

Governor DeSantis Activates Emergency Business Damage Assessment Survey for Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Governor Ron DeSantis has announced the activation of the Business Damage Assessment survey to assess the impact of COVID-19 on Florida's local business operations. The survey, managed by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), will evaluate businesses affected by COVID-19 and the impacts the virus has had on the local economy so actions to implement appropriate relief programs can begin.

"Gathering information about the impact COVID-19 has on Florida businesses and industries will be invaluable to the state's efforts in coordinating our response," **said Governor DeSantis**. "It is important that we understand the total impact COVID-19 has on businesses to ensure that we access the resources that may be available."

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Results from this survey will be shared with state agencies and local partners. Surveys submitted by small businesses can be used to access the Small Business Administration's Economic Injury Disaster Loan, made available for COVID-19 through the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act. For inquiries or assistance with the survey, **businesses can contact Emergency Support Function 18 at ESF18@em.myflorida.com**.

Under Governor DeSantis' direction, the state of Florida has maintained contact with our business partners throughout the state in order to develop a proactive response for COVID-19 business impacts," **said Florida DEO Executive Director Ken Lawson**. "We need feedback from all Florida businesses to provide comprehensive information about the impacts of COVID-19 to our partners at the federal level."

Click Here to Take the Survey [r20.rs6.net]

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We urge all businesses to take the time to complete the survey. It will help the Governor and it will ultimately help us.
