

Call to Action - Please Call or Email Congress Today

Our businesses need your assistance TODAY!

Our local small businesses need financial relief NOW! The Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce has joined chambers throughout the country urging our elected officials in Congress to replenish funding for the PPP and EIDL previously passed under the CARES Act.

As the COVID-19 pandemic enters its second month, an increasing number of families and businesses are experiencing the financial hardships wrought by the shut downs. It is critical that we continue to support America's small businesses, which employ nearly half of our country's workforce. A key way to do this for Congress to authorize additional funding for the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP).

With that lifeline funding through the PPP running dry last week, it is imperative that Congress immediately approve additional funding. Doing so will allow Main Street businesses to persevere and to continue to support their employees through this unprecedented crisis.

Please call (202) 224-3121 to urge leaders in Congress to approve additional PPP funding immediately. Ask the Capitol operator to connect you to your congressional representative or senators or call directly:

Senator Merkley (202) 224-3753

Senator Wyden (202) 224-5244

Your message can be simple: *“Oregon’s families and small businesses need your help. Please work swiftly to support small business employees by providing additional funds for the PPP and other relief assistance programs.”*

You can also send an electronic message to the members through the links below:

[Senator Ron Wyden](#)

[Senator Jeff Merkley](#)

[Representative Peter DeFazio](#)

REMINDER: US Chamber of Commerce Launches Save Small Business Fund

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce continues to advocate for additional federal relief for our businesses. To extend a helping hand to small businesses suffering from the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, in partnership with Vistaprint and a coalition of supporting companies, foundations, and philanthropic donors, is working to provide financial relief through the **Save Small Business Fund**.

The Fund is providing \$5,000 in short-term relief to employers across the United States. These one-time supplemental cash grants are for businesses that have between three and 20 employees, and operate in an economically vulnerable community.

The grant application will go live on TODAY, April 20 at 12:00 pm PDT. To learn more about the Save Small Business Fund and to apply for a grant, visit:

www.savesmallbusiness.com

NEW Information and Resources for Businesses Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic:

<https://roseburgchamber.com/news/current-news/>

Please continue to check back, as the chamber updates its resource information almost daily. And, please share this link with friends and colleagues. The more our local businesses armed with information and access to resources, the stronger our recovery.

Let us know how we can help!

Stay Safe...Stay Strong...We Are In This Together!

And, please remember to BUY LOCAL and SHOP SMALL!

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