

Stay Home, Stay Safe Essential Businesses

Gov. Jay Inslee issued an executive order last night directing all residents to stay home unless they need to pursue an essential activity.

The "[Stay Home, Stay Safe](#)" order, which is similar to orders in other states, will ban all gatherings for social, spiritual and recreational purposes, and **close all businesses except those deemed essential** unless employees can work from home.

Major categories include:

- Health care/public health
- Emergency Services
- Food and Agriculture
- Energy
- Water and Wastewater
- Transportation and Logistics
- Communications and Information Technology
- Other Community-Based Government Operations and Essential Functions including: Grocery, Pharmacy, Hardware, Gas, Mechanic, Tire, City Hall, County, Port,
- Critical Manufacturing
- Hazardous Materials
- Financial Services
- Chemical

All of the above must practice social distancing.

Any Businesses impacted financially by this order should visit the SEWEDA web page at <https://seweda.org/coronavirus/> and complete the Business Survey. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Dawn Smith 509-751-9144 or Cell 509-552-9412 dawn@seweda.org or Jack Peasley 509-566-7079 garfield@seweda.org. Department of Commerce funds will soon be available for those that qualify.