



August 28, 2020

COVID-19 Resource Awareness

FREE Consultant Services with 30+ Small Business Experts – [visit](#) Pikes Peak SBDC

FUNDING SOURCES:

[Business Impact Assistance Program](#) (BIAP) – *sponsored by City of Fountain*
New Eligibility Criteria effective August 2020 – APPLY TODAY!

[EPC Regional Relief Business Fund](#) – apply through September 7, 2020

A competitive grant application process through the new, multi-million dollar EPC Regional Business Relief Fund as part of their Response, Recovery, Resiliency efforts. These grants (up to \$20k) will assist small business most in need with their business related costs incurred due to the COVID-19 economic disruption.

Application period is open August 12 - September 7, 2020 - [click here](#) to learn more

[Energize Colorado Gap Fund](#) - opens August 31st

Energize Colorado announced applications for grants and loans through the Energize Colorado Gap Fund will open on Monday, August 31, 2020.

Small businesses with fewer than 25 full-time employees can apply for support through a mixture of grants and loans, up to a maximum of \$15,000 in grants and \$20,000 in loans for a possible combined total of \$35,000 in financial assistance. The application process is not first-come, first-served and will be distributed in phases. Applicants are encouraged to be thoughtful in their responses as not all applications are guaranteed approval.

Questions about the Gap Fund?

You can call the Energize Colorado hotline at 1-800-471-0628. It is open seven days a week from 6 am to 6 pm. You can also email GapFundSupport@energizecolorado.com.

NOTICES:

Updated PPP Forgiveness Regulations – [US Treasury](#) August 2020

[ALERT](#): Malicious Cyber Spoofing COVID-19 Loan Relief webpage and phishing scam

[Small Business Roundtable](#) series – hosted by the Colorado Springs Chamber+EDC

[CO Department of Health and Public Safety](#) – new data tracking website

OPPORTUNITIES:

Economic Development and Urban Renewal
116 South Main St, Fountain, CO 80817
www.fountaincolorado.org

VOTE: [2020 Best Workplaces](#)

Nominations close August 31st

Survey: [Fountain Valley Chamber of Commerce](#)

Chamber seeks input on current events, scheduling, and advertising opportunities for business.

SizeUP: New Business Intelligence Tool

Join in on a demonstration of this FREE tool to better position business for customer markets.

Two Webinars:

Sept 1, 2020 @ 2pm - [register](#)

Sept 3, 2020 @ 10am - [register](#)

Learn how to benchmark your business, how to identify competitors, customers, and supplier, how to identify more optimal marketing areas for business growth.

CHAMPIONS:

- **El Paso County Public Health Department** – education, resources, and standard operational procedural guidance in regards to workplace, employee and customer conditions.
<https://www.elpasocountyhealth.org/>
- **State of Colorado COVID-19 for Employers (CO)** - <https://choosecolorado.com/covid19/>
 - **Economic Injury Hotline: 303-860-5881**
 - **Unemployment, Workforce, Wages:** <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/COVID-19-Business-Updates--Employee-and-Fundingresources.html?soid=1105231688793&aid=Zv9hwt3XHIU>
Social Distancing Certification for Employers
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WusiYVYeI0tFI6W7_CPpNBaJneXMxxwL/view

COVID-19 Business Assistance – *city webpage*

<https://www.fountaincolorado.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=6004447&pageId=16651230>