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CAREERFORCE CHASKA REMAINS AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT RESIDENTS

CHASKA, MINNESOTA—Despite the suspension of Carver County services and the Government Center’s lack of availability to the public, CareerForce in Chaska staff remain available to support County and area residents during this uncertain time.

You can access CareerForce in Chaska staff and related services during the pandemic by calling (952) 361-1711 or via email at workforcecenter@co.carver.mn.us. An employment counselor can connect with area residents to assist in employment opportunities and serve as a resource to businesses.

“While we are seeing high application numbers for unemployment insurance, we continue to receive information about multiple job openings in health care, medical equipment manufacturing, warehouse and delivery sectors,” Carver County Commissioner Randy Maluchnik said. “Our goal is to help and connect residents to the jobs and offer resources to businesses. First we need to focus on the health and wellness of our community, but we also need to support economic development and workforce needs.”

If you currently work with an employment counselor, please reach out to them by phone or email for job search assistance or access to resources. If you need support from an employment counselor, call or email to connect you with an Employment Counselor. Employment Counselors can help you access multiple resources that can keep you and your family safe during this pandemic through the County’s Health and Human Services division.

Our team knows that businesses feel the impact of this pandemic. CareerForce Chaska assigned a dedicated staff member to support to County businesses. “Our businesses serve as the key to our economic recovery,” Maluchnik said. “No matter your business’s size, our CareerForce staff can help address your needs and connect you with resources and agencies, such as Carver County Community Development Agency, the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, and local chambers of commerce.”

CareerForce Chaska Remains Available to Residents During Stay at Home Declaration

CareerForce Resources during COVID-19:

- [CareerForce in Chaska](#) can help with all job-related questions.
 - Contact Information: [\(952\) 361-1711](tel:952-361-1711) | careerforce.chaska@state.mn.us
- **Families First Coronavirus Response Act:** The [Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#) requires certain employers to provide their employees with paid sick leave and expanded family and medical leave for specified reasons related to COVID-19.
- **MN Department of Economic Development:** The [Shared Work Program](#) offers an alternative to layoffs for employers facing a temporary downturn in business.
- **Unemployment Insurance:** The [Unemployment Insurance Program](#) is ready to assist workers who can't work, workers who have had their hours reduced, and workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- [Workers Protections Related to COVID-19](#) summarizes employee protections and employer's legal obligations.

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