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Georgia Secretary of State to Announces She Leads Teleconference May 5

Source: [Georgia Secretary of State](#)

The Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger announces She Leads financial literacy and education initiative to bring the conversation to Georgia small businesses and how they can thrive. The spread of coronavirus is having a devastating impact on small businesses, with the financial impacts this year uncertain. Join the SHE LEADS teleconference, aimed at empowering, educating and encouraging our Georgia businesses. The teleconference will connect Georgia small business owners with speakers to help find resources and solutions for issues they are facing. To LEARN more about She Leads Small Business Teleconference: [SHELEADSGA](#)

Date: Tuesday, May 5, 2020

Time: 11a.m. to 12 Noon

To REGISTER for She Leads Small Business Teleconference: [TELECONFERENCE](#)

Gov. Kemp Extends Protections for Vulnerable Georgians, Releases Guidance for Businesses



Source: [Tourism Leadership Council](#)

Thursday, Governor Brian Kemp signed an Executive Order extending protections for vulnerable people and released guidelines for businesses. For a complete breakdown of criteria and guidelines, [click here](#).

Georgia Department of Economic Development Seeking Suppliers



Source: [Georgia.org](#)

Many Georgia companies have joined the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic by providing critical health care supplies to those on the front lines of this fight. GDEcD is asking for companies able to help with critical health care supplies and are interested in being included on the Georgia Suppliers List to please complete the form located [here](#).

Savannah Technical College is Offering On-Line Hospitality Training



Source: [Savannah Technical College](#)

Savannah Technical College is offering non-credit hospitality training to help those displaced workers advance in their careers when they return to work or start a new career with a nationally recognized certification. In an effort to serve the hospitality community that was hit so hard by this pandemic, the College will offer the course at a drastically discounted rate.

The Hospitality Foundations course helps those that want to stand out among other applicants and advance their career. It also offers participants an option to explore the hospitality industry before entering the field. With the expansion of new hotels in historic Savannah, there is a projected demand to hire nearly 1,700 within the next year.

Scholarships will offset the next session cost to \$25 per person – which is regularly priced at \$650. The cost of the 48-hour online course includes the certification testing cost. [Register now](#) for the hospitality course. The next four-week session will be held online from 9 a.m. until noon on Tuesdays through Fridays starting May 19.

For more details about other classes, [click 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:

- [City of Savannah provides interactive map to help Savannah/Chatham County residents locate food assistance services](#)
- [Facebook page aims to help bring business to Savannah food trucks](#)
 - Food Truck Force was created in Savannah to help all restaurants and food truck operators nail down a schedule and rotation
- [WTOC Day of Giving raise \\$187,302 benefiting United Way COVID-19 Rapid Response Fund](#)
- [Mighty Eighth Museum enhances website with videos displayed throughout the museum as well as a new series of educational videos titled "Target for Today"](#)

Do you have any positive local stories to share? Send them to EBackus@VisitSavannah.com with the subject "Positive Stories" and we may choose yours to share with the community!

[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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