

Accurate Fire Status and Resource Information Related to Devastating Wildfires in Douglas County

First, our hearts, thoughts and prayers are with our fellow Douglas County residents and our local businesses that have suffered unimaginable loss as well as so many adversely impacted and displaced as a result of the devastating wildfires in our county and throughout Oregon. We send the same sentiments to our first responders, front-line personnel, county leadership and the incredible citizens of Douglas County who have stepped up and stepped in helping neighbors they do not even know...as, of course, they always do.

Second, we encourage our members, their employees and all citizens of Douglas County to please obtain information about the wildfires impacting our community from reliable, official sources. **Please** for the most accurate and current information about the wildfires in Douglas County, visit and follow:

Douglas County Sheriff's Office

Website: <http://www.dcsso.com/> Evacuation Maps: <http://www.dcsso.com/evacuations/>

Facebook Page: [Douglas County Sheriff's Office](#)

Evacuation Questions: 541.440.4463

(Please do not call 911 unless you have an emergency or you are reporting a new fire).

Douglas Forest Protective Association

Website: <https://www.dfpa.net/>

Facebook Page: [Douglas Forest Protective Association](#)

Douglas County Government

Website: <https://www.co.douglas.or.us/>

Facebook Page: [Douglas County Government](#)

Hotline for Local Resources Available for Wildfire Victims: 541.464.6550

Archie Creek Fire Information (NW Interagency Incident Mgmt Team)

Website: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7176/>

Facebook Page: [Archie Creek Fire Information](#)

Fire Information Line: 917.334.7674

Umpqua National Forest—US Forest Service

Facebook Page: [U.S. Forest Service - Umpqua National Forest](#)

BLM—Oregon & Washington

Facebook Page: [BLM Oregon & Washington](#)

For information about road closures and conditions, visit ODOT's www.tripcheck.com

Be informed. Be diligent. Be aware. Be safe.

Locations Accepting Donated Items include the American Red Cross/Douglas County Fairgrounds, the Roseburg Country Club and Ten Down Bowling, to name a few. We encourage folks to check out social media for information and continuous updates about donation needs and business/organization drop-off locations in individual communities throughout Douglas County.

To Donate Recovery Funds

Greater Douglas United Way Fund: <https://gduway.org/campaigns/fire-relief-fund/>

Federal Emergency/Disaster Assistance

Department of Homeland Security has authorized a federal emergency declaration under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, or to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the Jackson and **Douglas** Counties. Specifically, FEMA is authorized to provide emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program. This would provide for federal assistance to local governments to address infrastructure damage and a range of in-kind federal support. State of Oregon will very likely pursue also a major disaster declaration, which would make FEMA assistance available to individuals as well. County emergency management teams are collecting information on impacts to support that request. Look for more information in the future as we obtain it.

New Emergency Business Assistance Grant Program Funds (Round 3) Available Now

CCD Business Development Corporation launched Round 3 of the CCD/Business Oregon COVID-19 Emergency Business Assistance Grant Program on September 1, 2020. There was \$110,000 available in grant funds in Round 3. These funds are expected to go fast. The application form is on the chamber website at [CCD BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT](#)—RD 3, or visit the [CCD website](#) for the application and grant information.

Chamber Programs

Project Leadership Roseburg . . . It's Happening! Just a little later than originally hoped. Again, due to a number of safety guidelines and restrictions currently in place and the uncertainty of potential future changes, the chamber is moving the start of the 32nd year of this distinguished leadership program to January 2021. Upon reviewing the number of changes that would need to be made to the curriculum and the number of businesses and organization our participants would NOT be able to tour and/or experience, the decision was made to delay our start date. The only thing more important to chamber leadership than wanting to deliver a quality program is our responsibility to our participants, their employers and our community that Project Leadership Roseburg delivers what it promises and what it has over the past 31 years. Integrity is everything.

To those who have submitted applications for the program, you need to do nothing more. Your application is in. The changes to the program (other than starting in January) include ending in June (rather than May) and having two workshops in the month of April (second and fourth Thursdays). More detailed information regarding workshop schedules for 2021 will be available in by mid-November.

The new deadline for submitting a Project Leadership participant application is Friday, November 6, 2020. Go to pages 7-10 of the chamber's July/August issue of *Business Perspectives*...just ignore the current workshop dates! [PROJECT LEADERSHIP](#)

Reservations Open Next Week . . . for October 19 Virtual Membership Meeting Program and November 12 Economic Forecast 2021 program. Look for email to membership next week for more information and links!

Guides/Tools for Reopening Our Businesses

Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce



RACC's Business Resource Guide for Reopening.

If you haven't yet checked out the chamber's [Business Resource Guide for Reopening](#), you should. The guide has great information and valuable tips and resources for our businesses reopening in Phases 1 and 2. As with everything these days, the guide is frequently updated as the chamber obtains more and clarified information.

US Chamber of Commerce

Reopening Business Digital Resources Center

As part of the Path Forward initiative, the U.S. Chamber unveiled its [Reopening Business Digital Resources Center](#) to equip America's business community with the latest state guidelines, sector-specific guidance, small business advice, and other tools and resources as we look to reopen safely and keep employees and customers healthy and informed.

Now, the resources center also includes a [customizable workplace flyer](#) to help our members communicate the steps your company is taking to keep them safe and prevent the spread of COVID-19 to employees and customers.

Reopening Business Digital Resources Center Toolkit

In addition to the Reopening Business Digital Resources Center, and as you and your members face new questions and unprecedented new challenges, the U.S. Chamber has also created a comprehensive [toolkit](#) of key messages, example posts, and social media graphics for you to utilize while sharing the tools and resources with your local business communities and networks.

Chamber Notes & Updates

Project Leadership Participants Graduate. If you missed last month's announcement of the graduation of the chamber's 2019-20 Project Leadership graduates and their community-benefit project, [check it out](#).

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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 are armed with information and access to resources, the stronger our recovery.

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