

COVID-19 UPDATES & INFORMATION

DUBLIN BUSINESS BRIEF



December 3, 2020 Special Notice

Governor Announces New Regional Stay-at-Home Order

On December 3, 2020, the Governor announced a new Regional Stay-at-Home Order that is directly tied to hospital intensive care unit (ICU) capacity. The new Regional Stay-at-Home Order will go into effect within 48 hours in regions with less than 15% ICU capacity. **Currently, the Bay Area region will likely be subject to the new stay-at-home order by mid-to-late December.**

For more information about this order, visit the State's COVID-19 [website](#).

CALIFORNIA'S REGIONAL STAY-AT-HOME ORDER MAP



Small Business Digital Pop-Up Festivals

Wednesday, December 9

On Instagram via [@keepitoakland18](https://www.instagram.com/keepitoakland18)

The California Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA), part of the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz), is hosting a series of interactive festivals to showcase local and diverse small businesses through social media channels, creating online neighborhood shopping experiences across the state.

Launched by CalOSBA in September, "Get Digital CA!" is an e-commerce initiative to promote accelerators and intensive trainings so that small businesses build the skills necessary to compete in an online marketplace.

- Facebook will offer trainings that show business owners how to use digital platforms to build their businesses and engage with customers.



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- Instagram will offer trainings that include tips, tricks, and best practices for small businesses participating so owners are fully prepared to "go live" and reach their target audience in creative ways.

For more information and the full schedule, visit the [Get Digital CA! webpage](#).

Updated State Guidance for Restaurants, Wineries, and Bars

On November 25, the State updated their guidance for Restaurants, Bars (including Brewpubs, Breweries, and Distilleries), and Wineries.

Business operators in those industries should review the updated State [guidances](#) for full details.

Summary of State-level changes from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH):

- Separated the Restaurants, Wineries, and Bars guidance into three separate guidance documents.
- Added Tiers language;
 - Included information about performances/performers in these settings and references forthcoming live performances guidance.
- Added language about ventilation.
- Revised the Face Coverings section to reference CDPH guidance.
- Includes consideration for employers to provide a second barrier (e.g., face shield or safety goggles) to workers who consistently come within six feet of customers and co-workers.
- Includes physical distancing between tables measuring from the backs of the chairs.

Currently, Alameda County is in the purple tier and allows the following:

- Outdoor dining
- Outdoor bars/brewpubs/breweries/distilleries with a meal requirement
- Outdoor wine tasting



The Alameda County Department of Environmental Health is updating its Restaurant Operating Procedures to align with the State's changes, and the revised document will be available on their [website](#) in the coming days.

State Financial Assistance to Support Small Businesses

With most of the State currently in the Purple Tier, Governor Newsom noted the economic impact of the tightened restrictions on the small business sector and the significant challenge to small businesses, employers, and employees that the COVID-19 ongoing pandemic has presented. Recently, he announced the following

State support for small businesses:

\$500 Million for New COVID Relief Grants for Small Businesses

The California Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA) will administer a new \$500 million COVID Relief Grant Program for small businesses that have been impacted by COVID and the health and safety restrictions.

- Funds will be awarded to selected intermediaries with established networks of Community Development Financial Institutions ([CDFI](#)) to distribute grants up to \$25,000 to underserved small businesses, non-profits, and cultural institutions throughout the State by early 2021.
- CalOSBA is establishing the program and will make it available to small businesses as soon as possible.

Updates on availability will be posted on the CalOSBA [website](#).

Main Street Hiring Tax Credit

Businesses will receive \$1,000 in tax credit when a qualified employee is hired.

- Each business employer can receive up to \$100,000.
- To qualify, a business must have employed 100 or fewer employees as of December 31, 2019, and suffered at least a 50% decrease in income tax gross receipts (generally, all income less returns and allowances), when comparing second quarter 2020 to second quarter 2019.
- Applications can be submitted to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA).

The application, and additional information, can be accessed on the CDTFA [website](#).

Temporary Sales Tax Relief

- CDTFA will provide an automatic three-month extension for small businesses with less than \$1 million in sales tax.
- Extend interest-free payment agreements to larger companies with up to \$5 million in sales tax.
- The sales tax assistance will expand to industries heavily impacted by operations restrictions including bars, restaurants, hair salons, etc.

Visit the CDTFA [website](#). ([Versión en Español.](#))

Tax Credit and Filing Assistance Information for Businesses

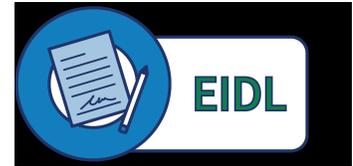
America's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and the Association of Women Business Center, with support from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), has created a website, [covid-sb.org](#), to provide small businesses with access to a consolidation of COVID-19 related information and resources from multiple federal agencies.



The website includes information on COVID-19 tax and filing requirements related to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. If you need additional information, connect with the Alameda County SBDC or another trusted SBA partner to speak with a business advisor.

For more information about tax credit and filing assistance, visit the [website](#).

There is Still Time to Apply for a COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan



Reminder! If you are a small business, nonprofit organization of any size, or a U.S. agricultural business with 500 or fewer employees that have suffered substantial economic injury as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, you can still apply for the COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) from the Small Business Administration (SBA).

For more information about eligibility or to apply, visit the SBA [website](#).

We Are Here for You

The City of Dublin appreciates our business community and remains committed to being your source for reliable and accessible information and resources.

In addition to the COVID-19 [Business Impacts webpage](#), we have compiled a COVID-19 [Business Resource Guide](#) (PDF, last updated 9/3/2020). Be sure to also visit the City's [COVID-19 webpage](#) with up-to-date information and resources about the pandemic.

The Economic Development Division team is available via [email](#) or by calling 925-833-6650. Language assistance is available over the phone by request.

The COVID-19 Dublin Business Brief is a publication highlighting the latest news and events affecting the business community. For more information or assistance, please contact the Office of Economic Development via [email](#) or phone (925) 833-6650.

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