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TO: ALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY EXECUTIVES, COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS,
COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS AND COUNTY CLERKS

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RE: APRIL 30, 2020 COVID-19 UPDATES

Key Resources

1. [CAB: COVID-19 Employment Related FAQs](#)
2. [CAB: Layoffs and Furloughs Under Civil Service Law](#)
3. [Treasury Guidance CARES Act Funds 4.22.2020](#)
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Gov. DeWine's COVID-19 Press Conference

In today's press conference, Gov. DeWine announced that Ohio now has 18,027 cases. There have been 975 COVID-19 related deaths. These numbers include both confirmed and probable cases as reported by ODH.

Current information regarding reopening can be found at <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/responsiblestartohio>.

If you want to help Ohio's response to this pandemic, you can contact the state at together@governor.ohio.gov.

A video of the governor's April 30th press conference can be found [here](#). The administration plans to hold press conferences daily at 2 p.m. Press conferences can be viewed on www.ohiochannel.org.

PPE Shipment to Local EMAs

The state of Ohio has shipped 4.1 million pieces of personal protective equipment (PPE) to local emergency management agencies (EMA) across Ohio.



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Although this is not the first shipment of PPE, this is the largest one-time distribution of PPE from the state of Ohio to the local EMAs in Ohio history.

The shipment includes:

- 500,000 N95 masks
- 850,000 face shields
- 750,000 surgical-type masks
- 2 million non-medical gloves

The PPE was secured through the work of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, JobsOhio, Ohio Department of Health, and Ohio Emergency Management Agency.

NACo Hosting Two Webinars on Federal Funding – May 1st and May 4th

NACo is hosting two webinars on federal funding. We encourage our members to take advantage of these educational opportunities. Details for each webinar and links to register are below:

How Counties Can Access and Utilize Funds from FEMA’s Public Assistance Program for COVID-19 Response and Recovery

Friday, May 1st, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

The FEMA Public Assistance Program provides vital aid to counties to support response and recovery efforts from major disasters, such as the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. However, the application process and determination of eligible funds can oftentimes be complex and difficult to navigate. Under the current circumstances, it is vital for county leaders to know how to access and utilize PA funds in order to continue to provide critical services to our residents. Join NACo and FEMA for this webinar that will provide an in-depth look at the application process, eligible costs and answer any questions you may have regarding the PA program. For registration information, click [here](#).

Accessing the \$2 Trillion COVID-19 Fund: Navigating Federal Funding Streams and Preparing for Federal Reimbursement

Monday, May 4th, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Please join the National Association of Counties in partnership with Witt O’Brien’s for an upcoming webinar series for NACo members affected by COVID-19. The series will highlight first steps for members in need of a plan for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursements. For registration information, click [here](#).

CORSA Updated Risk Control Service Bulletin

CORSA released an updated Risk Control Service Bulletin regarding reopening responsible protocols. To read this bulletin, click [here](#).

ODJFS Current Unemployment Programs Chart

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services provided a [chart](#) comparing the current unemployment programs in place. These programs include Regular Unemployment Insurance, Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC). To view the chart, click [here](#).

Ohio Initial Jobless Claims for Sunday, April 19, through Saturday, April 25, 2020

For the week ending April 25, 2020, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) reported 92,920 initial jobless claims to the U.S. Dept. of Labor. The number of initial jobless claims filed in Ohio over the last six weeks tops 1 million (1,057,486). To read more, click [here](#).

ODJFS SharedWork Program Guide

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services SharedWork Program Guide is now available on the CCAO website. To read the guide, click [here](#).

NACo Launches *We Are Counties* Campaign to Help Tell Your Story

The National Association of Counties [We Are Counties](#) campaign aims to put faces on the many frontline services counties provide, and they need your help. They are asking frontline county employees to submit videos and photos to illustrate that counties are comprised of people responding to this public health and economic crisis. Learn more about the campaign [here](#).

CCAO/CORSA/CEBCO COVID-19 Weekly Briefing Call

CCAO, CORSA and CEBCO are hosting a weekly briefing call during the COVID-19 pandemic. **The calls will be on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.** The next call will be Thursday, May 7th at 3:30 p.m. The call-in information is:

**Dial 1-877-273-4202
Access code 889-229-624**

Our goal with these briefing calls is to provide our members with an informative and positive experience. In order to better achieve this goal and due to the volume of callers, we have decided to change the format. We ask that participants pose questions during the call by **texting** Rachel Massoud (CCAO policy analyst) at **513-543-3723**. Rachel will read the questions to our speaker(s) and state the name and title of the person who posed the question. Participants will remain muted throughout the duration of the call. We hope this format will reduce duplication, keep our calls focused and concise, and provide the best experience possible for our participants.

Other Resources

[Editable #InThisTogetherOhio Logo](#)

[NACo COVID-19 webpage](#)

Visit <https://ccao.org/resources/coronavirus-updates/> for updates, FAQs and previous memos. Current information from the Ohio Department of Health can be found at www.coronavirus.ohio.gov. If you have questions regarding this memo or best practice suggestions relating to COVID-19, please contact Adam Schwiebert, policy analyst, at aschwiebert@ccao.org, or Rachel Massoud, policy analyst, at rmassoud@ccao.org.