

All Industry Update

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**All Business Group – Tuesdays at 9:00 am**

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### **Agenda**

1. Loren Ahonen will provide an update for all business sectors on Gunnison County's Protect our Neighbors designation and what that means for business operations
2. Public Health and testing update

### **Additional Business Updates & Resources**

#### Energize CO GAP Fund

[Energize Colorado](#), alongside the State of Colorado and the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, announce that applications for grants and loans through the Energize Colorado Gap Fund **are currently open. Applications accepted on a rolling basis through December.**

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. Learn more [here](#).

#### Greenline Emergency Microloan Program

Greenline Ventures seeks to provide funding to small businesses throughout the Western Slope of Colorado to help deal with adverse impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Businesses must be in the Western Slope of Colorado (with an emphasis for businesses based in Grand Junction) and have fewer than 50 employees. Must be able to show adverse impact from the pandemic. The Microloan Program provides loans on the following terms:

**Loan Amount:** Loans are available for \$10,000 up to \$50,000 **Interest / Amortization:** No interest or principal payments for the first six months, followed by 54 months of level principal and interest payments at a 2% interest rate **Maturity:** 60 months / 5 years **Fees:** There are no fees (application, origination, exit) or prepayment penalties **Collateral:** No collateral requirements.

More information can be found [here](#).

## **Public Health Updates**

As many have noticed, we have been conducting many additional tests over the last few weeks. This is not because of a spike in symptomatic individuals, rather this reflects the asymptomatic testing that is being conducted. The Center for Medicare and Medicaid services is now requiring 2 monthly screenings of assisted living staff and residents before they can allow in person visits. To achieve this, Gunnison Valley Health has upped regular testing and is one of the reasons for the uptick in testing numbers. In addition, we have added additional asymptomatic screenings to first responders, incident command staff, and health care workers.

In the 14-day period from Sep. 1-Sep. 14, positivity sits at 0.7% with a total of 3 positive results. We have not had any positive test results since September 1<sup>st</sup>. We do not meet any of the [indicators](#) for a move to yellow (three of seven criteria must be met). No other indicators have been met at this time.

Overall, we have seen 258 positive tests so far with 2,544 negative tests.

For more information about test data, visit Gunnison County's [Test Data webpage](#) and [Dashboard webpage](#).