

# **Town of Southbury**

## COVID-19 Business Update April 24, 2020

# Town of Southbury COVID Information Please share with your business network

### A note from the Economic Development Director:

The SBA portal should be opening this weekend for the next round of federal funding, so if you have not successfully submitted an application, should speak with an SBA approved financial institution. Now, <u>fin-tech</u> firms are able to assist with SBA applications as well.

There is no shortage of webinars and resources available to stimulate your creative juices and turn your fears into action. Don't allow COVID-19 freeze you ~ let it *free* you.

I'm setting up 15-minute virtual meetings, M-F. Just e-mail me at <u>EcoDevDirector@southbury-</u> <u>ct.org</u> to schedule yours. The business hotline is 203.586.9782.

All the latest information and resources can be found on our Covid-19 Business page: HERE

Stay Safe, Stay Home Southbury ~ Kevin Bielmeier

### **New Business Updates**

Please take the new COVID-19 Business Survey (by Advance CT). SURVEY 2.

NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY \$2,500, \$5,000 & \$10,000 grants for small businesses impacted by Covid19! Thanks to Verizon & Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC). Applications now open and CLOSE Tuesday April 28th at 11:58 p.m. Priority will be given to entrepreneurs of color, women- and veteran-owned businesses and other enterprises in historically under-served places who don't have access to flexible, affordable capital. Apply HERE.

4-23-2020 Gov. Lamont's Press Release announcing members of the Reopen CT Advisory Grp: HERE

**4-23-2020** VIDEO REPLAY: Virtual Roundtable with US Senator Blumenthal and the CT Restaurant Association <u>CLICK HERE</u>

4-23-2020 WEBINAR REPLAY: Real Estate and the Future of Work following COVID-19 hosted by MHA. <u>Recording of the Presentation HERE</u>; <u>Presentation Slides HERE</u>.

4-23-2020 VIDEO REPLAY of Danbury Chamber web call with Governor Ned Lamont, DECD Commissioner David Lehman. <u>Recording HERE</u>.

#### **Upcoming Webinars**

4-28-2020 - Positioning Your Business for Success When CT Re-Opens ~ Middlesex Chamber of Commerce, and Updike, Kelley & Spellacy, P.C. Register here

4-28-2020 – COVID-19 and the Media Danbury Chamber of Commerce. Submit questions to: pj@danburychamber.com. Register here

#### Resources

State COVID-19 Business Resources and DECD Hotline is (860) 754-8342

COVID-19 Webinar Series offered by CT Next - a webinar series focused on strategies to help entrepreneurs and small businesses manage their companies during the current crisis. For materials and content from the webinars, click <u>https://bit.ly/2Kt3BnP</u>. For links to government and other programs, services, and counseling, click <u>https://bit.ly/2VN1FMg</u>.

CT-SBDC COVID-19 Emergency Business Resource Guide: Click: HERE

Advance CT Covid-19 Resources & Upcoming Webinars: HERE

Article on Fin-tech providers helping with PPP funding: ARTICLE

Southbury Business Helpline: (203) 262-0683 or (203) 586-9782 or e: EcoDevDirector@southbury-ct.gov

For updates on social media, follow us on: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SouthburyEDC/">https://www.facebook.com/SouthburyEDC/</a>

Sign up for all business e-mails and alerts at: https://www.southbury-ct.org/bizlist

A list of restaurants offering pick-up or delivery, and all of the other food options in Southbury is kept up-to-date on the town website: <u>https://southbury-ct.org/restaurants-covid19</u>