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[Money Magazine's List of Best Small Business Loans of 2020](#)



Source: [Money.com](#)

The Small Business Administration (SBA) relaunched its Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) this week as an additional \$310 billion in funds was appropriated after the original \$349 billion in funding ran out after 13 days. Online Lenders have been able to offer PPP loans since April 9, bringing the ability to provides these funds to approved businesses faster. Money Magazine has compiled a list of their top picks of best small business loans for 2020. [Click here](#) to read more from Money.com.

[Update Your Business Operating Hours and Procedures on Savannah Chamber, Visit Savannah and Visit Tybee Websites](#)



With businesses having to adjust and adapt hours and operation procedures in our current COVID-19 reality, your Chamber, Visit Savannah and Visit Tybee are here to provide continual support throughout this journey. Please [fill out this form](#) to let us know the current status of your business and/or if your business has adjusted your offerings or are adopting COVID-19 safety protocols. Please keep us updated so that we can share that information across all our digital channels.

[Click here](#) to submit.

Correction: Gov. Kemp and the Department of Public Health Announce Refresh of DPH Daily Status Report Webpage Originally Launched on March 12.



This week, Gov. Kemp's office and the DPH added interactive dashboards to the website, originally published on March 12, providing a refreshed look to existing COVID-19 data.

Readers of yesterday's (April 28) update may have been under the impression that the DPH Daily Status website was a new addition, when in fact, the site has been active and available since early March.

Additionally, the site and has been and will continue to be updated twice daily by the Georgia Department of Public Health.

For Georgia's most accurate and up to date data on COVID-19, [click here](#).

University of Georgia's Small Business Development Center to Host Tourism Recovery Webinar May 5



Visit Savannah President Joseph Marinelli and Tourism Leadership Council President Michael Owens will moderate a [Webinar May 4](#) on the state of Savannah's tourism industry and give insight on what lies ahead in a post COVID-19 landscape. Participants must submit questions in advance by Monday, May 4 at 2 p.m. [Submit Questions Here](#)

When:

Tuesday, May 5
2 p.m.

The Experts:

Joseph Marinelli, President, Visit Savannah
Michael Owens, President/CEO, Tourism Leadership Council

The Details:

[Register Here](#)

You must register in advance for this no-cost learning opportunity. Webinar instructions will be emailed to registered participants prior to the session.

[The EPA and CDC Offer Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting](#)



Source: [EPA.gov](#)

This jointly developed guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is intended for all Americans, whether you own a business, run a school, or want to ensure the cleanliness and safety of your home. This plan is part of the larger [United States Government plan](#) and focuses on cleaning and disinfecting public spaces, workplaces, businesses, schools, and can also be applied to your home. [Click here for guidelines.](#)

[Georgia Chamber Hosting Conference Call with Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King Tomorrow at 11 a.m.](#)



Thursday, April 30 at 11 a.m. members are encouraged to join a virtual conference call with Georgia Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King. Commissioner King will share key insights and update the business community on COVID-19 response from the state of Georgia.

Moderated by Georgia Chamber President & CEO Chris Clark, these COVID-19 virtual conferences are designed to provide relevant and timely updates, information and insight on statewide management of this global pandemic along with resources to assist Georgians in the road to recovery.

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device.

Please click this URL to join

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85316757207>

Or join by phone:

Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

US: +1 301 715 8592

or +1 312 626 6799

or +1 646 558 8656

or +1 253 215 8782

or +1 346 248 7799

or +1 669 900 9128

Webinar ID: 853 1675 7207

International numbers available:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kd1mvhUepf>

For more information and a host of resources, please visit the [Georgia Chamber website](#).

[Paycheck Protection Program Application Process Resumes](#)



The Small Business Administration will resume accepting Paycheck Protection Program loan applications 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](#).

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:

- Glynn County Health Department
2747 4th St., Brunswick, GA 31520
Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Jennifer Ross Soccer Complex
7221 Sallie Mood Dr., Savannah, GA 31406
Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

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](#).

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



Source: Georgia.org

Governor 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.

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 Governor 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](#).

[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
- [Money Magazine's Best Loans of 2020](#)

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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