



# CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

If you are business or non-profit entity, let your representatives know you support more relief funding for small businesses.

## EXAMPLE TALKING POINTS FOR YOUR PERSONALIZED LETTER

- There are 30.2 million small businesses in the U.S. and mine is one of them.
- My business/entity is one 99.9% of the US businesses considered “small.”
- Small businesses are considered the backbone of the American economy.
- As a small business, I help employ more than 47.5% of the private workforce in the U.S.
- Small business owners are fighting to keep their workers employed and their dreams alive.
- I contribute to my community’s economy and am central to the economic welfare of my family.
- Amid the pandemic, too many small businesses already have shuttered, and many more are on the brink of permanent closure.
- A few of the reasons why additional funding is needed for economic relief to small businesses dealing with the impacts of the coronavirus is because:
  - The initial amount of \$349 billion allocated wasn’t nearly enough to meet the needs of America’s small businesses.
  - 82% of businesses that fail do so because of cash flow problems.
  - 50% of all small businesses are operated from home.
  - 64% of small business owners begin with only \$10,000 in capital.
- According to U.S. Chamber of Commerce Executive Vice President and Chief Policy Officer Neil Bradley, *“Today’s tragic and staggering unemployment figures underscore the dire need for bridge funding to keep more Americans on the job and more businesses afloat during the coronavirus economic crisis. There is absolutely no excuse for failing to get these funds approved immediately. American small businesses, self-employed workers, and independent contractors need and expect the type of bipartisan cooperation that led to the CARES Act to solve this immediate crisis.”*
- The U.S. Chamber of Commerce sent letters to Congress on April 7 and April 10 urging action on shoring up CARES Act funding programs.

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