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# **COVID-19 Update**

Dear Board Members & Partners.

We hope that you and your family, friends, employees and coworkers are remaining healthy and safe. As we're adjusting to the #saferathome order, we wanted to give you an update on our status, progress and plans.

The WDBSCW team is healthy and supporting social distancing by working at home while the WDBSCW office is closed to the public.

We made some changes to our websites to offer access to virtual engagements, resources, collaborative efforts and information on services available through the Job Centers and community partners.

We're continuing to find innovative strategies to support workforce development during these unique times, including virtual Rapid Response sessions. While these worker furloughs and layoffs are devastating, the community engagement and collaboration is humbling and inspiring.

Stay safe, stay strong and stay involved.

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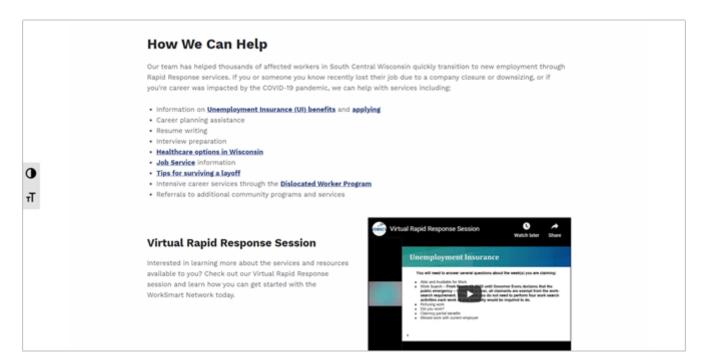
# **Website Updates**

We created a COVID-19 page to share updates on services, resources and events for businesses and job seekers. We're updating the page each day with the latest information and new resources. You can visit the page at:

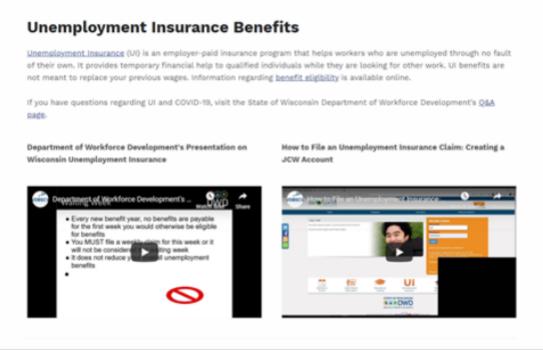
### www.wdbscw.org/covid19

We also updated our pages for workers dislocated due to companies closing or feeling the effects of COVID-19. This page has information on Unemployment Insurance changes, resources from community organizations, in-demand jobs that are hiring now, and more to help them during the pandemic but also transition to new employment after COVID-10.

#### www.wdbscw.org/workers/laid-off-workers



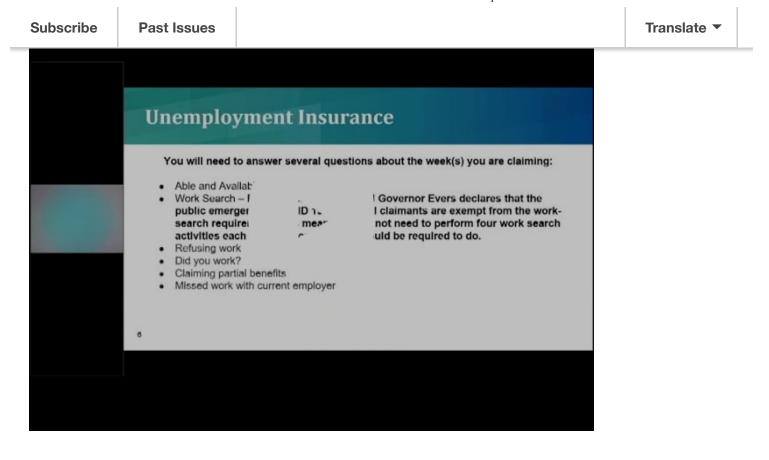
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# Virtual Rapid Response Session

We created a virtual Rapid Response session to quickly assist workers affected by the layoffs and closures during COVID-19.

Julie Enloe, One Stop Operator, Joan Tompsett with Job Service and Ann McNeary with United Way share information regarding Unemployment Insurance, Wisconsin 211, Rapid Response and Job Center of Wisconsin.



## **American Job Centers Closed**

The South Central Wisconsin Job Centers (Dane County Job Center, Sauk County Job Center and Workforce Development Center of Jefferson County) are **closed to the public**.

Job seekers can still access jobcenterofwisconsin.com to update resumes, search for jobs, create a budget, review labor market information and more. Job seekers can also visit <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/jobs.2016/jobs-20

For further career assistance, an appointment can be made via phone. Visit <u>DWD's website</u> for a list of local contacts.

# Stay safe and healthy!

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