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CHAMBER WEEKLY E-NEWS

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Happy Mother's Day

Please join me in celebrating Mother's Day, a day that will be certainly different than we've ever seen before.

Please shop local this mother's day and check out our Facebook page @nbdcc as we regularly post retailers that are promoting gift baskets, flowers and specialty items, or charities that are doing fundraisers, and restaurants preparing to deliver special Mother's Day Brunches and Dinners.

As you can see, there are still some great ways to celebrate your mother, even if you can't be there in person.

Stay well and stay safe. Happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful mothers out there.

Patti Carr, VP of Policy and Communications

BUSINESS RESOURCES:

In partnership with the Government of Canada, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce has posted a microsite of all the resources and information that businesses require during this COVID-19 pandemic. The information is updated regularly. Click on the Canadian Business Resilience Network or the image above for more information.

The Federal Government opened the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) claims this week and a number of businesses have already registered. If you are unsure if you qualify, please click on the link above and/or check with your accountant or bookkeeper. The subsidy is 75% of wages up to $847 per week - for employers of all sizes and across all sectors who have suffered a drop in gross revenues of at least 15% in March, and 30% in April and May. The program will be in place for a 12-week period, from March 15 to June 6, 2020.

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205 Main Street East, North Bay, ON P1B 1B2 P: 705.472.8480 F: 705.472.8027

COVID-19
Emergency Small Business Loan

Maximum $25,000

NECO
Community Futures Development Corporation

Supporting you in difficult times.

Business Services • Access to Capital
Strategic Community Planning • Support for Community Based Projects

Let's Talk About Your *Future.*
Toll Free 1-888-476-8822 or 705-476-8822 or visit www.neco.on.ca

The survey results are in….

The recent CANADA SURVEY ON BUSINESS: Impact of COVID-19 on Businesses in Canada that was issued in partnership with the Canadian Chamber of Commerce and Statistics Canada recently had over 13,000 responses.

The news release from the Canadian Chamber of Commerce can be found HERE; and the survey results HERE.

NEED TO MIX IT UP?

GOOD CALL 1-800-315-COOP

COOPER EQUIPMENT RENTALS

Business Hub

205 Main Street East, North Bay, ON
is closed temporarily
To reach any of the following offices, please email:

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Meet Federal Minister Joly

Join the Northern Ontario Chambers of Commerce for a Virtual Meet the Minister with the Hon. Melanie Joly. As Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages, her mandate includes promoting regional economic development and protecting our two official languages.

This pan-northern event will provide the members of 26 Northern Chamber with an opportunity to engage with the Minister directly.

Capacity is limited so be sure to register via the link below:

*When: **May 8, 2020 09:15 AM** Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

Topic: Meet the Minister with the Hon. Mélanie Joly

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hGqXSyi3Sv2E4bVMapoA-Q

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email (from the Greater Sudbury Chamber) containing information about joining the webinar.

THERE ARE WAYS TO SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESS

SHOP FOR OTHERS

If you are well, offer to pick up items for friends and family. If you are unwell, stay home and self-isolate and ask others to pick up items for you.

BUY GIFT CARDS OR GIFT CERTIFICATES

to be used at a future date!

ORDER TAKE-OUT

Call first to order and then Pick or order and have it delivered!

CURBSIDE PICK UP

If it is something essential that you need, call the store first and see if you can pick up curbside.

PHONE, EMAIL, ORDER ONLINE

Businesses that still operate from home, can take your calls, answer emails or even take orders online.

Always remain safe and cautious.
Wash your hands regularly!

Proud supporters of carry-out and/or delivery during self isolation.

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CHECKLIST

In the event that your business needs to close down temporarily

- Keep the lights on
- Remove ALL cash and receipts
- Do not leave any valuables clearly visible or accessible
- All safes and tills should be emptied and moved off-site for safe storage
- Keep all cash drawers open to show that nothing is in the drawers
- All ATM's should be emptied and moved off-site for safe storage
- All alcohol products removed from bar areas should be put in secured storage areas (no alcohol left visible from outside)
- Consider posting "NO CASH or Valuables on Premises" signage
- Deactivate all scheduled FOB door openings (ie. cleaners, deliveries, etc)
- For kitchen areas, disconnect all kitchen gas lines from their gas source
- Make **regular site visits to monitor your shop/business** and to manage inventory and storage conditions (consider scattering the times this is done to not establish a pattern)

Added a few more ideas today:

- Renewing Insurance? Change to monthly payments rather than paying once a year.
- Check your mailboxes often or have the post office hold your mail
- Shut off water (only if appropriate to do so and it doesn't affect other tenants in the building)
- If absolutely necessary, check with your bank about deferring mortgage payments
- Check with your municipality to see if you can defer tax payments

We provide regular updates on Facebook and Chamber Website - be informed and stay safe!