



**UMB** Community  
Engagement Center

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## The CEC doors **CLOSED** to public, open for assistance via email and telephone

Dear Neighbors & Partners:

In an effort to comply with Governor Hogan's recent announcement that non-essential businesses should close today at 5:00 pm the CEC will be closed for walk-in services, including our computer lab. However, the CEC staff are working normal hours and are available via phone at (410) 706-8260 and email [UMBEngage@gmail.com](mailto:UMBEngage@gmail.com). We will be keeping our neighbors up to date with any new information we have to share regarding our hours of operation, COVID-19 updates, and available free resources by way of Facebook, Instagram, as well as posting any critical updates to the front door of our building. It is best to stay inside except for trips to the pharmacy and grocery store to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. We all must do our part to keep ourselves, family, friends, and neighbors safe.

We encourage you to take personal actions to reduce risks to yourself. The following link from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/protect/index.html>) provides information on steps to stay safe.

Thank you,  
Tyrone Roper, MSW  
Director, Community Engagement Center

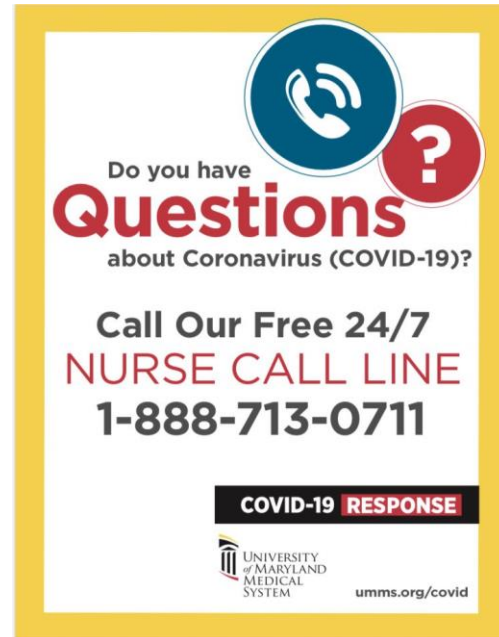
# Emergency Community Resources

Do you need help with food, unemployment, healthcare, childcare, mental/physical health, housing/utilities or social services? **The UMB Community Engagement Center is available to connect you to resources.**

Please call us at 410-706-8260 or email [UMBEngage@gmail.com](mailto:UMBEngage@gmail.com).

Follow our [facebook page](#) for resource updates.

Remember neighbors can call 2-1-1 for non-emergency coronavirus related issues.



## For Seniors

- Seniors who participate in Eating Together in Baltimore may call Maryland Access Point at 410-396-2273 to **schedule meal deliveries**.
- All seniors may apply to receive **free daily call checks** [by clicking here](#).
- **Special shopping hours** for seniors and vulnerable shoppers:
  - **Giant:** Every day from 6:00 AM to 7:00 AM.
  - **Safeway:** Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM.
  - **Whole Foods Market:** Wednesdays from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM.
  - **Martin's:** Every day from 6:00 AM to 7:00 AM.
  - **Dollar General:** Every day for the first hour each store is open.

## For Students

- See below for **free breakfast and lunches** for students.
- School-age children can pick up a midday snack and prepared dinners at 40 rec centers across the city. See a list of all participating rec centers: <https://bcrp.baltimorecity.gov/bcrp-alerts-0>.
- Download **online learning packets**: <https://www.baltimorecityschools.org/learning-packets>.
- Call the city school district's COVID hotline with any school-related questions at 443-984-2000.

- Access **Xfinity WiFi hotspots for free** – including non-Xfinity Internet subscribers. For a map of Xfinity WiFi hotspots, visit [xfinity.com/wifi](https://xfinity.com/wifi).

## For Businesses/Organizations

- Small businesses and private non-profit organizations can apply directly to the Small Business Administration for **financial assistance** by clicking [here](#).
- The Baltimore Development Corporation is collecting information on impacted Baltimore City businesses and non-profits due to COVID-19 to provide to state and federal resource partners. Click [here](#) to complete the survey.
- The Baltimore Community ToolBank is loaning equipment, including materials to help distribute food and supplies, free for the duration of this crisis. Learn more at <https://www.baltimoretoolbank.org/>.

## Free Breakfast & Lunch for Students

**Free Breakfast & Lunch on Weekdays at City Schools and Rec Centers:**  
[Click here for City Schools COVID-19 Hotline and a list of free meal sites.](#)

**Free Lunch on Weekends at the Following Locations:**

# FREE LUNCH

for Baltimore City  
Public School Students  
Grades K-5



**SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS:**  
**March 21 - April 12, 2020**

**LOCATIONS:**

**George Washington ES**  
800 Scott Street  
10 am - 12:30 pm

**Robert Coleman ES**  
1807 Harlem Avenue  
11 am - 1:30 pm

**Fredrick Douglass HS**  
2301 Gwynns Falls Pkwy  
11:30 am - 2 pm

**Samuel Coleridge Taylor ES**  
507 W. Preston Street  
10 am - 1 pm

**Edmondson Village Shopping Center**  
4532 Edmondson Avenue  
12 pm - 2:30 pm

**FOOD WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ON A FIRST  
COME-FIRST SERVED BASIS UNTIL GONE!**



**Take Precautions**

## PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS from the coronavirus (COVID-19)

- **Wash** your hands frequently with soap and water or alcohol-based rub
- Maintain social **distancing** (minimum 6 feet)
- Avoid **touching** eyes, nose and mouth
- Practice respiratory **hygiene**
- If you have **fever, cough** and **difficulty breathing**, seek medical care early
- **Stay informed**, follow advice from your healthcare provider



## Workforce Wednesdays Are Now Virtual

Although the CEC is temporarily closed, we are still having Workforce Wednesdays online on our Facebook page every Wednesday!  
[Click here to go to the Facebook page.](#)

For questions regarding Workforce development please contact:

Lisa Rawlings, MBA  
Director, Job Readiness & Workforce Initiatives  
443-622-9014 (mobile)

## We Are Hiring!

### **Program Manager (Associate Director of Operations)**

The University of Maryland Baltimore, Office of Community Engagement is currently recruiting for a Program Manager (Associate Director, Operations). The Program Manager provides direction, leadership, and oversight to the UMB Community Engagement Center's educational, recreational, athletic, and community health and fitness programs. Facilitates the development of new program partnerships and ensures that the Center's mission, core values, and goals are incorporated into all activities and services. [Click here for more information or to apply](#)

## Making cards for Healthcare workers at UMMC



## Want to Help Health Care Workers on the Front Lines Without Leaving the House?

Have your kids (or you!) create thank-you cards for our nurses, doctors, nurse's aides, techs, cafeteria workers, therapists, and everyone else working every day to keep the University of Maryland Medical Center (UMMC) running and to help save lives during the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis.

They are the true heroes who are worried about not having protective gear to wear, not having enough blood for people who need it, and leaving their families at home while they head into work.

**Let's show them some love!**



To help prevent the spread of germs into the hospital, email a picture of your card to [cards@umaryland.edu](mailto:cards@umaryland.edu) and we will compile the photos into a thank-you video for UMMC staff.

So create the card, snap a photo, and send it to us right from your phone. Easy! Thanks for your support, and stay healthy!

*I, the authorized guardian, hereby give my permission to the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) to reproduce and use Minor's picture in connection with [Cards UMB]. This submission releases all rights to the photos of Minor in connection with UMB.*



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## Maryland Health Connection

# Get health coverage when you file your taxes!

This tax season, Marylanders have a special opportunity to sign up for health coverage.



Check the box on your tax form to check out your health coverage options.



You will get a letter from Maryland Health Benefit Exchange explaining your options for free or low-cost health coverage.



From the date of the letter, you will have 35 days to enroll.

[MarylandHealthConnection.gov/easyenrollment](http://MarylandHealthConnection.gov/easyenrollment)  
1-855-642-8572



**\*The Federal Income Tax filing deadline and Maryland State Income Tax filing deadline have been extended to July 15th, 2020.**

## Summer Job Opportunities For Youth Ages 14-21

Baltimore City Youth Works is hiring youth ages 14-21 for jobs this summer. If you will be 14 years old by June 26th, are a Baltimore Resident, and are available to work 20-25 hr/week from June 29th-July 31st, you can apply at <http://youthworks.oedworks.com/>



We highly encourage applying to the UMB Community Engagement Center's Ruth Kirk Fellowship Program. Youth Works students can work on community projects at Pop! Farm and the C.E.C. and will get paid \$11.00 per hour. Ruth Kirk Fellows will be exposed to skills and enrichment activities far above those required by the Youthworks program. Fellows have the opportunity to work close to home and positively impact their community. The program will operate from June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 31st.

## Financial Assistance for Youth Sports Programs



The Southwest Sports and Fitness Alliance offers financial assistance for youth to attend year-round sports programs and summer sports camps. Programs include: UMBC Basketball and Soccer camps, 10:12 Sports, College and University Sports Camps, and others. Full scholarships are available in partnership with *Focus For A Future* for summer sleep away camps for youth meeting certain income and other criteria. For more information, contact [sportsfitnessalliance@gmail.com](mailto:sportsfitnessalliance@gmail.com) or Ivan Leshinsky at 443-386-0651

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**Our mailing address is:**  
1 N. Poppleton Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201

**Our street address is:**  
870 W. Baltimore Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201  
*Come see us.*

*Donate to our exercise and children's programs [online](#).  
Thank you for your contributions and ongoing support.  
We can't do this work with our neighbors without community partners like you.*



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