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Economic Development launches FlaglerOpen4.biz to capture local business status during COVID-19 pandemic

March 24, 2020 – Flagler County’s Economic Development office launched FlaglerOpen4.biz to allow local businesses to create a listing of services for residents during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Businesses can complete a [survey](#) that allows them to do the following: provide information about availability and services to the public; and control the information business owners need the community to know.

“We need to work together to keep our economy healthy and maintain our quality of life,” said Kat Friel, economic development manager. “We are asking everyone to share this information, because this is more than a sustainability tool. It’s a platform to springboard recovery.”

Flagler County’s GIS team worked with Friel and her business partners at the Chamber and the tourism office to devise a plan to get business information to the public.

“Both the business team and the GIS team are very forward thinking,” said GIS Manager Darlene Pardiny. “We’ve been collaborating since the weekend in what has proven to be a very fluid process.”

The result is a survey for businesses and a corresponding interactive map for the community, accessible at FlaglerOpen4.biz.

The CDC guidelines stipulate that all gatherings should be limited to 10 people or fewer, and 6 feet of distance should be maintained.

Officials urge all residents and businesses to follow Florida Department of Health and CDC guidance, to include:

- Frequent hand washing
- Stay home when possible
- Avoiding close contact with people who are sick

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Additionally, those who are sick and/or told to self-isolate should: remain at home unless seeking medical care, cover coughs and sneezes, wear a facemask around others, and disinfect touched surfaces daily.

Anyone with government services questions should call Flagler County's main telephone line to get further clarification, 386-313-4000.

All COVID-19 related questions should be directed to the hotline, 866-779-6121.

Check for current information on Flagler County's website www.flaglercounty.org, and follow "Flagler County Government" or "Flagler County Emergency Management" on Social Media. The county's social media team will provide updates through these official accounts:

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- [Facebook.com/FlaglerCountyGovernment](https://www.facebook.com/FlaglerCountyGovernment)

Flagler County Emergency Management

- [Facebook.com/FlaglerEOC](https://www.facebook.com/FlaglerEOC)
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