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Through May 31, no evictions of small biz, nonprofits, Ducey says

Late **Monday**, Arizona Gov. **Doug Ducey** issued an executive order halting **evictions** of **small businesses** and **nonprofits** that are unable to pay rent due to financial hardship caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The order also encourages commercial landlords to **defer** rent payments for small business tenants facing economic hardship, and to consider **waiving** all fees and interest associated with late payments.

Under the order, evictions will be halted until **May 31, 2020**.

“Arizona is grateful to the many landlords who are already working as good partners with small businesses during these challenging times,” the governor said. “This order helps ensure no small business or nonprofit will face eviction due to COVID-19 and that landlords and small businesses work in **partnership** to make sure we get through this emergency together.

“There’s more work to do to ensure Arizona’s small businesses can **make it** through this public health emergency. As we continue to prioritize public health, we will continue to do everything in our power to support those in our small business and nonprofit communities serving us.”

The order **does not relieve commercial tenants from their obligation to pay rent**; it does encourage tenants and landlords to **strategize rent repayments**, according to Chamber member attorney **Mike Boreale of Boreale Law**.

If a tenant receives any temporary virus-related aid from government, **some of that assistance must be applied toward past-due rent**, the governor said.

In addition, on **March 30**, Gov. Ducey announced a **cooperative agreement** with the state’s banks to **protect** small businesses and families from eviction and foreclosure. Banks also committed to **expediting** the application and approval of small business loans as part of the \$349 billion Paycheck Protection Program signed into law **March 27**.

The **Arizona Commerce Authority** has gathered resources to support businesses and employees as they help combat the spread of COVID-19. Businesses impacted by COVID-19 can access information on programs including loans to maintain payroll and disaster assistance loans through the

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More than **950** non-profits across Arizona – including many within your **Chamber's** membership – ask you to make **donations** to support their missions, from education to social services, museums to animal rescues, school foundations to rescue missions.

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“Arizona Gives serves to **inspire** people to give generously to non-profits, making our state **stronger** and creating a thriving community for all,” a release said.

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Chamber webinar with SBDC, TOV is at 1 Tuesday

Slots remain for a **1 p.m.** Tuesday, April 7 webinar with **Ellen Kirton**, director of the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) within Chamber Copper member **Pima Community College**, and **Margie Adler**, economic development specialist for the Town of Oro Valley and COVID-19 business ombudsman.

[Click here](#) to join the Zoom meeting! Or email Kristen@orovalleychamber.com for the meeting ID and password.

Our guests will talk about the **Payroll Protection Program**, emergency relief from the coronavirus pandemic, and other subjects related to this unprecedented event. We'll have an **hour**; if we don't get your questions answered, we'll follow up with you.

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