

Legislative Link Update

March 25, 2020

Hello and welcome to the 2020 Glendale Legislative Link Program.

On Monday, the Arizona Legislature passed a FY 2021 “skinny” budget and has adjourned until April 13th. The budget will be transmitted to the Governor who is expected to sign it. The adjournment motion also contained a clause that would allow the Speaker and President to call the bodies back with a 24-hour notice if it is determined to be necessary. If/when the Legislature returns to the floor this session, all one-time budget appropriations approved through House or Senate bills will be included in a supplemental Budget Reconciliation Bill (BRB) that is expected to be introduced when leadership has determined that the Legislature is ready to adjourn Sine Die for the 2020 Legislation Session.

Arizona Together Initiative, Linking Arizonans To Resources During COVID-19 Outbreak

Governor Ducey has launched the Arizona Together initiative to support Arizonans during the COVID-19 outbreak, connecting individuals and businesses to resources, raising money for community organizations and providing information on volunteer opportunities. The website provides a wide range of resources including how to receive financial assistance, food, and healthcare. Also included on the webpage are business resources, information for homeowners experiencing financial hardship directly or indirectly related to Coronavirus and how to seek help with utility payments and internet access. For more information about the initiative, please visit <https://arizonatogether.org/>

As part of this initiative, Governor Ducey has also created the AZ Coronavirus Relief Fund. The fund will provide financial support to organizations working to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 in Arizona. Initially, the fund will focus on the following immediate needs:

- Funding of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for frontline medical personnel.
- Supporting non-profit organizations that help vulnerable Arizonans through food banks, homeless shelters, domestic violence facilities and other services.
- Expanding technology access for low-income students to help them transition to online learning.

Individuals who wish to donate to the AZ Coronavirus Relief Fund can do so on <https://arizonatogether.org/>.

State Resources For Arizonans Impacted By the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The Governor’s Office has made several policy changes and has provided additional resources to support Arizonans during the COVID-19 outbreak. Included in this update are links to the resources and programs offered to Arizonans over the past 3 days. Please contact the City of Glendale Intergovernmental Relations Department should you have any questions related to these new or expanded services.

Governor Ducey Expands Telemedicine Coverage For Arizonans

<https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2020/03/governor-ducey-expands-telemedicine-coverage-arizonans>

Governor Ducey Requests Changes To Food Assistance Program

<https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2020/03/governor-ducey-requests-changes-food-assistance-program>

Governor Ducey Issues Order Delaying Evictions For Renters Impacted By COVID-19

<https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2020/03/governor-ducey-issues-order-delaying-evictions-renters-impacted-covid-19>

Arizona Medicaid Program Receives Authority To Implement Program Changes To Address COVID-19

<https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2020/03/arizona-medicaid-program-receives-authority-implement-program-changes-address>

Governor Ducey And Superintendent Hoffman Announce Childcare For COVID-19 Frontline Workers

<https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2020/03/governor-ducey-and-superintendent-hoffman-announce-childcare-covid-19>

Governor Ducey Takes Step To Free Up More Physicians To Address COVID-19

<https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2020/03/governor-ducey-takes-step-free-more-physicians-address-covid-19>

Governor Ducey Announces Public-Private Partnership To Secure Additional Medical Equipment

<https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2020/03/governor-ducey-announces-public-private-partnership-secure-additional-medical>

Best regards,

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