Virtual Educational Opportunities

- Thurs. April 16 at 1:00 p.m. Telephone Town Hall with Senator Michael Bennet - The call will start with an overview of the $2 trillion Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act health and economic package which was signed into law on March 27th. After the presentations, you will have an opportunity to ask questions. RSVP here.
- Thurs. April 16: at 2:00 p.m. Webinar answering Unemployment Questions - offered by the Ski Hi News, featuring Jessica Valand, Director of the Northwest Workforce Area for the Colorado Department of Labor and Unemployment. Register here.
- Fri. April 17 at 1:00 p.m. Weekly Update from the Northwest Colorado Small Business Development Center. Join here: https://cuboulder.zoom.us/j/863837735
- Fri. April 17 at 1:00 p.m Helping Entrepreneurs Complete Strong PPP Applications offered by the National Development Council. Register here.

Funding & Technical Assistance

CLICK HERE. One-stop-shop for small business assistance during COVID-19.

Complimentary Business Consulting
Colorado Mountain College is offering no-cost business coaching and consulting services to local businesses in this time of need. here

Go to College Now -Colorado Mountain College Waiving Summer Tuition, Fees and Books
For the summer 2020 semester, CMC is waiving tuition, books and fees for new or returning students who qualify as in-district, in-state students who took credit courses in spring 2020, and displaced workers due to COVID-19 public health orders who live in the CMC district. ESL and GED courses are included, as well as classes for local high school students hoping to earn college credits after a disruptive spring semester. Learn more here.

Clearinghouse of Funding Sources
The Colorado Office Economic Development and International Trade has compiled a list of available grants, loans, and other funding opportunities offered throughout Colorado and nationally. This list is continuously being updated, so be sure to check back for frequently for additional resources.

COVID19 Colorado Creates Relief Grant
Deadline: May 13. This grant is a one-time payment for general operating support to non-profit arts organizations in Colorado with an annual operating budget of less than $1 million. Priority will be given to small and mid-size organizations, particularly those working
Rocky Mountain Health Foundation
More info here. Rapid Response Grant funds to quickly deploy resources to serve the most vulnerable, with a focus on agencies responding to critical issues surrounding the COVID-19 crisis. Examples of direct services that may be funded include: funding for critical needs for the clients of nonprofits, including transportation, medical care, mental health services, childcare, and food security; Telehealth support (equipment, broadband access); Quarantine supplies and prevention-related items such as sanitizing supplies and equipment.

Colorado COVID Relief Fund
Eligible community-based organizations may receive a general operating grant. The current Fund application deadlines are every two weeks. On April 13th, Community Resource Center and Philanthropy Colorado are facilitating a webinar reviewing the Colorado COVID Relief Fund.

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
CARES Act | Additional Resources
The Womenâ€™s Foundation of Colorado
Women and Families of CO Relief Fund | Deadline 4/14

Boettcher Foundation
COVID Biomedical Research Innovation Fund | Deadline 4/17

Philanthropy Colorado COVID-19 Resources
Visit their website to learn more about Colorado’s philanthropic response to COVID-19.

Colorado COVID Relief Fund - Colorado Health Foundation
Colorado COVID Relief Fund allocates funding across Colorado to eligible community-based organizations. Eligible community-based organizations working on COVID-19 prevention, impact and recovery may receive unrestricted general operating grants of up to $25,000. There are currently five grant application deadlines, contingent upon funding availability: April 18, May 2, May 16 and May 30. Check out the eligibility criteria and watch this step-by-step application guide.

Facebook Small Business Grants
Facebook announced a $100 million program to help small businesses as governments throughout the country urge gyms and restaurants to close their doors to slow the coronavirus pandemic.

El Pomar Assistance Fund
El Pomar Foundation announced the establishment of the Colorado Assistance Fund, a $1 million fund offering immediate aid to nonprofit organizations supporting Colorado communities, organizations and individuals affected by the recent outbreak of COVID-19.

Other Funding Opportunities

Correctional Adult Reentry Education, Employment, and Recidivism Reduction Strategies Program (CAREERRS)
Deadline: April 27. Department of Justice
The CAREERRS Program is designed to help communities establish education, vocation, and job training programs in their correctional systems that address employment challenges facing incarcerated youth and adults re-entering those communities and the workforce. Emphasis is given to programs that offer strong partnerships with corrections, parole,
Support for Efforts to Advance Economic Opportunity for Older Adults
More info here. The AARP Foundation supports sustainable, real-world solutions to the fundamental challenges facing low-income older adults throughout the United States.

Animal Shelter Improvements Funded
Deadline: April 30. More info here. American Humane: Meacham Foundation Memorial Grant
Administered by American Humane, provides support to nonprofit organizations and public agencies throughout the U.S. for shelter expansion or improvement. Grants must be used to increase or improve the quality of care given to animals. Grants range up to $4,000.