

April 24, 2020

To our RPM small businesses and neighbors:

We hope that you are all safe and healthy as you face the challenge of a lifetime. As we on CTA's RPM team have gotten to know you over time, we have come to care deeply about you, your business and this community. We are committed to do our best to support you throughout the life of the RPM project through our upcoming Open for Business campaign, and we are excited about the benefits this project will bring to your community. But that's in the future, and we want to support you right now.

Below are links to COVID-19 business-related resources about small business financial support programs (federal and local) that we're aware of through our partners at the City of Chicago, 44th, 46th and 48th wards and local chambers of commerce. Our team will also continue to patronize local businesses throughout this period and pass along the word about what great restaurants, shops, entertainment and services are available in the amazing Lakeview, Uptown, Andersonville and Edgewater communities.

City of Chicago Business Affairs and Consumer Protection: Information and resources for small businesses and residents about COVID-19 https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/bacp/supp_info/covid19resources.html

Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce: Multiple resources and information for small businesses in East Lakeview: <https://lakevieweast.com/covid19/>

Uptown United: Up-to-date resources, webinars, and more for small businesses: <https://exploreuptown.org/keepituptown/business-resources/>

Edgewater Chamber of Commerce: Info about the Chicago Small Business Resiliency Fund (deadline to file is Friday, April 24, at 5 p.m.) and more <https://www.edgewater.org/for-business/resources/>

Andersonville Chamber of Commerce: Information about small businesses and COVID-19 <http://www.andersonville.org/updates/>

44th Ward: Information and links to COVID-19 resources: <https://www.44thward.org/>

46th Ward: Latest information on COVID-19 for residents and stakeholders <https://www.james46.org/coronavirus-covid-19-update/>

48th Ward: Latest information on COVID-19 for residents and stakeholders <http://48thward.org/coronavirus/>

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