

MCA Detroit is hosting documents in regards to COVID-19. These documents can be accessed by going to mcadetroit.org/covid-19. We will continue to provide updates as relevant information is added.

On a Positive Note



Brides Across America, a Massachusetts nonprofit, works with military couples and first responders to provide them assistance with their weddings from wedding dresses to weddings. They have now expanded to include front-line healthcare workers as a way to give back to them and shown they more than qualify as heroes in their own right. Every year since 2008 they've donated 2,000 wedding dresses and to date have helped 25,000 brides as well as gifted 22 free weddings!

Good News!

Small Business Restart Program

MEDC COVID-19 RESPONSE

Applications are now being accepted for Michigan small businesses and non-profits to apply for \$100 million in grants. Businesses or non-profits with 50 employees or less that

have been affected by COVID-19 and have experienced an income loss are eligible to apply. Eligible businesses can apply for up to \$20,000 in grants which can be applied towards payroll expenses, rent, mortgage payments, utility payments or other similar expenses.

Small Business Restart

Legal/Regulatory



Governor Whitmer has signed Executive Order (EO) 2020-150 into effect. This EO provides temporary and limited relief from certain licensing and certification requirements applicable to COVID-19 response. Specifically for the construction industry "Professional certifications of individuals in basic life support, advanced cardiac life support, and first aid shall remain in effect, even if they are otherwise due to expire" for the duration of the state of emergency or disaster related to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

EO 2020-150

Employee/Safety



The FDA has listed an additional 10 (69 total) sanitizers that contain methanol that are made in Mexico. If someone has used these the FDA recommends they immediately seek medical care as issues can range from blindness to death. The FDA maintained list can be viewed here:

FDA List of banned sanitizers

PPE



The Michigan Chamber of Commerce has assembled an up-to-date list of Michigan Businesses that are taking PPE-related orders. To order from these companies you can simply contact them directly. In addition there is a link to a disinfectant list maintained by the EPA and on May 15th, two new credible sources for PPE were added which are reliable and have a good working relationship with MCAA: MONTCO and Rescue One.

Financial News



Applications are now open for businesses based in Oakland County that have been impacted by COVID-19. The grants range from \$2,500-10,000 and are intended to help with payroll, rent, utilities, or other expenses. For-profit construction companies with 100 or fewer employees are are eligible to apply for this grant with a deadline of August 24th, 2020.

Oakland County Grant



U.S. Small Business Administration

On June 15th the Small Business Administration (SBA) began accepting new applications for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) and Advances. These advances can be up to \$10,000 and do not have to be repaid. Any applications made before April 15th will be processed first and any new applications will be processed on a first come first serve basis.

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