

All Industry Update

Tuesday, December 8

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All Business Group – Tuesdays at 9:00 am

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

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Agenda

- 1. Summary of finalized legislation from the CO COVID-19 Relief Special Session**
- 2. Community Testing Update**
- 3. Public Health update and numbers**

The State Legislature met in special session this week to focus on state-wide COVID-19 relief efforts. During the special session, 10 bills were passed with targeted COVID-19 relief. This includes a series of small business grants for qualifying sectors (largely bars, restaurants, entertainment, and arts organizations). There is also a sales tax relief package that passed as well. Tune into the 12/8 meeting for a summary of the legislation and the resources we expect to be able to pass along to businesses and our community.

Gunnison County is planning a free community testing event in conjunction with CDPHE and the National Guard in coming weeks. This test will be a Curative PCR test and will show individuals a snapshot of if they are actively infected with the virus. The event will be free and open to anyone who wishes to receive a test.

- Thursday, December 17th will be at the Crested Butte Fire Station #4 (Buckhorn Airport) 104 S. Avion Dr
- Friday, December 18th will be at the Gunnison County Fairgrounds

Both sites will operate from 7:00 am – 5:00 pm. Lines will close at 5:00 pm, those in line at 5:00 pm get tested. Please pre-register below.

CB Link (Dec 17):

<https://curative.com/sites/15529/walkup#9/38.8309/-106.9095>

Gunnison Link (Dec 18):

<https://curative.com/sites/15531/walkup#9/38.5433/-106.9309>

Additional Business Updates & Resources

For the most comprehensive and up-to-date financial resources available to businesses and non-profits please refer to the COVID-19 Small Business Alternative Funding [tool](#) created by Colorado Office of Economic Development & International Trade.

Rural Relief Small Business Grants

LISC and Lowe's continue to partner on the Rural Relief Small Business Grants. **The next round of applications will be open November 26 – December 6, 2020.** More information can be found [here](#).

This is a continuing grant cycle for small businesses in rural communities (under 50,000 people). Grants range from \$5,000-\$20,000 and can be used for rent and utilities, meeting payroll, paying outstanding debt to vendors, and other immediate operational costs.

Public Health Updates

As of 12/3 our testing numbers are 574 positive, 5,571 negative, and 54 pending tests.

We continue to meet two indicators for a move to the Yellow level of Gunnison County's Coronameter. We have had 3 or more days in a 7-day period with 3 or more positives per day. The second indicator regarding positivity of tests remains well over our 5% threshold but has come down to 9.51%.

There is currently a COVID admit to the hospital that has been there since Monday.

The remaining indicators in the Coronameter are in regards to our ability to give care. While our local healthcare system continues to manage well, there has been an increase in hospitalizations at the state level. We will continue to monitor these indicators and update the community.

We can all make a difference in containing the spread.

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