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Date: Mon, 29 Jun 2020 14:53:25 -0400 Congressman Van Taylor Home | About | Services | Issues | Newsroom | Contact Monday, June 29, 2020 Additional Resources for Workers Unemployment Resources & Where Texas Reopening Stands

Over the last week, we've seen several updates concerning Texas' response to COVID-19. Last Thursday, Governor Abbott declared a temporary pause of additional reopening phases as our state experiences an increase in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations. While we must remain vigilant and take precautionary measures to protect ourselves and our community, like wearing a mask and practicing social distancing, it's important to note Collin County has the testing capabilities and resources to combat coronavirus. For example, as of today, only 5.25% of our hospital beds are being utilized - meaning our hospitals have the resources and staff to safely help any patients. More information on Collin County preparedness and testing can be found on the Collin County Coronavirus Online Tracker. You can use the COVID-19 Self Checker Tool to help determine if you should be tested for COVID-19, and you can find a nearby testing location here. For those whose employment or income have been impacted by the pandemic and are currently collecting unemployment benefits, please be aware of changes from the Texas Workforce Commission. Previously, work search requirements for those collecting unemployment benefits were waived by Governor Abbott. However, starting July 6, 2020, these work search requirements will be reinstated. This means, individuals receiving unemployment benefits from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) must make an active effort to obtain new employment to continue benefits. More information on work search requirements, including a list of acceptable work search activities can be found here. For those looking for employment, I encourage you to visit the Texas Workforce Commission website which currently has more than 500,000 available jobs posted. On this system, job seekers can browse job postings, find education and training, and complete resumes and state applications. Additionally, Workforce Solutions for North Central Texas is hosting regularly-scheduled virtual workshops for job seekers on topics like resume writing and job interview skills. A full listing of upcoming virtual events for job seekers can be found here. Their website also includes information on subsidized child care options for low-income families and how to select a child care provider. That information and more can be found here. If you have any questions about coronavirus resources, please know I am here to help. I encourage you to visit my website where I continue to provide up-to-date information and resources. You may also sign up to continue receiving information on the financial resources that may be available as a result of the coronavirus. In the meantime, don't hesitate to contact my office with any questions or concerns you may have. Semper Fidelis, Van Taylor Member of Congress WASHINGTON, DC OFFICE 1404 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515 Phone: (202) 225-4201 COLLIN COUNTY OFFICE 5600 Tennyson Pkwy, #275 Plano, TX 75024 Phone: (972) 202-4150 NOTE: To contact my office please click here. Unsubscribe | View Online d Click Here to view this email in your browser Click Here to be removed from this list