



# Webinar Wednesdays COVID-19 RESOURCES

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# ACENET'S MISSION

**The Appalachian Center for Economic Networks**  
is a regional entrepreneurship and economic  
development organization located in Athens, Ohio.

ACEnet builds the capacity of communities to  
network, work together and innovate to create a  
dynamic, sustainable regional economy with  
opportunities for all.





# Sustaining Rural Livelihoods







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# ACEnet Resources

- Food facilities remain open in Athens & Nelsonville
- Food Ventures staff can continue to assist food entrepreneurs
- Training, technical assistance and marketing staff available through calls & emails
- Workshops will go virtual – “Webinar Wednesdays” stay tuned for topics
- ACEnet sector “hangouts” for entrepreneurs to talk, share & support
- ACEnet e-newsletter will come out more frequently with resource info
- Surveys will be sent out to collect needs
- Email [leslies@acenetnetworks.org](mailto:leslies@acenetnetworks.org)





# Small Business Resources

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has qualified the State of Ohio for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan program.

Ohio businesses and non-profits economically impacted by the outbreak of COVID-19 may now apply for a low-interest loan of up to \$2 million to help pay for fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills that can't be paid because of the disaster's impact. You can apply here: <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/> (recommended), or by calling 1-800-659-2955 to have an application mailed to you.

To expedite the application process, applicants should have ready complete copies of their most recent federal income tax return and a completed and signed [IRS Form 4506T](#), which authorizes the release of tax information. Additional information to have available would be a schedule of liabilities, personal financial statement, monthly sales figures, a current year-to-date profit-and-loss statement, and a year-end profit-and-loss statement and balance sheet for that tax year if the most recent federal income tax return has not been filed.

## SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan



# Small Business Resources

## Ohio's Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC)

Ohio's Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) system is the exclusive provider of workers' compensation insurance in Ohio and serves 249,000 public and private employers. To help businesses facing difficulties due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Ohio BWC is announcing the deferment of insurance premium installment payments for March, April and May until June 1, 2020. For more information, visit [bwc.ohio.gov](http://bwc.ohio.gov).

## State of Ohio Sites & Guides



# Small Business Resources

## Grace Period for Health Insurance Premiums

All health insurers are required to provide the option of deferring premium payments, interest free, for up to 60 calendar days from each original premium due date. This means that employers can defer their premium payments up to two months, giving them some relief on costs, while keeping their employees insured.

<https://iop-odi-content.s3.amazonaws.com/static/Legal/Bulletins/Documents/2020-03.pdf>

## State of Ohio Sites & Guides





# Small Business Resources

## Pay benefits for reduced work hours

SharedWork Ohio allows workers to remain employed and employers to retain trained staff during times of reduced business activity. The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services provides eligible individuals an unemployment insurance benefit proportionate to their reduced hours. To learn

more: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/SharedWorkOhio/>

## State of Ohio Sites & Guides



# Small Business Resources

The DeWine-Husted Administration has worked with representatives from Ohio's banking community.

Banks across the state are taking steps to offer loan payment deferrals, fee waivers or refunds and extend credit lines to both businesses and individuals. Many banks are also suspending foreclosures where possible. Recent federal guidelines give financial institutions more tools to help Ohioans and the banking industry has welcomed these changes.

Banks are also showing customers how to protect themselves from coronavirus-related scams and encouraging Ohioans to use digital banking features like mobile apps, online banking or banking by phone. If you need help, please reach out to your bank for assistance.

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## State of Ohio Sites & Guides



# Small Business Resources



## COVID-19 RESOURCES for OhioSE

<https://apeg.com/covid-19-resources>

- [SBA \(Small Business Administration\) Disaster Loan Assistance](#) (because of Governor Mike DeWine's emergency declaration, Ohio businesses will be eligible for [Economic Impact Loans](#))
- [Updated Info: SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan Process](#) provided by Ohio University SBDC
- [U.S. Chamber of Commerce: Combating the Coronavirus](#)
- [CDC Resources for Businesses and Employers](#)
- [Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers from the CDC](#)
- [Coronavirus: What You Need to Know](#) provided by the National Governor's Association
- [US Department of Labor Coronavirus Resources](#)
- [US Department of Labor](#): Wage and Hour Division has pages up for questions about how this emergency affects both the [Fair Labor Standards Act](#) and the [Family and Medical Leave Act](#). They are working to provide information on labor and employee relations relating to wages and employment as COVID-19 continues to create challenges in the workplace.
- [OSHA Guidance for Prepping Workplaces for COVID-19](#)
- [IRS Coronavirus Tax Relief](#)
- [Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#)

### State of Ohio:

- [Ohio Department of Insurance](#): order has been issued by Lt. Governor for employers to take care of their employees' health insurance during the state's shutdown due to COVID-19 coronavirus. It also give employers a two-month grace period to pay insurance premiums to their insurance providers. Details under the tab, Insurance and Coronavirus COVID-19.
- [Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation](#): Ohio BWC will allow businesses to forgo payments in March, April and May, and defer payments until June 1, leaving an estimated \$200Million in the state economy. Read details on BWC website.
- [Ohio Department of Commerce](#)
- [Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#)
- [ODJFS Coronavirus and Unemployment Insurance Benefits](#)
- [Liquor Buy Back](#) (for impacted bars & restaurants)

### Regional:

Has your organization or do you know of organizations in the OhioSE region who have developed local resources? Please email Heather Church at [heather@ohiose.com](mailto:heather@ohiose.com) for inclusion.

## APEG Resources





# Small Business Resources

March 16, 2020

## BUSINESS TOOL KIT FOR COVID-19

### Business Survey

How Is COVID-19 Affecting Your Business?

Take a short survey to help us identify opportunities for financial relief and prepare advocacy materials to inform state & federal stimulus packages that will help Athens County recover from implications of the COVID-19 outbreak.

Individual responses will remain confidential.

Take the survey [HERE](#)



### Athens County Resource Guide for Businesses Impacted by COVID-19

The Athens County Economic Development Council, Athens Area Chamber of Commerce and Athens County Convention & Visitors Bureau created this resource guide to help area businesses navigate through financial challenges they may be facing as a direct result of the COVID-19 virus pandemic. We will update as new assistance programs and resources become available at the local, state and federal levels. This document categorizes assistance into three priority focus areas: **1) Resources, 2) Relief, 3) Rebound.**

#### RESOURCES

- Visit the [Ohio COVID-19 resource website](#) for a list of programs and resources made available to businesses.
- Review the US Department of Homeland Security's list of ["Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers,"](#) which identifies businesses permitted to maintain a normal work schedule.
- Review the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce's [COVID-19 Toolkit](#), which is updated as more information and news is received from state and local authorities.
- Visit the [Ohio Department of Health](#) for frequent COVID-19 updates.
- Frequently check the Ohio Travel Association's [resources and information page](#) and Ohio Hotel & Lodging Association's [resource page](#).
- Check the Athens County Convention & Visitors Bureau for [canceled community events](#).

#### RELIEF

- Reach out to your bank/lender to find out what types of programs or accommodations they may be able to offer you (e.g. flexible terms, deferred interest only payments, etc.)
- Visit [unemployment.ohio.gov](#) to file for unemployment and email [LTCtech@its.ohio.gov](#) with any questions.
- Learn about the [SharedWork Ohio](#) program, which allows workers to remain employed and employers to retain their staff during times of reduced business activity.
- Apply to the [SBA Disaster Loan Assistance program](#). Your local [Small Business Development Center](#) can assist you with your application.
- Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation is allowing businesses to forgo payments in March, April and May, and to defer payments until June 1. Learn more at [www.bwc.ohio.gov](#).
- The LI Governor issued an order for employers to pay for employees' health insurance during the state's shutdown due to COVID-19. Employees will have a two-month grace period to pay insurance premiums to their insurance providers. Details can be found [HERE](#).

# Athens Area Chamber of Commerce

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# Small Business Resources



## Be a Part of the Efforts

We are asking businesses to take part in two efforts to help elevate the business community.

#InThisTogetherOhio

In partnership with the Athens County Visitor's Bureau and TourismOhio we are working on an #InThisTogetherOhio video that also encourages Ohioans to order from Ohio restaurants and buy online from Ohio retailers that are doing online sales.

## How is COVID-19 Affecting Your Business?

Take a short survey to help us identify opportunities for financial relief and prepare advocacy materials to inform state & federal stimulus packages that will help Athens County recover from implications of the COVID-19 outbreak.

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[Take Survey](#)

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# Small Business Resources

Visit Athens Ohio  
March 17 at 8:30 AM · 6

We're keeping a running list of available food resources. From local take-out to free lunches. Please keep checking back as the it's ever evolving. Stay well.

<http://athensohio.com/.../available-food-resources-for-covid.../>



## we're open for business

with restrictions on how some businesses can operate, and to meet staffing and hygiene demands, some of our members have made a few changes in how they do business- but they are open!

### BANKS

**ATOMIC CU**  
740-594-8185  
ALL Locations  
Regular Business Hours  
Lobbies **CLOSED**  
Bankers available by  
appointment only  
Drive-thru available at East State Street

**CENTURY NAT'L BANK**  
740-593-7756  
20 E Stimson  
Regular Business Hours  
Lobbies **CLOSED**  
Drive-thru available

**HOCKING VALLEY BANK**  
740-592-4441  
ALL Locations  
Regular Business Hours  
no changes at this time

**MERCHANTS NAT'L BANK**  
740-593-5205  
20 E Stimson  
Regular Business Hours  
Lobbies **CLOSED** eff 03/21

**PEOPLES BANK**  
740-593-7761  
ALL Locations  
Regular Business Hours  
Lobbies **CLOSED**  
Bankers available by  
appointment only  
Drive-thru available at most locations

**OHIO UNIVERSITY CU**  
740-597-2800  
ALL Locations  
Regular Business Hours  
Lobbies **CLOSED**  
Online/mobile, ATM, drive-thru,  
phone banking available

**UNIFIED BANK**  
740-753-4313 ext. 2230  
873 Chestnut St  
Regular Business Hours  
Lobbies **CLOSED**  
Online/mobile, ATM, drive-thru open  
phone banking available

**WESBANCO**  
740-753-4313 ext. 2230  
505 Richland Ave  
Regular Business Hours  
Lobbies **CLOSED**  
Bankers available by  
appointment only  
Online/mobile, ATM, drive-thru open

### SERVICE

**FEDEX OFFICE**  
740-592-4787  
Mon-Fri 9am-9  
Sat 10am-6  
Sun 12pm-6pm

**GOOD CLEANERS**  
740-592-9667  
12 W Stimson  
8am - 10 pm

**RETAIL  
BEVERAGE  
DINING**  
listed seperately

Please Note: The health restrictions are evolving on a daily basis, and while we have done our best to be timely with updates and chages to these listings- REMEMBER: if in doubt- please reach out

Make sure the ACCVB has your up to date info. Both the tourism and Chamber staff are promoting the info on social media, websites and in local media

# Athens County Convention & Visitors Bureau

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# Small Business Resources

To all restaurants & food service operators still in operation: [ServSafe](#) and the [National Restaurant Association](#) have recorded a webinar regarding appropriate response measures to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Topics include: The latest developments related to the Coronavirus.
- How to prepare restaurants for virus prevention.
- Answers to the Frequently Asked Questions from the industry.

Feel free to pass along to other restaurant and food-service operators in our community and beyond. You can view this webinar here: <https://tinyurl.com/Coronavirus-and-Food-Service>

## Restaurant & Foodservice



# Local Funds being Developed

Rural Action, a 501c3 non-profit, has agreed to be the home for an emergency response fund to be used by local businesses, farmers and community-based organizations in Athens County to address the immediate impacts of this region's coronavirus outbreak, as well as the impacts of mandated closures of local and state institutions.

A committee of individuals from several local organizations and non-profits will make funding decisions. Rural Action will not make those decisions independently, but will be able to accept tax-deductible donations earmarked for this purpose. The committee will proactively identify potential grant recipients, solicit guidance on potential recipients from community advisors, and recommend final awards.

For more information, [COVID-19 Athens County Response Fund](#)



**COVID-19 Athens County Response Fund**  
Fundraiser for Rural Action Inc by Zach Reizes

\$17,155 raised of \$20,000

## Athens County COVID-19 Fund



# Local Funds being Developed



**Rural Action**  
Thriving Communities, Healthy Environments

## COVID-19 Response Fund Application

Hosted by Rural Action, the COVID-19 Response Fund provides flexible resources to organizations in our region working with communities who are disproportionately impacted by coronavirus and the economic consequences of this outbreak, as well as attempt to alleviate impacts for specific businesses, farms and others on a case-by-case basis.

The first phase of grants will work to address the economic impact of reduced and lost work due to the broader COVID-19 outbreak, the immediate needs of economically vulnerable populations caused by COVID-19 related closures, and the needs of our local businesses.

A committee of individuals from Rural Action, ACEnet, United Campus Ministry, the City of Athens, and the Athens County Foundation will make funding decisions for Athens County. A similar committee will decide for Perry County. Funds will be released on a rolling basis as fundraising continues throughout the outbreak and recovery phases of the crisis.

Ohio Southeast Economic Development (formerly APEG) has compiled a list of resources for businesses to help during the crisis, which includes links to the new SBA deferred payment loans. You can find those additional resources here:

<https://apeg.com/covid-19-resources>

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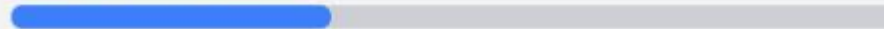


## COVID-19 Perry County Response Fund

Fundraiser for Rural Action Inc by Tom Johnson

Join me in raising fund to help with Perry County's response to the coronavirus with a fund to be overseen by Co... [Continue Reading](#)

\$2,185 raised of \$6,000



# Athens County COVID-19 Fund

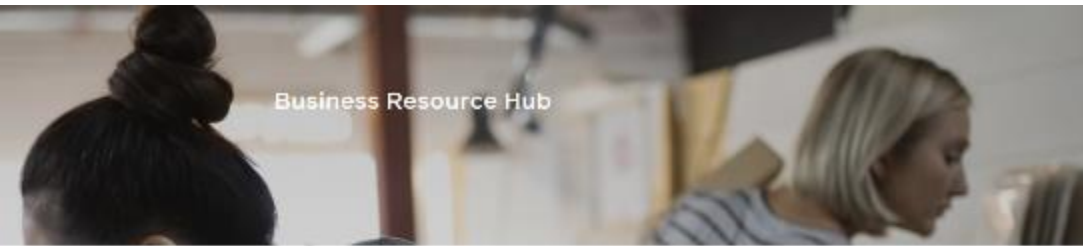
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# Grants & Loan Availability



## Business Resource Hub

### Managing through and building resilience during the COVID-19 outbreak

All Facebook users are working to keep people safe and informed about the recent outbreak of COVID-19. We know that customers of the communities you serve. Facebook is working to help businesses stay open and provide support as possible.

#### Here are 5 steps you can take today:

- 1. Keep yourself safe and informed +
- 2. Stay in touch with your customers +
- 3. Try having online events +
- 4. Prepare a customer service plan +
- 5. Provide a list of frequently asked questions (FAQ) +

## Facebook Small Business Grants Program

We know that your business may be experiencing disruptions resulting from the global outbreak of COVID-19. We've heard that a little financial support can go a long way, so we are offering \$100M in cash grants and ad credits to help during this challenging time.



### Who's eligible?

Facebook is offering \$100M in cash grants and ad credits for up to 30,000 eligible small businesses in over 30 countries where we operate. We'll share more details as they become available.

### How the program can help

#### Examples:

- 1. Keep your workforce going strong
- 2. Help with your rent costs
- 3. Connect with more customers
- 4. Cover operational costs

# Facebook



# Rural Development Loans

Rural Business-Cooperative Service • Beginning immediately, through July 31, 2020, USDA Business and Industry Loan Guarantees (B&I) and Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) Guaranteed lenders may assist borrowers experiencing temporary cash flow issues by deferring payments for a period no longer than 120 days. The lender must notify The Agency in writing of any payment deferments. Written notification to the Agency will meet the standard for concurrence until July 31, 2020. A response from the Agency is not required. This guidance applies to ALL borrowers that had a current repayment status as of March 1, 2020.

Call the state office or go online



# Working with Your Bank

- Incredible support is being provided by our local bank partners
- Loan payments are being waived
- New loans & lines of credit are available
- Please reach out to you local bank to uncover resources that can be expedited

Many Local Banks are Waiving Loan Payments





# Small Business Resources

## Liquor Buyback Program for Bars/Restaurants

If you own a bar and/or restaurant and you stocked your business with alcohol for St. Patrick's Day celebrations and NCAA basketball tournament games, you can reach out to the Liquor Enterprise Service Center at 1-877-812-0013 or e-mail [OhioLiquorInfo@com.ohio.gov](mailto:OhioLiquorInfo@com.ohio.gov) for information on a one time liquor buyback.

## Restaurant & Foodservice



# Resources for Artisans & Makers

Continue to check out the following web sites for recent info & resources:

- [Ohio Arts Council](#)
- [Americans for the Arts](#)
- [National Endowment for the Arts](#) – resource page on COVID impacts
- [Creative-Capital.org](#) --- listing of national resources with links
- [Kickstarter](#) also has a list
- [Artworkarchive.com](#) – links for professional craft persons
- [Artiststhrive.org/covid-19](#)
- [loby.org/covid-19](#) -- info on possible future projects



# Resources for Artisans & Makers

Potential funds geared to individual entrepreneurs worth exploring:

- Artist Relief Project - [Artistreliefproject.org](http://Artistreliefproject.org)
- [Foundationforcontemporaryarts.org](http://Foundationforcontemporaryarts.org) --- \$1,000 grants for canceled performance or exhibitions
- The Ohio Arts Council have grants for individual artists
- Artist Fellowship Inc. --<https://www.4culture.org/cultural-relief-fund/>
- **Anonymous Was a Woman** - <https://www.nyfa.org/Content/Show/Anonymous-Was-A-Woman-Emergency-Relief-Grant>
- The Photographer Fund - <https://www.format.com/photographer-fund>
- Arts and Culture Leaders of Color Emergency Fund-  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfv4AazvLFVUNAgXoxqBqfZ7jJVkrMroa-CET6Vt6XygR-CaQ/viewform>





# Resources & Relief

- NEA applications are waiving many of the match requirements
- Consider the Ohio Arts Council grants
- Arts Fund-<https://www.artsfund.org/covid-19-relief-fund/>
- Cultural Relief Fund-<https://www.4culture.org/cultural-relief-fund/>

## Art Organizations



# Resources & Relief Availability

**Some of the resources for musicians:**

- **Musicians Foundation**
- **Jazz Musicians Emergency Fund**
- **MusicCares Foundation**
- **Music Maker Relief Foundation**
- **Sweet Relief Musicians Fund**

**Musicians**



# Resources for Farmers - OEFFA

OHIO ECOLOGICAL FOOD AND FARM ASSOCIATION



Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association

OEFFA HOME OEFFA NEWS JOIN DONATE CERTIFICATION GOOD EARTH GUIDE EVENTS STAFF

## COVID-19: News and Resources

The implications of COVID-19 continue to multiply and deepen. This national emergency is having deep impacts on our farming community, and we are working on ways to help.

Please watch this page for additional information and resources that can help our farmers, food and farm workers, and consumers navigate this unprecedented challenge.

### OEFFA Operations and Certification Services

OEFFA remains open for business, albeit with some changes. For the foreseeable future, all events, including the annual Sustainable Farm Tour and Workshop Series, have been cancelled or moved online.

We are responding to emails, receiving your 2020 applications for certification, and maintaining other functions. We are working to develop a contingency plan for organic inspections during a pandemic. Operations with questions about how travel restrictions will affect their certification in the short-term can contact us directly to discuss their situation.

You may continue to call the office and expect the phone to be answered. Direct calls regarding Certification to (614) 262-2022. All other calls should go to (614) 421-2022. If you are calling an individual staff member, you can find their direct line on our staff directory [here](#).

For a more detailed update on OEFFA's operations and certification services, read [this announcement](#) from March 23, 2020.



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## Farmer and Farmers' Market Resources

- **Ohio Stay at Home Order**—The state of Ohio has issued a Stay at Home order through April 6. Agricultural operations and farmers' markets have been identified as "essential." Read OEFFA's blog post for an analysis of the order for small farmers and related businesses.
- **Template In-Transit Letter for Agriculture Employees**—This is a template letter agricultural businesses and employees can edit, print, and carry while driving and engaged in business during Ohio's Stay at Home order.
- **Good Earth Guide**—OEFFA members can list their farms and food businesses at no cost on this online directory.
- **Seasonal Farm Jobs**—If you're looking for labor, this is a free listing service for seasonal farm job seekers and host farmers using sustainable growing practices.
- **Building Farm Resilience in this Crisis**—This compilation of resources from Cornell's Small Farms Program includes a thoughtful post with recommendations on building resilience and nourishing inspiration.
- **Farmers Market Coalition**—This national network is providing daily updates compiling best practices for markets.
- **CSA Innovation Network**—This network has crowd-sourced a Google Doc for COVID-19 response resources for CSAs.
- **Ohio Farmers Market Network**—This network provides support and resources for market managers and market vendors. They are working to develop best practices and recommended alterations to market operation during the COVID-19 containment. Follow them on Facebook.
- **Ohio State University Extension COVID-19 Resource Page**—OSU will be posting resources on food safety and more.
- **Ohio State University Extension COVID-19 Factsheets**—OSU's Produce Safety Team has compiled factsheets on produce safety, community health, and best practices for markets, restaurants, and foodbanks.
- **Produce Perks Midwest**—Produce Perks is working to keep SNAP accessible as farmers and markets find ways to operate under social distancing and the state adjusts to new flexibility from Congress.
- **USDA COVID-19 website**—Find the latest news from the U.S. Department of Agriculture on COVID-19.
- **H2A Visa Program**—Find news and resources for employers of H-2A agricultural workers.
- **COVID-19 FAQ for Farmers Markets**—North Carolina State University has released guidance for farmers markets.

## Online Marketing Resources

- **Online Platform Comparison Chart**—This SARE-funded research compares the cost, service, and experience of various online sales platforms.
- **Barn2Door**
- **Buckeye Harvest Market**
- **Cropolis**
- **Farmigo**
- **Food4All**
- **Google Sheets**
- **Grazecart**
- **Local Line**
- **Market Link**
- **Market Wagon**
- **Online Farmers Markets**
- **Open Food Network**
- **Ruko**
- **RoadWarrior Route Planner**
- **Shopify**
- **Square**
- **Tend**
- **Yellow Bird Foodshed**

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# Resources for Farmers - NSAC

## Agriculture Provisions

- The most significant agricultural provision is the creation of a new \$9.5 billion disaster relief program to provide “support for producers impacted by the coronavirus.” The funding is reserved for:
- Specialty crop producers
- Livestock producers (including dairy)
- Producers that supply local food systems (including farmers markets, restaurants, and schools)

The inclusion of farmers who have lost their direct markets is **a major win for NSAC**. An [economic analysis](#) developed for NSAC found that farmers who have lost access to direct markets as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 crisis and “social distancing” restrictions stand to lose more than \$1 billion in sales this year.



# Resources for Farmers-Farm Aid



[www.farmaid.org](http://www.farmaid.org)

Has extensive resources on their website

They also share ways to advocate on farmers & local food issues





# Entrepreneurs Providing Help



## Avalanche Pizza – Feeding Kids & Families

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**Josh Thomas**

March 23 at 7:10 PM · 🌐

Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of people here in Athens and of former Athens/OU Alumni, Brenen's will continue to have at least 30 BOXED LUNCHES AVAILABLE EVERY DAY THIS WEEK (Tuesday-Friday) for those in need to pick up!! And we will also have loaves of bread to hand out as well. A huge THANK YOU to all those who have contacted us to donate!

Please, please share so these lunches get to those who need them!



## Brenen's

# CFI Providing Help

Donations to this project are eligible for a **50% match** \*

Hunger | United States | Project #30332

## Feed Families in Appalachian Ohio

by Community Food Initiatives



**\$21,465** raised of \$24,500 goal

342 donations      \$3,035 to go

**DONATE NOW**

Donate once      Donate monthly

<b>\$10</b> USD	Buys 10 pounds of local produce at a farmers market or produce auction	>
<b>\$20</b> USD	Provides a "Grow a Row Participant Kit" to a community gardener so that they can grow produce for the Donation Station	>
	Buys containers to help us	>

## Feeding Initiatives





# Entrepreneurs Providing Help

## CLOTH SURGICAL FACE MASK PATTERN (INSTRUCTIONS ONLY)

### SUPPLIES:

Fabric scraps (Need 1 light and 1 dark color fabric for visible contrast)  
Sewing machine or serger  
1/2in of 1/4in elastic (any name elastic works)  
2in wire (thinner gauge enough to bend and hold for nose piece. Can even use paper/poi! Make sure to bend wire so the wire does not press through fabric)

**STEP 1:** Cut 2 of pattern A fabric right sides together, cut 2 of pattern B fabric right sides together. Cut 2, 6.5in pieces of 1/4in elastic.

**STEP 2:** Fold pattern A fabric 1/4in from end (as shown on pattern) top stitch down.

**STEP 3:** Fold pattern B fabric 1/2in from end (as shown on pattern) top stitch down.

**STEP 4:** With pattern A fabric right sides together, sew curved seam to create the center of mask with 1/4in seam allowance with a straight stitch. Clip curved seam to allow seam to lay flat.

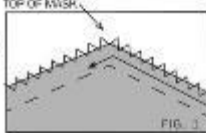
**STEP 5:** With pattern B fabric right sides together, sew curved seam to create the center of the mask with 1/4in seam allowance. Clip curved seam to allow seam to lay flat.

**STEP 6:** Match pattern A and B at middle seam (nose seams) and stitch with 1/4in seam allowance both layers together at top and bottom (leaving ends open). Pattern A WILL BE LONGER THAN pattern B!

**STEP 7:** Before turning right sides out, zigzag stitch pattern A and B edges together at the nose of the mask (2in down from top point on both sides, 4in total). (See FIG. 1)

**STEP 8:** Slide wire between 1/4in seam allowance and zigzagged edge at nose point, bend slightly around the curve.

TOP OF MASK  
ZIG ZAG FABRIC LAYERS AT TOP OF MASK (FOR NOSE)



\*\*ADD WIRE BEFORE TURNING

WIRE CUT AT 3IN

**STEP 9:** Turn mask right side out using the side openings.

**STEP 10:** Fold pattern A (folded edge) down to meet pattern B (folded edge), top stitch pattern A 1/4in from fold to form a tube and for elastic.

**STEP 11:** Slide 0.5in piece of elastic through tube opening on both ends of mask (pattern A side), bring both ends of elastic together and stitch 1/4in, stitch back and forth a few times to secure the ends together using a straight stitch to reinforce a seal.

**STEP 12:** Tuck seam ends of elastic through tube and YOU ARE FINISHED!



## Making Masks

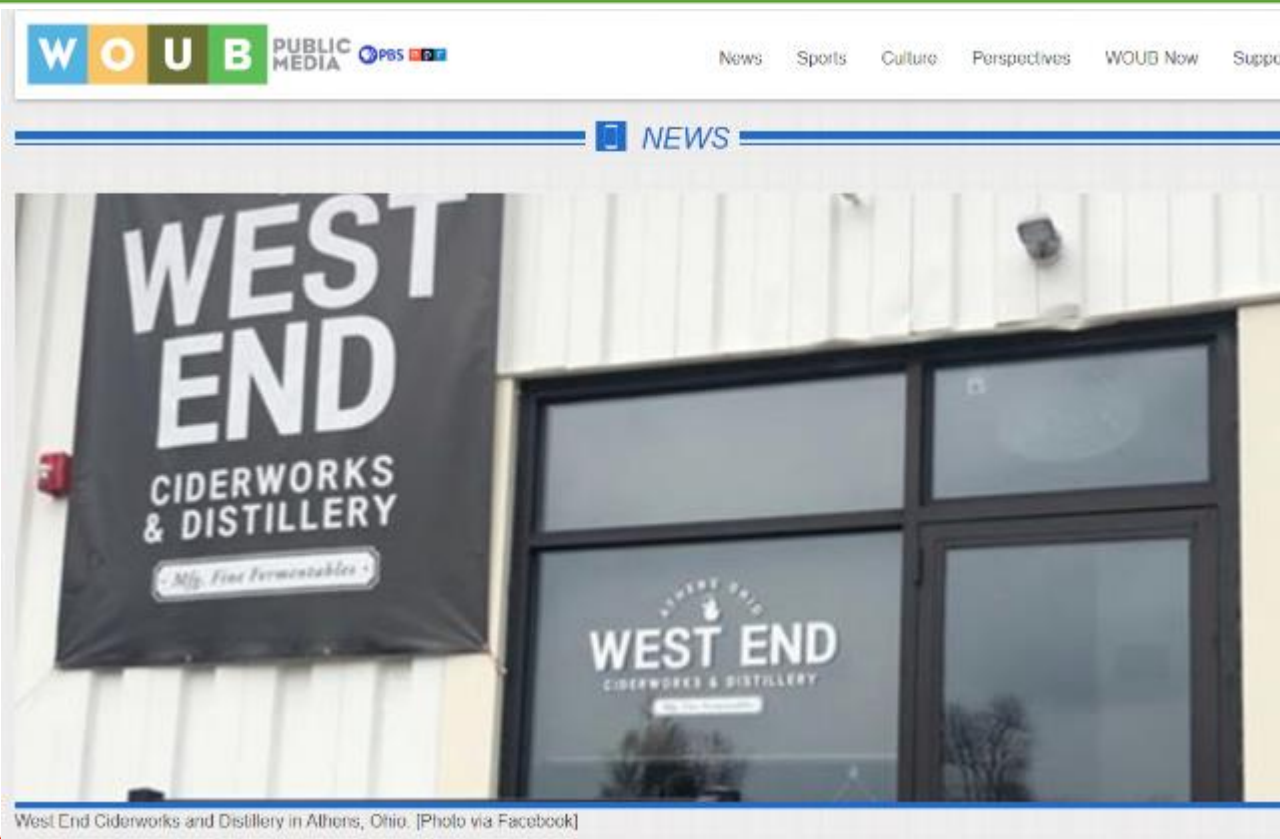
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# Entrepreneurs Providing Help



## Making Hand Sanitizer – Selling Local

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