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Municipal Clerks: Please forward to your Mayor, Governing Body and Department Heads.

To assist in providing guidance and information we have created a [COVID-19 resource page](#). We will continue to update the page as we get pertinent information and include announcements in our Daily Updates.

I. Governor Issues Executive Order 129

Yesterday the Governor issued [Executive Order 129](#) extending Retired Officer Carry Permits that expired during the Public Health Emergency until 90 days after the end of the Public Health Emergency. However, the retired officer must submit their renewal application prior to the later of the expiration of their current permit or prior to May 4, 2020, and submit proof of qualification on the use of their weapons. In addition the executive order permits a shooting range closed to the public under Executive Order 107 to open for individuals seeking a Carry Permit along with their single instructor under certain circumstances.

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II. New Help for Local Businesses

On April 24, 2020, the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act of 2020 was signed into law. The new law expands and modifies the significant new resources for businesses from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) that were established in previous legislation, including the CARES Act, replenishing funding for both PPP and EIDL loans.

The U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship has prepared a [Small Business Owner's Guide to the CARES Act](#) on all of the forthcoming federal resources. SBA has also established a dedicated page of [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): Small Business Guidance & Loan Resources](#) for all current and pending assistance pertaining to economic relief during the current crisis.

Also on April 24, the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) announced that [Goldman Sachs](#), in partnership with [Pursuit](#), has committed \$10 million to loans for small businesses in New Jersey. The commitment is part of Goldman Sachs's 10,000 Small Businesses initiative. [See loan applications currently available.](#)

The loans will be made through the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). They provide a new opportunity for small businesses and nonprofits that have been unable to submit a PPP application through another lending institution. Loans made through this program can be used for payroll costs, interest on mortgages, rent, and utilities. Businesses that receive financing through the program can have their loans partially or wholly forgiven if they maintain or rehire their workforce after the COVID-19 outbreak is controlled.

Additionally, all New Jersey counties are now approved for federal disaster assistance, making New Jersey businesses eligible to apply for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs). These are working capital loans to help small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture, and most private, non-profit organizations of all sizes meet their ordinary and necessary financial obligations that cannot be met as a direct result of the disaster. These loans are intended to assist through the disaster recovery period.

To see whether you might qualify for this program, use the [NJ COVID-19 Business Support Eligibility Wizard](#).

The State of New Jersey has also compiled information regarding other [federal competitive grant opportunities](#), some of which are open to businesses.

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III. Earn CEU Credits from Home with NJLM Webinars

a. Recent OPRA Decisions and "Q & A with the GRC"

Friday, May 15, 2020
9:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Location: Your Computer

CEUs: CMFO/CCFO-4.0 Off MGMT/ANC;CTC-4.0 Gen/Sec;CPWM-4.0 GOVT;RMC-4.0 Rec;QPA-4.0 Off Admin/Gen Duties;CPA-4.0 PD;RPPO/RPPS-4.0 M/S;CRP-4.0 Classroom; Planning Board Secretaries-3.5 Tech, Zoning Officials-3.5 Tech, Land Use Administrators-3.5 Tech;CPC-3.5;NJCLE-4.0

[Event Details for May 15 OPRA Program](#)

b.The Online Mini Conference

June 10, 11, 12, 2020
Location: Your Computer

The NJLM Online Mini Conference is now open for registration. The Conference will take place over June 10, 11, and 12, 2020 and offer 12 different webinars for attendees to join for one low price. CEUs are available for Finance Officers, Tax Collectors, Public Works, Municipal Clerks, Accountants, Recycling Professionals, and New Jersey Attorneys. Some attendees can earn up to **16.5 CEUs in three days!** Cost for Members is \$115 per person and \$130 for nonmembers.

For a schedule of webinars and the registration form please visit the [Mini Conference website](#).

If you have any questions please contact Danielle Holland-Htut at 609-695-3481 ext 118 or dholland@njlm.org.

IV. Last Chance! Claim Your CEUs from the 2019 Annual League Conference

Attention Municipal Officials! Do Not Forget to Claim Your CEUs from the 2019 NJLM Annual Conference! Visit the [Conference Tracking page](#) to claim your credits. The Tracking System closes on May 1.

VI. Virtual Sustainability Summit over 4 Weeks

In order to adhere to current public health standards and social distancing guidelines, Sustainable Jersey has cancelled the June 12 Sustainability Summit. Instead, they are offering four weeks of FREE virtual "Summit-like" content from April 20 through May 15. Access free online educational sessions like, social "happy hours," and 30 minute talks on a variety of topics.

See the [full schedule and register for events](#)

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