COVID-19 SPECIAL UPDATE 5.13.2020

**MICHIGAN**
- Daily Cases: 370
- Total Cases: 48,391
- Daily Deaths: 40
- Total Deaths: 4,714

**INDIANA**
- Daily Cases: 409
- Total Cases: 25,473
- Daily Deaths: 38
- Total Deaths: 1,482

**OHIO**
- Daily Cases: 436
- Total Cases: 24,245
- Daily Deaths: 44
- Total Deaths: 1,347

**ILLINOIS**
- Daily Cases: 1,677
- Total Cases: 84,698
- Daily Deaths: 191
- Total Deaths: 3,792

**WISCONSIN**
- Daily Cases: 291
- Total Cases: 10,902
- Daily Deaths: 3
- Total Deaths: 421

Statistics updated 05/13/2020
Governor Gretchen Whitmer issued one new Executive Order (hyperlinks below with recent EOs):
• **Executive Order 2020-82** - Extends a prior order temporarily lifting regulatory requirements in order to expedite bringing additional care facilities online as needed.

**MEDC Launches Economic Recovery Initiatives**

The MI Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) announced several new initiatives aimed to help support the state's economic recovery. The first is the [MI Local Biz Program](#), which allows small businesses to utilize donation-based crowdfunding through Michigan-based Patronicity's existing platform and receive a 1:1 matching grant from the MEDC. The second expands the [Match on Main Program](#), which provides grants to Select or Master level Michigan Main Street communities. Now all 286 Redevelopment Ready Communities are also eligible to participate. Last, the MEDC has launched the [Reopen Main Street](#) website to provide resources, strategies, and assets for downtowns and communities as they plan their re-opening following the crisis.

**MICHIGAN ARTICLES**

There are **seven factors** showing that Michigan is headed in the right direction. [Click here to read more.](#)

A lawsuit against **Governor Whitmer** has been filed, claiming that her state of emergency is unconstitutionally blocking health care services. [Click here to read more.](#)

Two-thirds of **state employees** will take furlough days through July in an effort to reduce costs as the state is facing a budget shortfall. [Click here to read more.](#)

The **MEDC** has partnered with Michigan Women Forward to announce a fund to help entrepreneurs and small businesses negatively impacted by the virus. [Click here to read more.](#)

**NATIONAL ARTICLES**

**Health experts and economic experts** are divided on how quickly the country should reopen. [Click here to read more.](#)
The **House** will vote on the Democratic caucuses proposal providing an additional $3 trillion this Friday. [Click here to read more.](#)

**Federal Chairman Jerome Powell** said Congress will likely need to do more to help the economy recover. [Click here to read more.](#)

The virus will not only impact how we live, but will also impact **where we live**. [Click here to read more.](#)

The pandemic could permanently change the role that **small businesses** play in the economy. [Click here to read more.](#)

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**Description and Links to Governor Whitmer’s Executive Orders Related to COVID-19:**

We are sharing executive orders with you as they are announced. A complete list with links to each of the Executive Orders is available here.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-82** - Extends a prior order temporarily lifting regulatory requirements in order to expedite bringing additional care facilities online as needed.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-81** - Extends provisions lifting state and local non-seasonal load restrictions through May 25.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-80** - Extends the timeframe that certain administrative hearings can be held by video conference through June 8.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-79** - Lifts certain requirements of the application process for young residents to obtain a work permit.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-78** - Temporarily extends the expiration of state identification cards, driver's licenses, and operator endorsements.

Additionally, the following website is a source for updated information from the administration: [https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus).

While these are very uncertain times, please know that the MLC Team is available to answer your questions. Additionally, we will provide regular updates as more information becomes available.

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