

# LAKE FOREST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Business Updates & Resources

Good afternoon,

Please review the latest updates and shared resources for businesses during the ongoing Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation.

This newsletter edition contains the following information:

- Time for Takeout
- Webinars
- Donations
- Utility Service Providers
- Business Resources

This newsletter also contains the latest press release issued by the County Emergency Operations Center. [Click here to read Press Release #27](#). For a full list of press releases, visit the OC Health website at: <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/>.

Respectfully,

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Economic Development Manager

## Time for Takeout

Time for takeout is a free service for restaurants to post takeout offers. Create family menus, meal kits, fresh items to cook at home, takeout incentives or packages that customers can pick-up. Offer great pricing and curbside if possible. It is important that you send all of the details in text (no .pdfs). Time for Takeout requires the following information:

- Restaurant Name
- address
- website
- hours
- phone number
- All details of your takeout offers. Do not send pdfs.

The site is continually adding takeout options, delivery, frozen meals as well and meal kits from a variety of restaurants. Attention Restaurants: send takeout offers to: [info@ocrestaurantassociation.org](mailto:info@ocrestaurantassociation.org)

## Continued Education/Webinars

### [Orange County/Inland Empire Small Business Development Center \(OCIE SBDC\)](#)

As concerns continue about coronavirus (COVID-19), the SBDC can help navigate through available resources, answer business questions and be a trusted partner for businesses. Check out the upcoming webinars that can help answer some of your questions.

### [SCORE Business Resources](#)

SCORE Orange County hosts live webinars every week on small business tips and strategies. Check out its webpage for a list of recorded webinars in case you missed one of interest to you.

## Donations

On Wednesday, March 25, 2020, the Orange County Health Care Agency (HCA) began accepting donations of protective equipment and supplies for use by healthcare providers throughout the county. At this time, donations are only being accepted from corporations and businesses. The following types of protective medical supplies will be accepted in only new and unopened containers and boxes:

- N-95, surgical masks and face shields (all sizes)
- Disposable gloves (all sizes)
- Eye protection
- Medical gowns: Disposable gowns and isolation gowns
- Antibacterial and disinfecting wipes

Businesses that would like to donate can call the Orange County Public Information Hotline at (714) 628-7085.

## Utility Service Providers

### Help with Financial Challenges and Payments

As the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation continues to develop, utility agencies are doing everything they can to enhance the safety and well-being of its customers and employees. If you are unable to make a bill payment, please contact your service provider immediately. Links to utility provider websites, as well as customer service phone numbers, are listed below.

[Southern California Edison \(SCE\)](#): (800) 655-4555

[Irvine Ranch Water District \(IRWD\)](#): (949) 453-5300

[So Cal Gas](#): (800) 427-2000

# Resources

## [CDC Interim Guidance & Recommendations for Business and Employers](#)

Provides up-to-date guidance and recommendations for business operations, cleaning, and sanitizing practices

## [SBA Small Business Guidance and Loan Resources](#)

Provides guidance on available financial resources for small businesses

## [U.S. Chamber of Commerce Updates & Resources for Small Businesses](#)

Provides links to available resources, information about upcoming legislative measures, and additional advice for small businesses

## [U.S. Chamber of Commerce Updates & Resources for all Businesses](#)

Provides links to available resources and suggestions for businesses in operation

## [SCORE Business Resources](#)

Provides updates on Business Consulting Services and events; hosts webinars and remote consulting services for small businesses

## Stay Up to Date!



## Like us on Social Media!

For the latest news on events and programs in the Lake Forest business community, check out our social media pages:

- Like us on [Facebook](#)
- Follow us on [LinkedIn](#)
- Follow us on [Instagram](#)

Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram will be utilized on a daily basis to promote upcoming events, highlight business resources, Lake Forest job listings, Business Spotlights, and business success stories to better connect with the Lake Forest business community and promote businesses to residents.



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