Economic Impact & Intervention Task Force

Briefing: April 3, 2020
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Impacts of the Shutdown and Federal Response on the Three-County Portland Economy
The road ahead

- **Shutdown**: March – June or longer
- **Reopening**: Three to Twelve Months
- **Recovery**: One to three or more years

Source: UO Institute for Policy Research & Engagement and ECONorthwest
Three questions

1. How is the regional economy affected during the shutdown?
2. How, and to what extent, does the federal CARES Act mitigate the near-term economic damage?
3. How can localities make limited assistance count?
Q1: How is the regional economy affected during the shutdown?
Businesses close, or slowdown, during the stay-at-home order

Business revenues decline

Businesses implement layoffs and furloughs

Households lose income and spend less
Air travel down 93% nationally from last year

TSA checkpoint travel numbers for 2020 and 2019

-93%

146k

www.calculatedriskblog.com
Hotel occupancy down 67% nationally from last year
Economic effects are widespread

Alaska Airlines to cut flights by 70% in April and May due to coronavirus

Burgerville furloughs 68 percent of workforce

OHSU expects $50M a month hit from COVID-19
State unemployment rate could already be 11%

169,200 Initial claims statewide in past 2 weeks

Source: OED, Oregonian
Weekly UI Claims by Industry for Oregon (Week ending March 28, 2020)

Source: OED, Oregonian
Note: Information for smaller industries remains confidential
Three categories of industry employment impact:
  - Lightly or not impacted
  - Slowdown: 20% layoffs/reduced hours and revenue
  - Closed: 70% layoffs/reduced hours and revenue

65% of employees in Portland Metro are in industries with high risk of business disruption

High risk of disruption industries account for 48% of revenue (output) in the region
Top 10 potential industry job losses, Portland Metro

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<td>Food Services and Drinking Places</td>
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<td>Management of Companies</td>
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250k total jobs at risk during shutdown
Supply chain and consumer expenditure multipliers

Direct impact
$615 Million wages per month

Total impact
(Direct + Indirect + Induced)
$1 billion wages per month

1.6x
Effects in the Three-County Portland

- Business revenue falls by $4 billion/month
- Unemployment rate increases to 20-25%
- Personal income falls by $1 billion/month
Q2: How, and to what extent, does the CARES Act mitigate the near-term damage?
How the CARES Act breaks down

- Individuals: $560 billion (estimated)
- Public health: $153.5 billion
- Big corporations: $500 billion
- State & local governments: $339.8 billion
- Small businesses: $377 billion
- Safety net: $26 billion

Source: Estimates for third relief bill based on bill text, committee and administration numbers.

Credit: Audrey Carlsen/NPR
Design of the Economic Relief Rebate

Proposed Relief Rebate in the CARES Act

Proposed Individual Economic Relief Rebate By Filing Status

Source: "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act"
Distribution of the rebates in Portland

623K eligible households and about $1.4 billion in rebates

Total CARES Act rebates by binned household income
Portland tri-county metro area

Source: 2018 1-yr ACS PUMS
Paycheck Protection Program:

- SBA loans of up to 2.5 times average monthly payroll costs in the year prior to the loan date
- Borrower is eligible for loan forgiveness equal to the amount the borrower spent on payroll, rent, and utilities during the 8-week period beginning on the date of the origination of the loan
- Forgiveness is reduced if the employer reduces the number of employees or cuts wages
Federal CARES Act is the largest stimulus/disaster relief package in modern U.S. history

Syncs well with a moderate/aggressive, three-month social distancing strategy

Attempts to cover many bases, including:
- Low-income and gig-economy workers
- Seniors and people with disabilities
- Small business liquidity

Does not address the re-opening or recovery periods
How can localities make limited assistance count?
Closely monitor implementation of the expansive federal response and fill gaps

Prioritize scarce resources through eviction moratorium and suspensions of mortgage payments

Consider targeting funds to:
- Small businesses and non-profits especially hard hit traded-sector clusters (e.g., creative arts)
- Main Street businesses located in the established districts of the Neighborhood Prosperity Network
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Economic Stabilization
& Recovery Framework

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Economic Stabilization & Recovery Framework

1. Increase Communication & Connections to Support
2. Mitigate Economic Hardship on Impacted Individuals
3. Help Local Businesses Stay Solvent & Retain Employees
4. Evaluate City Business Practices & Redirect Available Resources

Prioritize support to the most vulnerable, applying a racial equity lens. **Act quickly.** Leverage existing networks and assets. Made a difference where possible. **Partner & advocate elsewhere.**
Economic Impact Response Teams

**Economic Impact Action Committee**
City leaders and organizational partners. Meet daily to set priorities, coordinate activities & deploy resources.

**Economic Impact & Intervention Task Force**
Business, community, foundation, labor, public, and workforce leaders. Advises on collaborative economic stabilization and recovery interventions.

**Pull together Working Groups Regularly**
Engage key stakeholders in coordination with Task Force and Action Committee.
Actions Taken

1. Increase Communication & Connections to Support
   - Established central number and call center for small businesses and impacted individuals: 503-823-4000
   - Launched COVID-19 Resource Page for businesses and residents

2. Mitigate Economic Hardship on Impacted Individuals
   - Imposed an eviction moratorium for residents
   - Secured unemployment insurance regulations adjustment

3. Help Small Businesses Stay Solvent & Retain Employees
   - Provided $150k to APANO to support Jade District Businesses
   - Launched $2.4M Small Business Relief Fund with partners
   - Unlocked SBA-disaster loans

4. Evaluate City Business Practices and Redirect Available Resources
   - City and Prosper offered rent and loan payment deferrals for borrowers & commercial tenants
   - Redirected $3M to invest in small business fund and household rent relief

Next Steps

- Connections to CARES Campaign
- Refine and implement equity lens and workgroup recommendations
- Pursue additional resources for small business relief grants
- Strategically deploy federal resources and refine legislative agenda
Small Business Relief Fund

Tory Campbell, Economic Development Director
Prosper Portland
Portland Small Business Relief Fund

**Purpose:** Provide small grants and no interest loans to COVID-19 impacted businesses to provide interim relief to businesses and enable them to retain their business and employees.
Partner Engagement:
Oregon Community Foundation, Inclusive Business Resource Network, lending partners, Fund investors, Council for Economic and Racial Equity, local small businesses
Activate partnership network to notify businesses about fund opportunity

Grant Program:
Application Period: March 30th – April 1
Received 11,000 Applications
8,800 Met Initial Eligibility
Round 1 Grant Award Notifications: April 7
Will continue to seek additional resources to expand the fund

Loan roll-out:
Application Period: April 9th-12th
Sorted & Reviewed – April 13th-14th
Send to CDFIs – April 15th
Underwriting Starts – April 16th
Disbursements – April 22nd
Grant Program
Requirements
- \( \leq $2 \text{ million or less in annual gross revenue} \)

Loan Program
Requirements
- \( \leq $5 \text{ million or less in annual gross revenue} \)

Shared Requirements
- Business is public-facing and directly impacted by new public health requirements related to COVID-19 pandemic OR
- Business has experienced 25% or more decline in revenue since Feb 1, 2020
- Less than 50 employees
- Business is primary source of income for business owner(s)
- Operating in City of Portland as a business since July 1, 2019
## Fund at a Glance

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<td>Available Funds</td>
<td>$1.38M</td>
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<td>Max per business</td>
<td>$10,000</td>
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<td># of Businesses served</td>
<td>175+</td>
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Equity & Vulnerability Priorities

- Businesses owned by Black, Indigenous, Asian Pacific Islander and People of Color and/or women
- Businesses for whom resources will help them stay in business
- Businesses who continue to pay employees and/or provide healthcare and other insurance during COVID-19
## Small Business Relief Fund Grant Applications – Summary

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<th>SUBMISSIONS</th>
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<td>Grant Submissions: 11,041</td>
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<td>Meeting Initial Eligibility Criteria: 8,777</td>
<td>3 - 5 years: 1,940 (22.1%)</td>
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<td>6 - 10 years: 1,840 (21.0%)</td>
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<td>&gt; 10 years: 2,855 (32.5%)</td>
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<td>Sole Proprietors: 4,672 (53.2%)</td>
<td>YES: 6,704 (76.4%)</td>
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<td>Businesses w/2 or more employees: 4,105 (46.8%)</td>
<td>NO: 2,073 (23.6%)</td>
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<td>1 employee: 4,672 (53.2%)</td>
<td>POC: 3,014 (34.3%)</td>
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<td>2 - 5 employees: 2,689 (32.7%)</td>
<td>WOMAN-OWNED: 1,733 (19.7%)</td>
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<td>6 - 9 employees: 687 (7.8%)</td>
<td>NON-POC: 5,763 (65.7%)</td>
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<td>10 - 25 employees: 498 (5.7%)</td>
<td>WOMAN-OWNED: 3,617 (41.1%)</td>
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Small Business Relief Fund Grant Applications – Geographic Distribution
APPLICATION, SELECTION & DISBURSEMENT

Businesses submit applications online

Today

Qualified applications are prioritized using vetted criteria

Prosper Portland sends approved applicants to Network partners

Network partners disburse funds

Businesses report back on stability
Discussion & Questions

Please use the chat function or “raise your hand” for questions & comments.
Work Group Reports
Leading with a Racial Equity Lens

Addressing the Digital Divide

Reducing Commercial Evictions

Evaluating City Practices – Permitting & Construction

Evaluating City Practices – Supporting Local Businesses

Evaluating City Practices - Supporting Non-profits & the Arts
Leading with Racial Equity
Work Group Members

- Anthony Deloney, Self Enhancement Inc
- Benjamin Duncan, Multnomah County Office of Diversity & Equity
- Carmen Castro, Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce
- E.D. Mondaine, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
- James Parker, Oregon Native American Chamber
- Jan Mason, Philippine American Chamber of Commerce
- Juan Barraza, Portland State Center for Entrepreneurship
- Kenechi Onyeagusi, Professional Business Development Group
- Matthew Serres, Disability Rights Oregon
- Rana Uzzaman, Portland YouthBuilders & Prosper Portland Council for Economic & Racial Equity
- Robin Wang, Vibrant Future / Formerly Ascent Funding
- Victoria Lara, Lara Media Services
- Yuri Sernande, Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce

City Staff:
- Andrea Pastor, BPS – Bureau of Planning and Sustainability
- Claire Adamsick, Office of Commissioner Fritz
- Dr. Markisha Smith, OEHR – Office of Equity and Human Rights
- Derek Bradley, Office of Commissioner Hardesty
- Hannah Holloway, Office of Commissioner Chloe Eudaly
- Khanh Tran, Mayor's Office
- Mayra Arreola, Prosper Portland
Leading with a Racial Equity Lens

Take Aways

• Equity lens is both an expectation and a shared responsibility
• Equity needs to be grounded in the work, intentional and not an after-thought
• Need to recognize emotional labor

Next Steps

• Convene Leads and Co-Chairs to share lens
• Connect with Equity Workgroup members as needed to provide support and additional resources
• Ensure diverse voices and representation in all Work Groups
Leading with a Racial Equity Lens

Economic Impact and Intervention Task Force

Equity and Vulnerability Lens

- Addressing the digital divide
- Reducing Commercial Evictions
- Evaluating City Practices
Addressing the Digital Divide

Work Group Members

- Alan Hipólito, Verde/suma
- Adelle Pomoroy, Free Geek
- Brian McGuirk, Multnomah County Library
- Don Wolff, Portland Public Schools
- Alyshia Macaysa, SCPDX Equity Consulting Advisor
- Andres Lopez, Coalition of Communities of Color
- Andrew McGough or Representative, Worksystems, Inc.
- Cara Snow, Technology Association of Oregon
- Gabriela Rodriguez Beron, Technology Justice Advocate
- Jackie Murphy, NE STEAM Coalition
- J. Aronson, Worksystems, Inc.
- John Wasiutynski, Multnomah County
- Justen Harn, Open Signal
- Matthew Timberlake, Multnomah County Library
- Nandini Ranganathan, CETI
- Rick Turoczy, PIE

City Staff:

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- Elisabeth Perez, OCT
- Rebecca Gibbons, OCT Digital Inclusion Program Manager - DIN Coleader
- Kenya Williams, Community & Civic Life
- Jared Wiener, Prosper Portland / Tech Industry Lead
- Kevin Martin, BPS
- Mayra Arreola, Prosper Portland
- Judith Mowry, Office of Equity and Human Rights
Addressing the Digital Divide

Problem Statement
Digital Divide is exacerbated by COVID-19 emergency

Framework
Work is guided by Equity, Privacy, and Open Data

Activities/sub-teams
Communicate available resources
Engage Frontline Communities
Deliver Technology resources
Addressing the Digital Divide

Take aways

• Workgroup members already know many of the community needs
• Some resources are already available but without access people are unaware of what is available
• Secured initial ECC donation of 200 Chromebooks for distribution to Reynolds school dist/CBOs

Next Steps

• Finalize sub-team members (targeted outreach)
• Draft process for donation distribution and communication to CBOs (devices/connectivity/training/community support)
• Finalize plan and logistics for Chromebook donation
Reducing Commercial Evictions

Work Group Members

- Edy Martinez, NAYA
- Eric Cress, Urban Development Partners
- Jim Mark, Melvin Mark
- John Wasiutynski, Multnomah County
- Susan Steward, BOMA
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- Kate Fagerholm, Metro
- Kate Merrill, Central Eastside Industrial Council
- Kelly Ross, NAIOP Oregon
- Lyndsey Westgaard, Commercial Association of Brokers
- Matthew Tschabold, Portland Housing Bureau
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City Staff:
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Reducing Commercial Evictions

Takeaways

- Pressure needs be pushed up the "food-chain" to lenders via political leadership's ability to convene.
- Need for immediate technical assistance/education for small businesses and landlords
- Potential loans and tax abatement can be interesting – not clear where the gap is relevant to stimulus/SBA programs.

Next Steps

- Define a joint commercial property owner/small business ask and have Prosper and the Mayor's office convene a conversation with lenders
- Provide immediate technical assistance, particularly for small businesses, regarding moratorium and lease negotiations.
- Create an information campaign (series of webinars to promote information) – use industry peers and real estate attorneys
Evaluating City Practices – Permitting & Construction

Work Group Members

- **Willy Meyers**, Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council
- **Rana Uzzaman**, Portland YouthBuilders & Council for Economic & Racial Equity
- Emerald Bogue, Port of Portland
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Evaluating City Practices – Supporting Local Businesses

Work Group Members

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- Dan Klinkert, OTCT Community Association
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- Mitch Daugherty, Built Oregon
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Evaluating City Practices – Supporting Local Businesses

Takeaways: Keep local business in business

- Confidence building for small business/entrepreneurs: strong, loud, consistent city messaging
- Council policy: "buy local" P-Card requirement
- Fire Bureau food purchasing practices
- Inventory City spending on small business

Next Steps

- Meet week of 4/6 to refine and prioritize ideas/concepts
- Discuss operationalization and potential resource needs
Evaluating City Practices – Supporting Non-Profits & the Arts

Work Group Members

- Andrea Valderrama, Coalition of Communities of Color
- Brian Berry, OMSI
- Pastor Ed Williams, Mt. Olivet Church
- Helen Deltoso, RACC
- Jeff Curtis, Portland Rose Festival
- Jenny Stadler, PHAME PDC
- Madison Cario, RACC
- Miranda Mishan, NAYA
- Rosaline Hui, Portland Chinese Times
- Scott Kerman, Blanchet House
- Scott Showalter, Oregon Symphony

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- Karl Dinkelspiel, Prosper Portland
- Karl Lisle, Office of Management and Finance
- Sue Lewis, Prosper Portland
Evaluating City Practices – Permitting & Construction

**Takeaways: Keep work moving**

- Implement uniform COVID safety guidelines on all projects
- Create combined BDS/City communications plan
- Vastly accelerate permitting digitization

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Takeaways: Supporting the Community

- Balancing immediate needs with long-term fallout
- Advocacy: make community and impacts visible
- Both add and pool resources
- Improve access to resources and increase flexibility

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Discussion & Questions

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Discussion: Key Legislative Priorities

Elizabeth Edwards, Director
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