



## INFORMATION FOR BUSINESSES RESTORE ILLINOIS

### PHASE 3

Phase 3 of the “[Restore Illinois](#)” plan began on May 29 and includes the opening of several types businesses spanning ten different industry categories. To prepare businesses and employers to implement the new safety guidelines, the State of Illinois has developed a [Phase 3 Business Toolkit](#) complete with signage, training checklists, and other resources to ensure business and activities are conducted under the latest and public health recommendations. [Industry-specific guidance](#) is also available.

- Phase 3 of the "Restore Illinois" plan provides restaurants and bars the option to resume operation for outdoor seating only with guidance as issued by the [Illinois Department of Commerce Restaurant & Bars for Outdoor Dining Guidelines](#). [City of Geneva Executive Order 2020-07](#) signed by Mayor Burns on May 27, 2020, provides opportunities for expansion of existing outdoor seating or creation of new outdoor seating area on private and public property.
- Face coverings are required in public places or when working. The Illinois Department of Public Health has published [Guidance on the Use of Masks for the General Public](#) and [FAQs for Businesses Concerning Use of Face Coverings During COVID-19](#) to help with compliance.

### **BUSINESS GRANTS, LOANS AND GUIDANCE**

- The IL Small Business' Administration Center at Waubensee is offering a number of free online workshops to help businesses pivot and/or address post COVID workplace issues. You will find details on the topics to be covered on the [registration page](#).
- A [Small Business Owner's Guide to the CARES Act](#) has been published to help businesses understand resources. For assistance with these programs, contact your banker or your local [Small Business Administration District Office](#).
- The State of Illinois created programs to assist small businesses and the hospitality industry. Read more about these resources on the [State of Illinois Coronavirus Response For Business website](#). In addition, [the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's Covid-19 Emergency Resources for Businesses](#) provides quick summaries and links to federal, state and other assistance programs for small, midsize and large businesses.
- The [Illinois Department of Revenue](#) has established a website with resources to provide information and resources to help Illinois taxpayers, businesses, and others affected by the coronavirus. Several programs are of interest to businesses including payment and penalty deferrals.
- The Small Business Administration (SBA) continues to post information updates regarding the response from federal and state agencies to address the impact of COVID-19 on businesses. For assistance with SBA applications [email Harriet Parker](#), Illinois Small Business Development Center manager.
  - The Small Business Administration (SBA) website has a list of resources to provide COVID- 19 [Guidance for Business and Employers](#).
  - IDCEO website has [COVID-19 for small business](#) information and guidance for essential operations.
  - [The Illinois Department of Public Health](#) provides Business and Organizational Guidelines.
  - SBA has provided guidelines regarding [low-interest disaster assistance loans](#).
  - SBA has released a summary of its [Disaster Assistance Loan Webinar](#) with more information.

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## **CITY EXTENSIONS OF DUE DATES AND RELAXATIONS OF REGULATIONS**

- [City of Geneva Executive Order 2020-02](#), signed by Mayor Burns on April 3, 2020, extends the validity of all license with an expiration date of April 30, 2020, to June 30, 2020, and extends the due date for the renewal of licenses to July 1, 2020.
- Restaurants and merchants who wish to establish curbside service can utilize a public parking space to execute efficient operations. Each business may reserve one parking space near its front door (a regular space, not ADA) for “curbside pick-up only.” This will ensure customers have a convenient place to park and helps advertise the curbside service. [City of Geneva Executive Order 2020-01](#) **allows liquor license holders who currently serve food AND alcoholic beverages to provide such sales for carryout and/or pick-up.** The City has relaxed parking enforcement to facilitate efficient curbside service as established by businesses.
- [City of Geneva Executive Order 2020-06](#) temporarily authorizes the delivery of alcoholic liquor to non-licensees under certain conditions as outlined.
- The Illinois Liquor Control Commission has extended license renewal dates and has several resource documents on their [website](#) to answer questions and guide liquor license holders with compliance including an [FAQ](#).
- The City has relaxed temporary sign regulations during statewide restaurant and bar closures and assembly limitations for the purpose of advertising curbside service or other similar accommodations. Businesses can use A-Frame signs or other types of temporary signs displayed at the front of the curb to advertise curbside offerings. Traffic cones may be used to reserve a space.
- Daily fee parking in the Third Street Commuter Parking Deck and downtown commuter parking lots are free until the Governor’s Stay at Home Orders have expired. Further details about payments, extensions, and refunds for Parking Permits issued by the Police Department are included in the [City of Geneva Executive Order 2020-04](#).
- The City has suspended utility service disconnections for customers who cannot pay and is waiving new utility late payment charges until further notice.

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