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**COVID-19 Update 5-05-2020**

I'm curious and wondering if you could send me some feedback. I'm wondering how many businesses have applied and received money from the Small Business Association SBA – EIDL Emergency Injury Relief Loan, Unemployment from Wisconsin, Federal Unemployment, Stimulus check. Can you take a moment and reply to this email and let me know? I know the Paycheck Protection Program PPP is administered by the local banks, so I'm not concerned about that program. I'm just wondering about the other ones. Thanks for taking a moment and replying.

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**Please also take a moment to fill out this survey!!**

**Due to ongoing stress related to COVID-19, the [Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis](#) is continuing to gauge the economic effects on **businesses** across the Ninth District, a region that includes Minnesota, the Dakotas, Montana, parts of Wisconsin, and Michigan's Upper Peninsula. We are partnering with state and local chambers of commerce, economic development associations and other business groups in each state to collect**

your feedback.

**Please take this 5-minute survey** to help the Minneapolis Fed better understand business conditions at your firm at this critically important time.

**All responses are anonymous.**

This **survey** will help the Minneapolis Fed and President Neel Kashkari better understand the outbreak's effect on individual firms as well as local, regional, and state economies more broadly which, in turn, will help the Federal Reserve System shape monetary policy to help businesses weather this economic shock.

**All responses are anonymous.** We expect to share respondent comments with survey partners, and potentially the public, to better spotlight challenges facing all businesses. To maintain anonymity, please do not include any self-identifying information in any comments. If you get this survey from multiple sources, please respond to the survey only once.

The Minneapolis Fed thanks you for your time and valuable insights. We wish you, your business and community much health and resilience going forward.

Best, Ron

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Tomorrow, **Wisconsin Manufacturer's & Commerce WMC** is hosting a webinar at 10am and their guest speaker is the Department of Labor Secretary.

**Wednesday, May 6 at 10am: COVID-19 Update Webinar Featuring U.S. Secretary of Labor Eugene Scalia**

Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce (WMC), its trade association partners and local chambers invite you to a business coalition update call. The webinar will feature U.S. Secretary of Labor Eugene Scalia who will provide a federal update on the Administration's response to the public health and economic crisis. [Click Here to Register](#)

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## **As States Reopen, What Is 'Contact Tracing' and How Does it Work?**

Tens of thousands of new public health workers trained in contact tracing are needed to have any hope of heading off future outbreaks in local communities, warned Crystal Watson, a senior scholar with the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security. Contact tracing "is the best tool we have to manage this in an ongoing way and allow our economy to open up again," said Watson, who recently co-authored a major report on public health's ongoing role in reopening America. [Click here to learn more](#)

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## **COVID-19 Testing Increasing in Northwest Wisconsin**

National Guard Assists Northwestern Wisconsin in increasing testing for person with COVID – 19 symptoms.

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2020 11AM – 7PM

LAKE SUPERIOR PRIMARY/LAKE SUPERIOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1101 Binsfield Road

Please note: Free Testing will be done on people who are 5 years of age or older and are currently sick with the following symptoms: Fever, Cough, Shortness of Breath, Chills or repeated shaking with chills, Muscle pain, Headache, Fatigue, Sore Throat, Loss of taste or smell, Vomiting or Nausea.

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## **BUSINESS UPDATES:**

To see a listing of what all Chamber Member Businesses are doing during COVID-19 go to [Latest Business News & Updates page](#)

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## **BUSINESS UPDATE**

For a list of what businesses are open and how they are doing business go to <https://www.visitashland.com/events/latest-news-and-updates/>

**As a business please continue to email information regarding your business to [info@visitashland.com](mailto:info@visitashland.com) as we will continue to update the website and Facebook pages.**

## **SUPPORT YOUR SMALL BUSINESSES**

Check out our **One Stop Gift Certificate Shop** on our E-commerce page at [visitashland.com](http://visitashland.com). Many people are home from work and receiving a paycheck, and very concerned about our small businesses that have been severely impacted. Providing a one-stop shop for folks to show support of our small businesses and purchase gift cards will hopefully help some of you in this crisis situation. These are certificates for the individual businesses. This is a work in progress so please be patient and keep checking back. If you don't see your business and would like to be listed on our Chamber Store site, please email [info@visitashland.com](mailto:info@visitashland.com). <https://shop.visitashland.net/15-chamber-store>

## **CHAMBER HOURS**

In an effort to limit our people to people contact, the Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce will close the office. We want to assure you that one of our highest priorities is the health of our staff, customers and the well-being of our community regarding COVID -19. If you need anything, please call our office; we have remote access to the phone lines 715-682-2500. If you need chamber dollars reimbursed, please email Mary at [info@visitashland.com](mailto:info@visitashland.com) and we can take care of that as well.

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## **Other Links**

- [Travel Advisory for Ashland County](#)
  - [Travel Advisory for Bayfield County](#)
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