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**The City of Rock Island Needs Responses by
Businesses and Organizations Impacted by COVID-19**

The Development Association of Rock Island (DARI) and the City of Rock Island are working together to create a central resource for Rock Island businesses and organizations directly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Businesses and organizations that have a 61201 zip code are urged to spend five minutes to complete an online needs assessment at <http://rockislandforward.com/covid-19/> as soon as possible. This form is to assist DARI and the City of Rock Island in gathering data. The goal is to streamline the process for financial resources when they become available.

Businesses are asked to provide specific details on exactly how COVID-19 is directly affecting their business in terms of financial hardship or loss of income. They are encouraged to specifically track daily losses and keep accurate records with receipts as back up for future reference.

Mayor Mike Thoms says, "We need our business community's help in building a database of necessity amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. We want to collect as much information as possible to fully understand the impact on our local businesses. Our goal is to streamline the process for resources when they become available. We are working as a united front with DARI and all of our local and regional partners to try and assist the best we can."

Note: This is a fluid effort and will be updated regularly as more data is gathered and businesses provide their responses.