



April 20, 2020

Governor Brian Kemp to Provide COVID-19 Update Today at 4 p.m.

Governor Kemp, Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan, Speaker David Ralston, Georgia Department of Public Health Commissioner Dr. Kathleen Toomey, Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency Director Homer Bryson, and Georgia National Guard Adjutant General Tom Carden will provide an update on COVID-19 from the Georgia State Capitol today at 4 p.m.

The briefing will be live streamed on [Governor Kemp's Facebook](#) or [Georgia Public Broadcasting](#).

HAPPENINGS

[The U.S. Chamber Announces the “Save Small Business Fund.” Application Process Starts Today.](#)



The [Save Small Business Fund](#) is a grant making initiative offering short-term relief for small employers in the United States and its territories. Funded by corporate and philanthropic partners, the Save Small Business Fund is a collective effort to provide \$5,000 grants to as many small employers with the funds available.

In order to qualify, small businesses must:

- Employ between 3 and 20 people
- Be located in an economically vulnerable community
- Have been harmed financially by the COVID-19 pandemic

Starting today, small business can submit a short application that will be linked to this page. If you'd like a reminder when the application process opens, please sign up with your email address at the link above. The application will take about 10 minutes to complete and will only require your business's W-9 form and basic supporting information about your business.

For more information, [click here](#).

[As SCCPSS Transition to Online Learning More Chromebooks Are Needed](#)



Schools have transitioned to online learning and we as the business community need to make sure every student who needs a device has access to one. Student access to technology is a critical component in our work to provide educational continuity and tailored supports for students through the end of the school year.

As the COVID-19 pandemic has forced classrooms to transition to an at home digital learning model, students are asked to access learning websites, videoconference with teachers, complete assignments in Google classrooms and watch video lessons. SCCPSS is committed to the continuation of teaching and learning through the current academic school calendar that has the last day of school set for May 15, 2020.

Donations will be used to help fund the purchase of Chromebooks that will be provided to students for completing online classes! You can help!

[Click here](#) to make a donation or text to give. Text TECHNOLOGY to 80888

Questions? Call Clyde Newton of the SCCPSS Public Affairs Department for more details at 912-433-7610.

[Equifax, Experian and TransUnion Announce Free Weekly Credit Reports to Help Americans in Response to COVID-19](#)

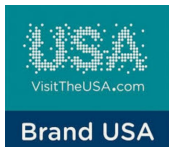


In a joint action, the three national credit reporting agencies in the United States – Equifax, Experian and TransUnion – announced today that they are offering free weekly credit reports to all Americans for the next year to help them protect their financial health during the sudden and unprecedented hardship caused by COVID-19. The free reports will be available via AnnualCreditReport.com starting on April 20, 2020.

For additional helpful consumer tips on navigating COVID-19, please visit:

- [Equifax COVID-19 Credit and Financial Resources Center](#)
- [Experian COVID-19 Resources & Credit Education](#)
- [TransUnion COVID-19 Support Center](#)

[Brand USA's COVID-19 Research Update Hosted by Carroll Rheem, Vice President, Research & Analytics](#)



Brand USA's Vice President, Research & Analytics Carroll Rheem hosted a research webinar for Brand USA partners to provide an update on international market conditions, the status of the pandemic, the economic outlook, and consumer sentiment as it relates to travel and tourism.

In case you missed it, you can watch the recorded webinar and download the presentation below.

[Watch the Recorded Webinar Here](#)

[Download the Presentation Here](#)

[Guidance and Resources](#)



We will update and add to the links below as new guidance and resources become available. Click here to visit the Chamber's resource page.

- [Coronavirus Digital Toolkit](#)
- [Coronavirus Guidance for Employers](#)
- [Coronavirus Workplace Tips for Employees](#)
- [Coronavirus Resource Hub for Small Businesses](#)
- [Coronavirus Local/State Policy Tracker](#)
- [Coronavirus Workplace Flyer](#)
- Dial 311 for City of Savannah information
- Dial 211 for help from the United Way of the Coastal Empire
- Dial 1-800-Georgia (436-7442) for State of Georgia information

For more info, please visit the [CDC's Guidance for Businesses page](#).

The Savannah Area Chamber is working hard to provide timely access to business resource information during the COVID-19 pandemic. The interpretation and recommendations of the information provided by the Chamber should not replace the consult of professional advisors familiar with your unique business situation. While it is believed that the content of external links is accurate and reliable, accuracy and completeness of information contained herein is not guaranteed. Users of this information accept all risks associated with the use of such information and agree that the Savannah Area Chamber has no liability to the user.



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