



## Update from the Governor's Office - COVID-19

This afternoon, Governor Ducey announced that Arizona continues to monitor COVID-19 with regard to the [White House's Guidelines for Opening America](#) based on the "Proposed State or Regional Gating Criteria."

Since Governor Ducey issued the "[Pausing of Arizona's Reopening – Slowing the Spread of COVID-19](#)" Executive Order, Arizona has seen some flattening. Over the last several weeks, Arizona has seen a dramatic decrease in the number of COVID-19 cases. Governor Ducey said, "Over the last week, our percent positivity rate decreased from 8% to 6%."

The trends remain positive as Arizona's R-naught is 0.84, which is tied for second lowest in the nation. Governor Ducey said, "This is all good news. This is all good data. It's all good reason for people to be optimistic about the future, but at the same time we want to remain cautious and keep doing what's working."

Furthermore, Governor Ducey announced a partnership with Local First Arizona to make small business grants available, beginning TODAY. Businesses can find more information at [localfirstaz.com/azsmallbizrent](http://localfirstaz.com/azsmallbizrent).

Also, Arizona has partnered with the Trump Administration FEMA to extend unemployment benefits.

Governor Ducey said, "Arizona is seeing significant progress because of the action that Arizonans are taking...I urge everyone to stay the course, stay physically distanced, stay smart and healthy and continue to mask up."

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