



Concord Provides Dynamic Resources for Local Businesses

Concord, Calif. (April 27, 2020) -- Amid the COVID-19 pandemic and its historic economic disruption, the [City of Concord](#) has implemented a variety of new programs and resources to help sustain and support local businesses. As the risks of COVID-19 heightened in March, Concord was among the first cities in California to launch an [Eviction Moratorium](#) and have since continued to build out programs and resources for businesses such as the newly launched Concord Essential Business List to encourage residents to support the businesses that remain open and available to the public.

Below is a comprehensive list of resources and services available for local businesses, all of which can also be found on the [Concord Forward COVID-19 Business Resources](#) webpage. The City of Concord will continue to work closely with its business partners and community members to provide relief and assistance to residents and businesses in need throughout the COVID-19 crisis and as we begin on the path to recovery.

- [Concord Essential Business List](#): A user friendly, searchable database of businesses that are open and operating including at what capacity their services are being provided. Icons allow users to quickly identify those that are selling gift cards, offer curbside service and/or delivery.
- [Business License Relief Program](#): Local businesses with business license renewals due during the shelter-in-place order can defer payment up to 90 days after the order is lifted without penalties or fees. The deferral of payments will automatically be applied to those accounts, no paperwork necessary.
- [Virtual Permit Center](#): Although our physical office at City Hall is temporarily closed, local businesses that are seeking Permit Center and Inspection Services can utilize Concord's Virtual Permit Center. Residents with questions can review the Building and Planning FAQ sheets available on the site as well as receive support by contacting the planner or inspector assigned to your project.
- [#ConcordEats](#): Beyond offering a list of local restaurants offering curbside service and delivery, #ConcordEats also encourages residents to show their support for local eateries by using the #ConcordEats hashtag in social media posts and tagging @CityofConcord in Instagram stories.

To stay up to date on all the latest news and resources available, visit [Concord Forward COVID-19 Business Resources](#), or follow [@CityofConcord](#) on Instagram and [@CA_Concord](#) on Twitter.

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