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TO: Mayor Robinson and City Councilmembers

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SUBJECT: Economic Development Relief Work for COVID-19 Outbreak

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Mayor Robinson issued an emergency proclamation on March 3, positioning the City to move quickly to respond to the potential spread of COVID – 19. Since that time, the City has taken actions to support Bellevue’s business and arts communities through several programs and strategies.

On Monday, April 20th staff will provide an overview of regional economic impacts and how the City is translating needs into business support solutions, including:

- Coordinating Eastside partners on COVID-19 economic response;
- A compilation of resources and technical assistance available to local businesses;
- Engagement and proactive outreach to small and mid-sized organizations;
- Review of the various state and federal loan and grant programs;
- Marketing and promotion of small businesses still operating.

The City of Bellevue is working to address the needs of its business and arts communities. Business resources can be found on the [Business Resources page](#), and on [\(re\)STARTUP425](#).