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REGIONAL WIFI MAP

With many students in our region going virtual for school, we've put together a regional map of free and public WiFi locations. This map will show you where you can go to access internet for virtual classes or online assignments if you don't have internet access at home. Click HERE to view the map. If you are aware of any additional locations, please send to James Cunningham at jcunningham@kerrtarcog.org.

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REGIONAL NEWS

The Kerr-Tar Council of Governments was able to secure funding for a new Economic Disaster Recovery Coordinator position. This individual in this position is responsible for assessing each county's recovery needs and working to see how the COG can help mitigate the impact of another pandemic going forward. The COG plans to publish monthly newsletters highlighting some of the projects that are currently being taken on, as well as new grant opportunities.

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ECONOMIC MODELING SOFTWARE

Kerr-Tar COG has acquired economic modeling software from EMSI, which will allow the COG to run economic reports for its members. If you would like additional information, please contact James Cunningham at jcunningham@kerrtarcog.org.

EDC DIRECTORS MEETING

After meeting with each county's EDC Director, we have a better idea of what each county needs and how the COG can help. One common issue among the counties was access to grant funding for infrastructure improvement projects. We plan to work with the EDC Directors to distribute grant information so that everyone who is eligible has the opportunity to apply. Thank you to the EDC Directors for their hospitality and input.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Council of Governments has been providing area development webinars for free. This opportunity is provided to EDC Directors and members of their staff. If you would like more information on upcoming webinars, please contact James Cunningham at jcunningham@kerrtarcog.org.

COVID-19 RECOVERY GRANTS

There are a number of grants available for local communities to assist in recovering from the economic effects from COVID-19. Listed below are a few of the grant opportunities available.

- North Carolina Department of Commerce
- US Small Business Administration
- US Economic Development Administration

EDA CARES Act Charge: Helping communities prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

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