



City of Poquoson Economic Development Office Business Update Friday, April 17, 2020



On Wednesday, April 15, 2020, Governor Northam extended Executive Order 53 through May 8, 2020.

Funds Still Available to help Small Businesses

There are still opportunities to receive loans and grants intended to assist Small Businesses in surviving the COVID-19 challenges. Although EIDL and PPP have closed the application process, qualifying businesses should have their applications filled out and ready should additional funding become available. You should also reach out to your banker to discuss.

Updated forms for PPP - click [HERE](#)

Updated forms for EIDL - click [HERE](#)

Please review the sources below to see if you qualify for other assistance.

Applications open at 3 pm Eastern on Monday, April 20, 2020



The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation has opened a "Save Small Business Fund" to help small employers who are struggling during the COVID-19 outbreak. You are eligible to apply for a **\$5,000 assistance grant** if you employ 3 - 20 people and have been harmed financially by COVID-19. Businesses in Poquoson are eligible to apply for these funds.

[Click HERE for more info](#)

The VA 30 Day Grant website is still open to applications. Don't miss this Small Business Assistance. Application is quick, easy and free of red tape.

[Click HERE for more info](#)



Child Care Providers - If you are open and accepting new children, please make sure your information is listed at Child Care Aware of Virginia.

[Click HERE for more info](#)

For additional Childcare Resources and grant application information look to the Virginia Department of

Social Services.
[Click HERE for more info](#)

Virginia Child Care Program - Frequently Asked Questions
[Click HERE for More info](#)

To support artists during the COVID-19 crisis, a coalition of national arts grant makers have come together to create an emergency initiative to offer financial and informational resources to artists across the US. The Artist Relief group will distribute \$5,000 grants to artists facing dire financial emergencies due to the crisis. Also scroll down to Arts Organizations on the VTC page linked on separate listing in this newsletter.

[Click HERE for more info](#)

The Virginia Tourism Corporation (VTC) has a list of resources and information available for a large variety of businesses. Look at their website page for COVID-19 Business Assistance Resources.

[Click HERE for more info](#)

Resources and Relief Programs Available to Restaurants During COVID-19 are outlined at the following website:

[Click HERE for more info](#)

For businesses utilizing SQUARE, the Point of Sale (POS) processing equipment/software, there is a financing arm of the business waiting on approval to start processing PPP. You have to be a Square customer to access Square Capital, but they are accepting new customers.

[Click HERE for More info](#)

Have you taken the Poquoson Business Survey yet?

Please take a few minutes to complete this quick and easy survey that the Office of Economic Development has created. This information will be used to assess needs and assist our office in providing you with information on business support resources and to better gauge Poquoson's economic environment for businesses during these times. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

[SURVEY](#)

Resources

The Small Business Development Center has an excellent Resource and Information page.

[Click HERE for more info](#)



Delegate Rob Wittman has a valuable resource page on all things COVID-19. He recently added a link to respond to questions on Economic Impact Payments FAQ.

[Click HERE for more Info](#)

The Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce has provided this document on Strategies for an Economic Downturn.

[Click HERE to download STRATEGY document](#)



The Virginia Peninsula Chamber of Commerce continues to provide up-to-date info on their COVID-19 Newsletter.

[Click HERE to view this resource](#)