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BC Economic Development Association



## #COVID\_19 Bulletin: March 31, 2020

### Information for Businesses

#### [BCEDA #COVID19 Resources for BC Businesses Guide](#)

**All of these updates are now located in one document. This shareable, live guide is being continually updated with the most relevant information, tools and resources for the BC business community. [Click here to view.](#)**

#### Newly Updated:

- [Province of BC: COVID19 Leave](#)
- [Harvard Business Review: Lead Your Business Through the Coronavirus Crisis](#)
- [Managing COVID-19 Stress, Anxiety & Depression](#)
- [Province of BC: Orders, Notices & Guidance](#)
- [Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce: How to work on your business when you can't work in your business](#)
- [Guidance to retail food and grocery stores operating during COVID-19](#)
- [BC CDC Information for Food Businesses](#)

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### The BC Tech Virtual Connection Day

Free one-on-one virtual meeting with a technology expert to help your business survive and thrive

Our world is facing unprecedented times, customers are buying goods and services in different ways and businesses need to adapt. The BC Tech Virtual Connection Day offers small to medium-sized businesses in BC a one-on-one virtual meeting with a technology expert to learn what tools and tactics you can adopt to help your company in this uncertain time.

**The BC Tech Virtual Connection Day is on Friday, April 3, 2020. [Apply by March 31 via this link: <https://bctechassociation.typeform.com/to/dwQOla>](#)**

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## Information for Economic Developers and Local Leaders

### Around the Province: Examples of What BC Communities Are Doing

- [Chetwyd Chamber of Commerce - Working on your business, when you can't work in your business](#)
- [@ClearwaterHealthyLivingProgram is hosting wellness classes online](#)
- [Penticton launches Economic Recovery Task Force to support local business](#)
- [Coquitlam offers meal deliver and other support to seniors](#)
- [Quadra caremongering saves lives during COVID-19 crisis](#)
- [Invest Surrey Store to Door](#)

**#StrongerTogether - Have you developed processes or resources that you would like to share with other communities? Please email to [info@bceda.ca](mailto:info@bceda.ca)**

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### [COVID-19 forces B.C. authorities to rethink emergency response to wildfires and floods](#)

Physical distancing, self-isolation now vital considerations in evacuation plans

CBC News · Posted: Mar 31, 2020

Emergency officials in B.C. are modifying their usual preparations for the approaching flood and wildfire seasons to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Operations centres are having to plan how to carry out evacuations from at-risk areas while following the public health orders of maintaining physical distancing and self-isolation.

[Read more](#)

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### [BC Business Council: Long term priorities for Canada's post-pandemic economy](#)

The COVID-19 pandemic has radically altered the immediate priorities for Canadian and global policymakers. But before the pre-pandemic economy is forgotten, it's important to take stock of how Canada's economy was performing and what the long-term policy priorities will need to be once the crisis has passed. Via @BizCouncilBC

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### Municipal World 'MW Shares' Podcast: The Economics of Pandemics - Kadie Ward

Economic development expert Kadie Ward joins us to talk about the economic impact of COVID-19,

what we are likely to see now and in the months ahead, and what municipalities can be doing now to ensure their local businesses not only survive the crisis, but are well positioned for recovery.

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**More resources are available at <https://bceda.ca/coronavirus.php>**