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SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza's Response to the President's Declaration of a National Emergency

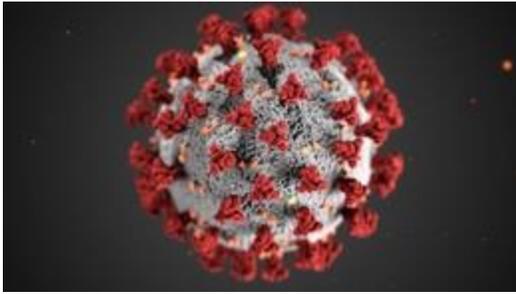
The President's decision to declare a national emergency represents another significant and very important step in reducing barriers to public health and protecting America's 30 million small businesses from the threat posed by Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The President's declaration, coupled with the Administration's unprecedented efforts to mobilize and involve the full force of the federal government and the private sector — including leaders in science, medicine, transportation, finance and business — will help save lives and reduce economic disruptions in every community.

The SBA is strongly committed to providing the most effective and customer-focused response possible to support small businesses that have incurred substantial economic loss as a result of the outbreak. The Agency is working closely with Governors to make up to \$2 million in targeted, low-interest disaster recovery loans available to any small business enterprise that has been severely impacted by the situation.

[Read the full press release](#)





SBA to Provide Disaster Assistance Loans for Small Businesses Impacted by Coronavirus (COVID-19)

SBA is offering designated states and territories low-interest federal disaster loans for working capital to small businesses

suffering substantial economic injury as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Upon a request received from a state's or territory's Governor, SBA will issue under its own authority, as provided by the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act that was recently signed by the President, an Economic Injury Disaster Loan declaration.

[Learn more](#)



Tips for Small Businesses to Plan for and Respond to Coronavirus

Health and government officials are working together to maintain the safety, security, and health of the American people.

Small businesses are encouraged to do their part to keep their employees, customers, and themselves healthy.

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Get Inspired: Small Business Success Story

Natalie Kaddas, President and CEO of Kaddas Enterprises, wanted to handle her business's growth with care, so she turned to the SBA for assistance.

For over 50 years the Salt Lake City, Utah-based company has manufactured thermoform plastic for the medical, transportation, and utility industries. Kaddas is the second generation owner of the family business, which also manufactures polymer products for the aviation industry.

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Twitter Chat: Business Success Her Way

Happy Women's History Month! To celebrate, join our Twitter chat on Tuesday, March 17 at 3pm ET.

We'll be sharing tips and resources to help women entrepreneurs start, grow and expand their businesses.

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