



April 27, 2020

Governor Kemp to Provide COVID-19 Update Today at 4:30 p.m.

Today at 4:30 p.m., Governor Brian Kemp will give an update on Georgia's response to COVID -19. The Governor will be joined by officials from the Georgia Department of Public Health, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency and the Georgia National Guard. Tune in for a live stream of the press conference on one of the links below.

- [Georgia Public Broadcasting](#)
- [Governor Brian Kemp Facebook](#)

[Tune into Live Stream as the U.S. Small Business Administration Presents: Georgia COVID-19 Recovery, Relief & Response](#)



Today, Monday, April 27
5 p.m.

Join this live streamed conversation with U.S. Senator David Perdue of Georgia, Ashley D. Bell, Regional Director, U.S Small Business Administration and Mr. Chris Clark, President & CEO, Georgia Chamber of Commerce to learn what resources are available to you and our Georgia community.

For Live Stream, [click here](#)
Dial in Number: 1-833-380-0652

For more business resources from the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, [click here](#).

[Paycheck Protection Program Application Process Resumes](#)



The Small Business Administration will resume accepting Paycheck Protection Program loan applications on today from approved lenders on behalf of any eligible borrower.

Last Friday President Trump signed into law the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act, which provides critical additional funding for American workers and small businesses affected by the coronavirus pandemic.

For more information on the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act, [click here](#).

[The Georgia Department of Economic Development offers Industry Specific FAQ on Gov. Kemp's Reviving a Healthy Georgia Order.](#)



Source: Georgia.org

Last week, Gov. Kemp and the Georgia Department of Labor issued guidance addressing unemployment options and encouraging businesses to work with employees to determine a successful and safe return to work plan.

As of today, in all jurisdictions, theaters, and restaurant dine-in services will be allowed – but not required – to reopen, subject to social distancing and sanitation directions. Additional industry-specific guidance is available [here](#).

Please read these guidelines in their entirety to understand how your business is impacted by this order as well as to help you make a self-determination as to whether your business is “critical infrastructure” and how best to proceed.

For the Georgia Department of Economic Development’s list of Frequently Ask Questions on Gov. Kemp’s statewide order, [click here](#).

GDEcD COVID-19 Resources:

- For arts and nonprofit resources, [click here](#).
- For film and entertainment resources, [click here](#).
- For small business resources, [click here](#).
- For tourism and travel information, [click here](#).
- For information on how manufacturers and distributors can help fight COVID-19, [click here](#).
- For general GDEcD updates on COVID-19, [click here](#).
- For frequently asked questions regarding Georgia businesses, [click here](#).

[Gov. Kemp’s Office Announces 48 Additional COVID-19 Testing Sites Online in Georgia](#)



The Georgia Department of Health announced 48 additional sites for COVID-19 testing in Georgia. Those in the District 9-1 Coastal Health District (Savannah).

District 9-1 Coastal Health District (Savannah):

Glynn County Health Department
2747 4th St., Brunswick, GA 31520

Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. - Noon.

Jennifer Ross Soccer Complex
7221 Sallie Mood Dr., Savannah, GA 31406
Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. - Noon.

Visits to these sites are by referral or appointment only, and Georgians should contact their medical provider, local public health officials. For more information, [click here](#).

[USATODAY - Monday, April 27](#)



As the number of confirmed coronavirus cases neared 1 million Monday morning, Dr. Deborah Birx warned that social distancing "will be with us through the summer."

While some areas of the U.S. have reached their peak of cases and since come down, social distancing will be needed to "protect one another," the White House coronavirus task force coordinator said Sunday on NBC News' "Meet the Press."

It's Monday, and this is Coronavirus Watch from the USA TODAY Network.

Here's the latest news, as of 1:00 p.m. from [USATODAY.com](https://www.usatoday.com)

- Dozens of states have announced plans to relax social distancing restrictions, but few have yet to enact major changes. [Here is a list of states](#) making moves to roll back social distancing regulations.
- Almost 3 million confirmed cases have been reported globally and the virus has killed more than 206,000 people, according to [Johns Hopkins University](#) data.
- Stocks opened higher on [Wall Street on Monday](#) as governments around the world prepared to gradually lift stay-at-home restrictions.

[IRS Extends Deadline for Social Security and Veterans Affairs Recipients](#)



The IRS has extended the deadline to next Tuesday, May 5, for Social Security and Veterans Affairs recipients to register their dependent children to qualify for an additional \$500 per child, in addition to their Economic Impact Payment of \$1,200. You can register and learn more [here](#).

[Good News](#)



There's a lot going on in the world right now, but there are plenty of reasons to be positive about the future. Check out these good news stories:

- [Nine Line](#), Harris Lowry Manton LLP donate 1,000 masks to area first responders
- The [Savannah Harbor Foundation](#) presents the LOWCOUNTRY "STAY AT HOME" SHOW
- The DeSoto Hotel announces [DeSoto Vibe for Savannah](#) 7-Day Concert Series.

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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