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Frederick County Agency Updates for April 1, 2020

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City of Frederick:

The City of Frederick is committed to providing uninterrupted essential services to our residents and are making strategic decisions on how best to deliver other services long term. The City of Frederick will be enacting a modified delivery of City services, department access, and processing deadlines. For the most up-to-date information on City services, guidance, and efforts, please visit cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19. Any questions can be directed to covid19@cityoffrederickmd.gov.

Frederick County Public Libraries:

Frederick County Public Libraries (FCPL) have gone digital to help all county residents continue to foster a love of reading and learning during this time at home. They have a weekly lineup of virtual programming for children, families, and adults that can be viewed on their Facebook channel at @FredCoLibrary. They also have a wide variety of digital, downloadable, and streamable content including 446,198 ebooks, 128,781 audiobooks, 39,930 tv shows and movies, 13 million songs, and 195 magazines. If you don't already have a library card, you can instantly sign up for a temporary card online at fcpl.org.

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TransIT:

In an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19, please use TransIT for essential travel only. Essential travel means taking trips to work, hospitals, health care/pharmacies, grocery stores/food, banks, to provide care for family members, and other similar destinations. By reducing unnecessary travel, TransIT becomes safer for those who depend on it, especially essential healthcare workers, and for those who operate it.

Workforce Services

Frederick County Workforce Services is now offering free mock phone interview sessions to help job candidates prepare for upcoming phone interviews with prospective employers. An experienced workforce development professional will facilitate a mock interview by phone and provide constructive feedback on responses given. Use this link to sign up for a practice phone interview.

The online application deadline for the Youth WORKS! Summer Jobs Program has been extended to May 1, 2020. For more information about this program, visit www.FrederickWORKS.com/summer.

The Maryland Department of Labor has announced an updated process for filing Unemployment Insurance benefit claims, effective on Wednesday, April 1: https://www.dllr.state.md.us/employment/unemployment.shtml

To obtain the latest information and resources for job seekers and businesses in Frederick County, visit www.FrederickWORKS.com.

For more information:

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19.

Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- Frederick County Government: www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus
- Frederick County Health Department: health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): coronavirus.maryland.gov
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): coronavirus.gov

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