

Re: COVID-19 RESOURCE UPDATE SUMMARY

Date: Monday, May 11 – Friday May 15, 2020

This memo is a daily synthesis of critical information and trends about the pandemic that are relevant to the Milwaukee Jewish Federation's work of caring for the needs of the Jewish people. While the information is intended for use by MJF leadership, we are also sharing it with other community leaders. If you have questions, please contact Anna Goldstein at AnnaG@MilwaukeeJewish.org or 414-390-5733.

Local Resources

- The Milwaukee Business Journal provides <u>updated guidance</u> on PPP loan forgiveness rules, recommending that businesses use the loan for its intended purpose; track and record everything your business does during the eight-week of loan spending; tap into experts, including accountants, lawyers and payroll processing providers; be ready to adjust on the fly, as the FAQ sheet updates provide key program changes virtually every day; rehire your employees that want to come back; consider that forgiveness is not for every business; and stick with your bank for now.
- Governor Tony Evers announced that every resident and worker at all 373 nursing homes in Wisconsin will be tested for COVID-19. The free testing and diagnostics includes the goal of testing more than 10,000 residents and staff per week during the month of May. The effort will include a combination of public and private partners to call nursing home facilities to coordinate supplies, logistics and test results.
- Milwaukee County's Department of Health and Human Services and the Behavioral Health Division partnered with Spectrum News 1 to facilitate conversations with local experts about mental health stressors facing residents during the COVID-19 pandemic. Each day experts provided information and resources to help fight mental health stigmas and educate the broader public on mental health – watch the conversations here.
- Milwaukee County Parks encourages Milwaukeeans to #MKEthemost of staying at home by doing a variety of activities. The <u>Stay Safe at Home Guide</u> offers activities like Color Your Cares Away: parks-inspired coloring sheets. Park trails are open for walking and biking – please remember to follow social distancing requirements.
- Milwaukee Magazine has researched trends of how coronavirus is affecting local suburbs, along with some of the benchmarks Wisconsin still needs to reach in order for the Safer at Home order to be pulled back.
- The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services released <u>training</u> modules on PPE usage for public employees that do not typically wear PPE. There are three modules which include a general education course on <u>N95 respirator use</u>, one tailored to <u>law enforcement</u>, and another for <u>treatment workers</u>.
- Intentional and/or nefarious spread of COVID-19 in Wisconsin can contact the FBI Milwaukee office, <u>Special Agent Mahloch</u>.

- Black Box Fund and Arts@Large will distribute 6,000 free "My Art Bag" kits to children in underserved areas of Milwaukee – read more.
- Madison artists losing income due to COVID-19 could receive grant funding for city projects.1 The city's Finance Committee signed off on a <u>resolution</u> directing up to \$80,000 in the capital Municipal Art Fund for the Art in Public Places initiative.
- The University of Wisconsin Institute for Business & Entrepreneurship has created a
 COVID-19 resource page to anchor important information for small business owners
 amid quickly changing conditions and unprecedented measures put in place during the
 COVID-19 pandemic.
- Ari Friedman, MJF's Director of Security and Community Properties, is part of the Secure Community Network's reopening working group, which has several resources to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak including information on resuming operations and organizational reopening; low-cost/no-cost facility security guidance for use in reopening; and an emergency operations plan template.
- Wisconsin's <u>Safer at Home Order</u> was initially extended until 8 am CT on Tuesday, May 26, 2020, or until a superseding order is issued. On Wednesday, May 14 the Supreme Court of Wisconsin <u>overturned</u> the Statewide "Safer at Home" Order. Following the decision, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett <u>announced</u> that the city of Milwaukee's stay-athome order is still in place, meaning Milwaukee bars and restaurants are still barred from reopening beyond curbside pickup. There is no end date to <u>Milwaukee's public health order</u>; which will be in effect until it is "extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the city's Health Commissioner." A new <u>COVID-19 Public Health Plan for Suburban Milwaukee County</u> was also issued today, and is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until 11:59 pm CT on Thursday, May 21, or until a superseding order is issued. The Wisconsin Council of Churches issued <u>a statement</u> in response to the state's Supreme Court Ruling.
- The North Shore Health Department has resources for businesses considering reopening public spaces on its <u>website</u>, including specific guidance for <u>reopening</u> <u>restaurants</u> and <u>cleaning and disinfecting</u>.
- As of Wednesday, May 14, prior to the Supreme Court ruling, Wisconsin had met 5 of the 6 gating criteria required to move to Phase 1 of the State's <u>Badger Bounce Back</u> <u>Plan</u> to re-open the state. The only one of the criteria that Wisconsin has not met is a downward trend of influenza-like illnesses over 14-days.
- With input from national and state health and industry experts and in partnership with the
 Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Department of Agriculture, Trade and
 Consumer Protection, the Wisconsin Department of Tourism and regional economic
 development partners, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation has compiled
 a series of industry-specific documents to help you get back to business while taking the
 necessary precautions to maximize safety. The North Shore Health Department

¹ https://madison.com/ct/news/local/govt-and-politics/madison-artists-losing-income-due-to-pandemic-could-receive-funding-for-city-projects/article_78580d63-7312-55b9-835c-a0023ada1e16.html#utm_source=madison.com&utm_campaign=%2Fnewsletter-templates%2Ftopic%2Fpopup&utm_medium=PostUp&utm_content=4053f26771a10f51614de0bff5a33e75f1d4831a

- recommends all businesses utilize WEDC's <u>guidelines</u> as they are the current best practices for reopening for the State.
- Milwaukee County has compiled a list of resources to help individuals navigate the rapidly evolving COVID-19 pandemic situation.
- In mid-April, Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) president and CEO Dr. John Raymond Sr. issued a list of guidelines on how to begin reopening the Wisconsin economy. Things are looking better three weeks later. During his daily online COVID-19 briefings, Raymond continues to note improvements in key statistics for Wisconsin's COVID-19 cases despite ongoing increases in the total number of cases. The improvements include declines in the daily growth rate and an extension in the number of days it takes for the total number of cases to double. Here's an update on Dr. Raymond's checklist. Wisconsin's hospitals' supply chain of PPE has improved, however the supply chain will be an ongoing concern for at least a year. Dr. Raymond attributed positive trends to "the diligence and cooperation of our citizens who have taken social distancing seriously and to Safer at Home." Three other points on Raymond's checklist are:
 - Reopening should involve a phased plan starting with low-risk work environments;
 - Employers need to implement best practices for health and safety including giving employees the tools and education needed in the workplace, and;
 - Business, government and health care leaders need to prepare for possible flareups of COVID-19 cases.
- As lenders and borrowers alike await final guidance on the requirements to convert PPP loans into grants, the Wisconsin Bankers Association (WBA) is offering recommendations for achieving forgiveness. WBA president and chief executive officer Rose Oswald Poels said "Borrowers really need to be aware they need to track and document the use of the PPP funds. Bankers want these loans to be forgiven, but whether that happens rests squarely on the shoulders of the borrower" in a recent press release. Oswald Poels further said timelines and payroll calculations will play a significant role in determining loan forgiveness. The WBA provided a form on its website to calculate anticipated forgiveness. The trade association also provided answers to frequently asked questions and a documentation checklist.
- For legal advice, see <u>Wisconsin Free Legal Answers</u>.
- Wisconsin's Foreclosure Mediation Network is offering free mediation services to landlords and tenants in Milwaukee County. Both tenants and landlords can request mediation or more information by calling 414-939-8800 or via email.
- Wisconsin's DHS provides <u>guidance</u> for all long-term care facilities, assisted living facilities, and facilities serving people with developmental disabilities in Wisconsin during COVID-19. Assisted living providers and stakeholders are invited to attend twice a week Assisted Living Forums facilitated by Wisconsin's DHS on <u>Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 am CT</u>. The Bureau of Assisted Living will continue to answer questions related to COVID-19 and assisted living facilities. <u>Join the webinar</u>.

• Dane County will create a \$3.5 million grant program to help childcare providers offset revenue losses as a result of the current pandemic, County Executive Joe Parisi announced on Thursday, May 7. The county is partnering with Madison-based Community Coordinated Care, Inc., commonly known as 4-C, to help some 500 licensed childcare providers across the country survive the ongoing outbreak while being temporarily closed. According to a recent study from the Center for American Progress, 30% of childcare in Wisconsin could be lost without financial support during the COVID-19 pandemic. The grants will be administered by 4-C and vary in amount from \$1,400 to \$15,000 based on the size of the provider. Eligible childcare providers include certified family, licensed family, licensed group, summer camp, and licensed school age. Childcare providers with questions should email 4-C.

National Resources

- The U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has
 FAQs to address grants management questions related to COVID-19 for state and local
 workforce leaders, stakeholders, and partners. You can also find Workforce Innovation
 and Opportunity Act youth-specific FAQs.
- The CDC released an informational video of how COVID-19 can spread in a community.
 Extended family gatherings, including funerals and birthday parties, can likely facilitate the transmission of COVID-19. The CDC also updated their funeral guidance for individuals and families, guidance for schools and child care programs, and interim guidance for businesses and employers responding to COVID-19.
- The Bridgespan Group has a <u>collection of resources</u> that offers guidance to nonprofits and NGOs on navigating the COVID-19 crisis and the economic downturn. They have also compiled <u>resources</u> specific to the needs of funders.
- The Nonprofit Finance Fund has assembled a <u>collection of COVID-19 tools</u> and resources for non-profits, including a downloadable cash flow projection, scenario planning tools, and <u>guidance on debt options</u>.
- Fiscal Management Associates offers a collection of insights and tools to support nonprofits in managing their finances during this period of change and uncertainty – see the <u>PPP toolbox</u>, cash flow template and <u>video tutorial</u>, and <u>revenue scenario planning</u> tool.
- The Council of Foundations, Open Road Alliance, and Giving Compass each share information and potential sources of philanthropic funding related to the current crisis.
- The Opportunity Finance Network offers a <u>locator tool</u> to search for community development financial institutions (CDFIs) by lending type and geography.
- The Chronicle of Philanthropy article <u>"Financing During a Pandemic"</u> offers guidance on how to know whether a loan, line of credit, emergency grant, or other financial options make the most sense for your nonprofit.
- The Leap of Reason Ambassadors Community has created an <u>evolving list of resources</u> around leadership, nonprofit management, and more.

- <u>TechSoup</u> offers technology resources for nonprofits including tools to support remote work, policy resources, and webinars and workshops.
- Project Evident is providing free consultation for organizations that seek guidance on using data and evidence to adapt their programs and optimize their impact in the changing context of this pandemic. Topics they can help address include adapting services for digital delivery in an evidence-informed manner; sustaining program operations and a learning culture for staff using digital tools; balancing data collection with other urgent priorities; and general technical assistance needs. Use this form to set up a time to chat with a consultant.
- RevJen, a nonprofit training provider, is now offering their "R-Squared" cohorts for nonprofit executives for free. "R-Squared" is a professionally facilitated virtual monthly meeting of 12-13 nonprofit and social enterprise leaders, which aims to provide peer insight, advice, and a sense of community with other nonprofit executives from across the country – register.
- The Nonprofit Academic Centers Council has <u>compiled resources</u> for teaching and administering nonprofit/philanthropy curricula in response to COVID-19 mitigation measures.
- Department of Homeland Security published a list of fundamental COVID-19 questions
 that quickly summarizes what is known, what additional information is needed, and who
 may be working to address such questions.
- FEMA maintains a <u>Rumor Control website</u> designed to help consumers identify false information about COVID-19.
- The SBA is updating national PPP loan summaries frequently on their website. In total, more than 4.3 million small businesses and non-profits have received more than \$533 billion in forgivable PPP loans, and funds remain available to assist those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Get PPP and SBA Relief Information in 15 different languages.
- The SBA Resource Partner Network offers advising for business resiliency readiness and training.
- Additional guidance has been issued by the SBA on PPP. A new, permanent "safe harbor" has been created for all PPP loans less than \$2 million. These loans will not be subject to review based on the FAQ31 guidelines. As previously announced, PPP loans above \$2 million will be subject to review. At that time, the borrower will have an opportunity to demonstrate that the criterion for receiving the loan was met. If the SBA determines that the standard was not met, the consequence is that the loan would not be forgiven, and the borrower would be required to repay the loan. If repayment is made, there would be no further enforcement action taken. This clarification means that borrowers with loans under \$2 million can rely entirely on their original certification of need. Borrowers with loans over \$2 million do not need to take any action unless their loan comes up for review. JFNA is available to answer questions about PPP through their help desk.
- Here are notable new requests for proposals (RFPs) specifically for the COVID-19 outbreak.

- The SBA Express loan maximum has been temporarily increased to \$1 million through December 31, 2020. As a result of a CARES Act amendment to the Small Business Act, all SBA Express loans to veteran-owned small businesses approved on or after March 27, 2020, will permanently have no upfront guaranty fee. Read the complete notice. Contact an SBA-approved Express lender to learn if this might be an appropriate funding option for your small business.
- Facebook for Business has a small business grants program, offering \$100 million in cash grants and ad credits to help during COVID-19.
- The CDC has published a critical infrastructure sector response plan for COVID-19. Critical Infrastructure workers perform job tasks across 16 sectors, including: health care and public health; law enforcement, public safety, and other first responders; food and agriculture; energy (electricity industry, petroleum industry, natural gas/propane/other liquid fuels); water and wastewater; transportation and logistics; public works and infrastructure support services; communications and information technology; other community or government-based operations and essential functions; critical manufacturing; hazardous materials; financial services; chemical; defense industrial base; commercial facilities; residential/shelter facilities and services; and hygiene products and services. While guidance specific to critical infrastructure workers and employers has been developed, employers should still review the resources for businesses and employers, and cleaning and disinfecting guidance, as these recommendations are also applicable to protecting the critical infrastructure workforce.
- Employers should comply with applicable Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements for protecting critical infrastructure workers who remain on the job during the COVID-19 pandemic. OSHA has published guidance and enforcement information for workplaces.
- The CDC's critical infrastructure guidance also provides exceptions to current home quarantine practices after an exposure to COVID-19. The guidance advises that employers may permit workers who have had an exposure to COVID-19, but who do not have symptoms, to continue to work, provided they adhere to additional safety precautions, such as measuring the employee's temperature and assessing for symptoms of COVID-19 before each work shift ("pre-screening"), asking the employee to self-monitor symptoms during their work shift, and wearing a cloth face covering.
- The CDC recommends that employers create or update their COVID-19 response plan to prevent or slow the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace. Employers should continue to respond in a flexible way to varying levels of disease transmission in the community and be prepared to refine response plans as needed. This may include activities in one or more of the following areas:
 - Maintain healthy business operations
 - Reduce transmission among employees and the public
 - Maintain a healthy work environment

Funding Resources

- The CARES Act outlines a number of tax breaks and credits that can free up cash flow for companies of all sizes, including an employee retention credit, a payroll tax deferral program, net operating loss carryover provisions, and qualified improvement property depreciation. Read more details about these opportunities.
- The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation is working with organizations across the state to offer the Ethnic Minority Emergency Grant initiative. These grants are designed to provide one-time grants to help with operating expenses for microbusinesses that may not have access to other sources of relief funds. Learn more about how the grants will be administered and which businesses qualify.
- Governor Tony Evers says that he will release a plan in the next few days outlining how
 he will spend the roughly \$1.9 billion in federal funding received by Wisconsin as part of
 the COVID-19 stimulus bill. Evers said a portion of the funding would go to the
 agriculture and dairy industries.
- United Way's <u>COVID-19 Urgent Need Relief Fund</u> supports the urgent needs of nonprofits staying open and serving the community as it relates to COVID-19.
- FEMA Public Assistance is offering several training webinars the week of Monday, May 18 – Friday, May 22 on the COVID-19 grants portal basics. See the full list of offerings and join via Zoom.

Agency Resources

Federations

- JFNA
 - The Secure Community Network (SCN) has convened a working group comprised of regional and local security directors, national health and security experts, and professionals from several national agency network organizations to develop guidance to help everyone prepare for reopening. They have prepared and are releasing three guidance documents on: guidance for resuming and reopening facilities; low-cost/no-cost facility security guidance for use in reopening; and an emergency operations plan template. SCN is continuing to convene the working group and will work with them to adapt these guidance documents and develop others as the situation evolves, and to release updates as available. Ari Friedman, MJF's Director of Security and Community Properties is part of SCN's working group.

Foundations

Due to declining interest rates, a group of planned-giving professionals recommends that charities reduce the payments they provide donors in exchange for creating new charitable gift annuities. Gift annuities provide donors with a fixed payment from the gift's investment during their lifetime, a sum that the donor and the charity agree upon in a contract. Donors also receive a tax break for their gift. Upon the donor's death, the total remaining funds are transferred to the charity. The American Council on Gift Annuities recommends that charities decrease the maximum payout rates by 0.3 to 0.5 percentage

points, depending on the donor's age, effective July 1, 2020. The changes mean someone who creates a new \$10,000 annuity may receive \$30 to \$50 less in payment, depending on the donor's age and gift contract with the charity.

Synagogues

- Dr. Anthony Fauci, the top immunologist on the White House coronavirus task force asked the Orthodox Union to take small steps toward reopening in-person services and warned the risk is likely to continue into the High Holidays in the fall.
- Rabbi Rick Jacobs, president of the Union of Reform Judaism announced today, Wednesday, May 13, that layoffs and furloughs will be necessary, and many jobs will be eliminated as of June 30, 2020. Next week, the URJ will provide additional information on furloughs, which will run from June 1 – August 31, 2020.
- Lake Park Synagogue
 - Engage and participate in LPS's virtual programs on the synagogue's website and Facebook Page. LPS hopes to have a new website developed soon to extend the LPS virtual footprint through "zoom" conferences, classes, and other social activities. If you have ideas about LPS website development, please contact Rabbi Dinin.
- Congregation Shalom
 - O Join for Mitzvah Day 2020 on Sunday, May 31 from 10:30 am 12:30 pm CT at Congregation Shalom. The program will follow CDC social distance guidelines tables, each with a separate organization sign, will be set up in the parking lot. When you bring checks, cards, and/or donated items, a masked volunteer will take it from your car. See the complete list of donation opportunities.
- Congregation Sinai
 - Congregation Sinai's collection barrel is always in need of replenishing. Find the barrel in the coat room and donate what you can: toiletries, gently used and new clothing, shoes and hygiene products. Please make sure all items are bagged.
 - Congregation Sinai serves a meal at Pathfinders on the second Wednesday of every month. Volunteers are needed to buy ingredients and prepare food, including entrees, side dishes and desserts in advance and to set up, serve, and eat dinner with the youth, who then help with clean up. Volunteers younger than high-school age must be accompanied by an adult. To participate or ask questions, contact Julie Turetsky at 414-899-5128.
 - Congregation Sinai needs volunteers to deliver soup to congregants who are ill
 or need comfort in difficult times. Please contact <u>Marjorie Laing</u> to volunteer.

Camps

- OSRUI
 - Check out OSRUI's e-programs, coloring pages, Mad Libs, and other fun activities on their website.

Museums

 Read more about Jewish Museum Milwaukee's virtual exhibit Fired Up: The Pottery of Abe Cohen in the <u>Shepherd Express</u> and the <u>Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle</u>.

Day Schools

Prizmah, the Center for Jewish Day Schools has updated COVID-19 guidance on their website, including specialized resources for heads of school and board members; school financial and business officers; admissions and fundraising directors; educational leadership; ed tech professionals; and teachers. Join the weekly support call for Heads of School on Fridays at 11 am CT, for Heads of Small Schools on Wednesdays at 2 pm CT, and for Tech Administrators on Fridays at 10:30 am CT.

Jewish Council for Public Affairs

 JCPA adopted four emergency resolutions related to the coronavirus crisis in a special voting session. It is the first time that a special voting session of the JCPA Delegates Assembly, made up of nearly 100 representatives of local Jewish community relations councils and national Jewish agencies, has been held in the organization's 75-year history.

Jewish Family Services

- The Jewish Grief Group, under the auspices of JFS is open to congregants as well as the general Jewish community. This group will meet on Wednesday's from 12 pm 1 pm CT. Please call Adrienne at JFS at 414-225-1374 to register.
- JHelp offers crisis funding for individuals who need assistance with rent/mortgage, food, transportation, clothing, utilities (phone/internet), and other emergent needs. Call JFS at 414-390-5800 or visit the website for more information.

SHOFAR

- SHOFAR (Safeguarding Health Families and Relationships) is an initiative of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation that addresses child sexual abuse, sexual harassment and domestic violence. Read more about SHOFAR. If you'd like to be involved, contact Tziporah Altman-Shafer at 414-963-2718. See all SHOFAR resources to get help now.
- Call the Sojourner Family Peace Center 24/7 Domestic Violence Hotline at 414-933-2722. The National Domestic Hotline offers 24/7 support in more than 200 languages – call 800-799-7233.

MJFLA

 The Milwaukee Jewish Free Loan Association offers confidential, interest free loans for any purpose to people who find themselves in a time of financial need. <u>Learn more</u> or call 414-961-1500.

Trends

- The SBA has identified several factors that may be responsible for the dramatic slowing of PPP loan approvals. They include that the SBA has met the initial demand from both small businesses and eligible nonprofits, and their offices are now approving loans at a much slower rate due to decreased demand. The SBA and lenders are also working to eliminate duplicate applications from borrowers who applied through multiple banks. Potential applicants may also be thinking more carefully about whether or not the loans are truly necessary.
- As of Friday, May 8, about \$188.94 billion of the \$310 billion allocated for the second round of funding for the PPP, had been awarded nationwide.2 The funds were awarded across 2.57 million loans, resulting in an average loan size of about \$73,485. Wisconsin businesses have been approved to receive \$1.79 billion across 34,118 loans for an average loan size of \$52,328. Of all the U.S. states and territories, Wisconsin ranks 25th for the number of loans approved and 27th for the dollar volume. Wisconsin accounts for about 1.33% of all the applications and 0.94% of the funds allocated.
- Aurora Health Care sustained a revenue loss of about \$300 million in April.3
- Evidence is mounting that if all people wear masks in public, they are far more effective at stopping transmission than was previously realized.
- Companies are starting to think that the employees they sent home to work remotely during the pandemic may not need to return to an office afterward.⁴ That could let companies save a fortune in rent and other costs of adapting their offices for a social-distancing future, but it could have painful ripple effects for landlords, business-district restaurant and stores, and city tax coffers. Some landlords believe the pandemic will make businesses value the socialization and collaboration of office life even more than before.

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² https://www.bizjournals.com/milwaukee/news/2020/05/11/the-numbers-are-in-see-how-wisconsin-businesses.html?ana=e_mil_bn_editorschoice_editorschoice&j=90507968&t=Breaking%20News&mkt_tok=eyJpljoiWkdaaFlURTJN R00wWVRBNClsInQiOil5ZGVwTjgwK2Mwd3N6VitaK2NUb3grZW9HR1VJOHZJbUVaajRWNkxcL3U5aTNyeE1Td3NWN1FlVVZxc 05LVURRNmhxUGdlaDNKckhaWlRwU1wvSkV4UFF2UjJHeVlwOFkxRTRhSDdkYTlWQ2RzUHluaHcxdXBLNIM3YWRSRjVxdnRZ MkFRM1BwWTcwbzR3QXVaQlptenhjdz09ln0%3D

³ https://www.bizjournals.com/milwaukee/news/2020/05/11/aurora-health-care-sustained-300m-revenue-loss-in.html?ana=e_mil_bn_breakingnews_breakingnews&j=90508061&t=Breaking%20News&mkt_tok=eyJpljoiWWpSalpHRTBaRE5rWlRBNSIsInQiOiJ0cUppdm96NFA2bXkxcWlPNIlObDdQaytka3BcLzRGakZSRnFoSklCTGw0aGgzMFcwUG44ekg3a0NSUUw1eXo0ZHpvWE14RFwvTjhwMHExNUU4ZmFGRzBcL0cyUnpCcDQ5clRNOGdaUXFGYzVtemh2ejJqVzhQSExoaWlua01MaUUrREFXeE9tajdqNTBTd3JlT2JWcG5HNkE9PSJ9

⁴ https://www.nytimes.com/2020/05/12/nyregion/coronavirus-work-from-home.html

- Orthodox and Hasidic Jews in New York, who were hit particularly hard by the virus, are now flocking to donate blood plasma for use in treating patients with COVID-19.5
- California State University, the nation's largest four-year public university system, canceled in-person classes for the fall semester, with instruction to take place almost exclusively online.6
- Here are the changes your favorite retailer will likely make post COVID-19.
- The Milwaukee Repertory Theater <u>announced</u> it will delay its 2020-21 season.
- An <u>informal survey</u> of more than 750 social-service nonprofits found an overwhelming majority have cut services as a result of disruptions from the coronavirus pandemic.
- The Times of Israel outlines how coronavirus has affected Jews living in Israel and Jews living in the Diaspora.
- Economists project that more than 100,000 small businesses have shuttered permanently since the pandemic escalated in March.
- Federal Reserve Chair Jerome H. Powell warns of a long, painful economic downturn if Congress does not provide more financial relief.8
- Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport continues to face the negative impacts of the coronavirus pandemic with significant declines in passenger traffic, with less than five people on a flight in some cases, and now a decision to postpone projects in 2021, including the renovation of a concourse into an international terminal.9
- Over the last eight weeks, the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development has dispersed \$941 million in unemployment benefits to more than a half-million people in

5 https://www.nytimes.com/2020/05/12/nyregion/virus-orthodox-plasma-donation.html?campaign_id=154&emc=edit_cb_20200512&instance_id=18429&nl=coronavirus-briefing®i_id=117781442&segment_id=27468&te=1&user_id=138dc50f18517ca11bba0767b2261e75

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This memo is a daily synthesis of critical information and trends about the pandemic that are relevant to the Milwaukee Jewish Federation's work of caring for the needs of the Jewish people. While the information is intended for use by MJF leadership, we are also sharing it with other community leaders.

- Wisconsin.₁₀ That includes \$550 million during the week beginning May 3, the largest amount DWD has ever paid in a single week.
- Philanthropic funding worldwide in response to COVID-19 has reached \$10.2 billion, including \$6 billion from U.S. sources, according to Candid, a foundation research group.
- Soccer teams in Germany, Italy and Spain have <u>resumed training</u> in the hope of restarting their seasons.
- Millions of people in Italy have returned to work, but schools, nurseries, day care centers
 and summer camps remain closed, leaving many parents to worry about having to
 choose between jobs and family.
- A New York Times analysis presents that some nursing homes with private equity owners, who were more focused on making money, were particularly ill equipped and understaffed to handle COVID-19.
- The emergency disaster lending program for small businesses has been so
 overwhelmed that it slashed its loan limit from \$2 million to \$150,00 and has blocked
 nearly all new applications.

Online Resources

- The U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) hosted the webinar "Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Youth Program COVID-19 Session" and has provided a recording of the webinar and PowerPoint presentation for viewing on their website.
- Here are five things to do in Milwaukee this week that don't involve a crowd.
- Here are nine tips from someone who's been working from home since before the pandemic.
- Milwaukee Magazine recently talked with Dr. Ben Watson, Director of Medical Services
 for the Milwaukee County Office of Emergency Management, who offered advice for
 staying safe at the grocery store.
- Kar-Ben Publishing is offering free eBooks to synagogues, schools, libraries and individuals. Their books are aimed at children through age 9. Access the digital bookshelf using this link and these credentials: Username: karbenkids / Password: karbenkids.
- From the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, here are four ways Milwaukeeans are coping with the 'new normal.'
- Here's a <u>quide</u> on how to become an indoor plant parent.
- Check out OneTable's <u>guide</u> for a Solo Shabbat during quarantine. OneTable also has <u>resources</u> for Mental Health Awareness month to bring the conversation to your Shabbat Table.
- Senior Planet offers tech classes and other activities for older adults.

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- Shopping Angels is a program designed to provide services to those populations deemed especially at-risk for COVID-19 by connecting individuals with volunteers to personally deliver groceries and other shopping necessities in the United States, Australia, and Canada.
- Here are recommendations on protecting your credit during the pandemic.
- Here are self-care resources from Change Elemental.
- Here are three ways for nonprofits to prioritize data tracking amid COVID-19.
- Here are some essential answers for nonprofits coping with economic implications of the COVID-19 crisis from the National Center on Nonprofit Enterprise.
- Feedback Labs offers guidance on how to respond to feedback during COVID-19 there will be a webinar on this topic on **June 3, 2020**. Register here.
- Check out the <u>coronavirus response roundup</u> from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities.
- The Rockefeller Foundation has guidance on rewiring how we measure impact in a post-COVID-19 world and measuring results and impact in the age of big data.
- Leading Edge answers FAQs on managing Jewish nonprofits during the COVID-19 crisis.
- Check out <u>video highlights</u> from Bend the Arc's 2020 Pursuing Justice Online Experience.
- John Palfrey, head of the MacArthur Foundation, shares advice on how nonprofits should approach grant makers post-COVID-19 along with balancing short-term urgent needs with long-term sustainability listen to the podcast.
- Representatives from three of Milwaukee's largest employers, Manpower, Northwestern Mutual, and Direct Supply, provided insight into how they're managing their workforce during the COVID-19 pandemic and offered some insight into steps they will be taking when they bring workers back to the office, including installing bipolar needlepoint ionization equipment.
- LinkedIn offers resources for small businesses.
- America's Small Business Development Center has <u>guidance</u> on business interruption insurance, which helps to replace business income lost in a disaster.
- American Express has "Stay Home & Shop Small" materials for small businesses.
- The Chronicle of Philanthropy has a toolkit of resources to help your nonprofit adapt its
 policies and operations, keep donors close despite social distancing, and continue
 serving the community during difficult times.
- The Independent Sector has information for nonprofits on how to apply for relief funds from the CARES Act, offering important tips, information for small and large nonprofits, FAQs, and additional resources.
- The Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress has fact sheets that provide information
 and recommendations for healthcare personnel, families, leaders, and businesses to
 address the psychological and behavioral health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- MRA, the Management Association, has a <u>sample health screening questionnaire</u>, a <u>guide</u> for employees wearing facial coverings or masks in the workplace, and <u>a 4-part series</u> on workforce planning and recovery strategies.