**](https://www.uschamber.com/sites/default/files/023595_comm_corona_virus_smallbiz_loan_final_revised.pdf)**)**

* **Facebook Small Business Grants Program** - $100 million in available funding and ad credits for up to 30,000 eligible small businesses **(**[**Link**](https://www.facebook.com/business/boost/grants?ref=eml)**)**
* **Southern Smoke Restaurant Employee Emergency Relief Program** - Provides charitable funds to assist those employed and/or who own restaurants/bars or are restaurant suppliers **(**[**Link**](https://form.southernsmoke.org/smoke/application/)**)**
* **Texas Woman’s University AssistHer Relief Grant** - $1,000,000 in available funding for 100 awards ($10,000 each) to Texas women-owned businesses **(**[**Link**](https://twu.edu/center-women-entrepreneurs/assisther-emergency-relief-grant/)**)**

**REGULATORY**

* **Office of Gov. Abbott Executive Order on Restaurants, Bars, Gyms & Senior Living Facilities (**[**Link**](https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-issues-executive-orders-in-accordance-with-federal-guidelines-to-mitigate-spread-of-covid-19-in-texas)**)**
* **Office of Gov. Abbott Regulation Waiver for Hospitality Industry to Deliver Alcoholic Beverages (**[**Link**](https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-waives-certain-regulations-to-allow-delivery-of-alcohol-from-restaurants-and-to-support-hospitality-industry)**)**
* **Texas Department of Motor Vehicles** – Temporary trucking deregulation

**(**[**Texas DMV Link**](https://www.txdmv.gov/motor-carriers)**)**

**(**[**Texas Governor’s Office Link**](https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-waives-certain-state-trucking-regulations-to-expedite-delivery-of-resources-around-texas?fbclid=IwAR1-w036n2c8WT33decFQM-eCYaXug4J_-BzcPCpyU9l_KoC4PdzevR8UFY)**)**

* **Office of Gov. Abbott Removes Licensing Barriers for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (**[**Link**](https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-removes-licensing-barriers-for-advance-practice-registered-nurses)**)**
* **Office of Gov. Abbott Waives Licensing Regulations for Pharmacists & Technicians (**[**Link**](https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-waives-certain-licensing-regulations-for-pharmacists-technicians)**)**

**LOCAL & OTHER RESOURCES**

* **Kaufman County Shelter in Place Order (**[**Link**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/14ck2TCbS94GRIL2mwmbxndcrSXLtzcsJ/view)**)**
* **Dallas Regional Chamber Updates (**[**Link**](https://www.dallaschamber.org/covid-19-resources/)**)**
* **City of Kaufman COVID Webpage & Approved Waivers List for Essential Businesses (**[**Link**](https://www.kaufmantx.org/2266/COVID-19-Information)**)**
* **City of Kaufman Police Department Social Media Updates (**[**Link**](https://www.facebook.com/cityofkaufmanpolice/)**)**
* **Kaufman ISD Social Media Updates** [**(Link)**](https://www.facebook.com/kisdlions/)
* **Kaufman ISD Virtual Learning Information (**[**Link**](https://www.kaufmanisd.net/district/departments/technology/remote-learning-technical-support)**)**
* **Kaufman County Emergency Management Social Media Updates (**[**Link**](https://www.facebook.com/Kaufman-County-Emergency-Management-199176400125923/)**)**
* **Kaufman County COVID-19 Webpage & Essential Business Waiver Request Form (**[**Link**](https://www.kaufmancounty.net/county-government/covid-19-information/)**)**
* **Texas Department of Agriculture Comprehensive Resource Guide(**[**Link**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E-fmLXuRvhYT_7A4txPFUUQNYZ-C4lbtgBBzvw8lKzM/edit#heading=h.5dkx2hes7amd)**)**
* **United States Federal Government Coronavirus Website\* (**[**Link**](https://www.coronavirus.gov/)**)**

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