MetroHartford Alliance UPDATE - CRCOG Policy Board - March 25, 2020

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MetroHartford Alliance enacted work-from-home March 17, 2020. The team meets regularly through Microsoft Teams and the entire team is working to compile vital resources to support local businesses and your communities.

We have:

- created a new website www.PreparedHartford.com to house resources (regularly updated)
- hosted Web-conferences recordings are posted on the website

recent recordings:

- Business and Unemployment Resources Web-conference (March 24)
- Economic Injury Disaster Loans: Sharing Best Practices (March 20)
- COVID-19 Business Response Webinar (March 16)
- o Coronavirus Special Topic Conference Call Series (weekly series T, W, Th)
- hosted Senator Blumenthal for a Press Conference (March 16)
 - Part A: https://youtu.be/wcHIRXghyL8
 - Part B: https://youtu.be/mJ1xdY1U3gc
 - Part C: https://youtu.be/VZd4y9OjNl4
 - Part D: https://youtu.be/H5X9SEpJrCc
- created a FAQ section that appears in the Daily Brief
- created a NEW virtual newsletter "The HARTbeats On" published every Tuesday @ 11:00 am this is to enhance what we're already doing with the Daily Brief
- we receive daily updates outlining Federal, Northeast regional, and State news for all available funding resources to support local businesses in need

The Hartford Chamber of Commerce has added:

- Employment opportunities: https://www.preparedhartford.com/employees
- Created a Restaurant resource guide for local establishments. We are seeing this type of activity in most communities and shared Facebook groups

Stay Safe. Stay Well. Stay Strong

Useful Links:

CT SBDC
Women's Business Center
DECD/Coronavirus-for-Businesses