



Central
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MARCH 2020 NEWSLETTER

During this COVID -19 pandemic, our district is working to provide you with the most current information and resources available. We are keeping our residents, businesses, and families at the forefront of this effort.

We are offering some information in this newsletter that is **vital** for all within our district and beyond. With this, we encourage anyone

to **print this off** and **post it around your communities** as a flyer for those who we may not be able to reach through our online presence.

Hopefully, this all ends soon, but until then, we will ride this out together! We are constantly updating on our website at: <http://cnedd.org/disaster-relief/>.

Contact CNEDD:

www.cnedd.org/contact/

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www.facebook.com/centralnebraskaeconomicdevelopment/

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<https://twitter.com/cneddofficial>

May Your Blessings Outnumber the Shamrocks that Grow. And May Trouble Avoid You Wherever You Go.

COVID – 19 Resources Available

Due to COVID -19, there are new resources available. The **Federal government** is offering loan deferment for federal loans and have dropped interest rates to 0% during this time.

The **Small Business Association** has low-interest, long-term loans for small businesses and non-profits to help with expenses.

The **Center for Rural Affairs** also is offering loan deferment, reduced payments, and emergency credit.

For more information on these programs and more go to <http://cnedd.org/disaster-relief/>.

There are **resources available for homeowners!** United Way has a COVID-19 Community Economic Relief Fund to **help pay for rent, bills, and food.**

Call **1-(866)-211-9966** and when providing your zip code, you will be given a list of local agencies who are providing assistance.

Now, more than ever, it is crucial to support our local businesses.

What you can do to help:

- If you can buy groceries locally, even just a gallon of milk, it all helps.
- Many restaurants and bars are doing take out or carry out orders. Keep buying food from those who support your communities!
- See if any other businesses offer gift cards. This will end, and then when it does, you can treat yourself or others with the gift cards or certificates.

Keep an eye on what is being offered in your communities. There may be options for volunteering to help others, and there are many ways to support each other during this pandemic, while practicing social distancing of course!