Entrepreneur Resources Available

As part of our commitment to the Flint community, University of Michigan-Flint Office of University Outreach’s Innovation Incubator has put together a list of resources from our governmental and entrepreneurial service partners throughout the region.

Below you will find resources available to entrepreneurs during this uncertain time:

**SBA Disaster Loans**
- Application for loans up to $10,000 for Coronavirus-related losses
  
  [https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/](https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/)

**Metro Community Development**
- Business loans (up to $250,000) and credit counseling
  
  [https://www.metrocommunitydevelopment.com/business-lending](https://www.metrocommunitydevelopment.com/business-lending)

**Patronicity Crowdfunding**
- Crowdfunding platform for small businesses and non-profits
  
  [https://www.patronicity.com/small-biz](https://www.patronicity.com/small-biz)

**James Beard Foundation Food and Beverage Industry Relief Fund**
- Funding for small, independent restaurants to pay operating expenses
  
  [https://www.jamesbeard.org/relief](https://www.jamesbeard.org/relief)
Facebook Small Business Grants Program

- Funding for small business owners’ rent, labor, and operational expenses

https://www.facebook.com/business/boost/grant

COVID-19 Michigan Women Forward Resilience Fund

- Microloans for women-owned businesses and special projects

https://mailchi.mp/5819d8715c13/michigan-women-were-here-to-help-489998?e=a3dee233e6

Michigan Unemployment Benefits

- Application for unemployment insurance benefits in Michigan

https://www.michigan.gov/leo/0,5863,7-336-78421_97241---,00.html

Flint and Genesee Chamber of Commerce

- Coronavirus Toolkit - Resources for employers and business owners

https://www.flintandgenesee.org/coronavirus-resources-for-employers-and-businesses/

- Live and pre-recorded webinars for employers and business owners

https://www.flintandgenesee.org/coronavirus-resources-for-employers-and-businesses/webinars-trainings/

MI-Small Business Development Center

- Updated funding opportunities, webinars and FAQ

https://sbdcmichigan.org/small-business-covid19/

- Business counseling services for small business owners

https://sbdcmichigan.org/start-grow-flint/
Michigan Economic Development Corporation

- Statewide resources and information for Michigan business owners

https://www.michiganbusiness.org/covid19/

Small Business Administration learning modules

- Self-paced online learning modules for small business owners

https://www.sba.gov/learning-center

MI Start Smart Resource Portal

- Listing of entrepreneurial service providers in I-69 Thumb region

http://mistartsmart.com

Genesee County Health Department

- Food and community health resources in Genesee County

https://gchd.us/food-community-resources/

Communities First Inc.

- Information, education, health, and technology resources available statewide

http://communitiesfirstinc.org/updates/coronavirus-resources?fbclid=IwAR37frJh0ddQkM1oKTzxMFckGyxPfuSIY-RiteyOga7qyogOjqqyN8PS0IEI

Poets and Writers Magazine

- Grants and financial assistance for writers and other artists

https://www.pw.org/content/resources_for_writers_in_the_time_of_coronavirus
LISC grants

- Small business grants up to $10,000

https://www.lisc.org/covid-19/small-business-assistance/small-business-relief-grants/