

# **CORONA VIRUS (COVID-19) RESOURCES**

## **UNEMPLOYMENT: SPRINGFIELD 417-895-6851    Monday – Friday from 8:00 AM – 5:00**

If you recently lost your job through no fault of your own, are unable to work due to a natural disaster or quit for good cause related to the work or the employer, you may be eligible to receive unemployment benefits. Eligible claimants may receive up to 20 weeks of unemployment insurance benefits through the state.

## **211.ORG**

Virtual Service that connects millions of people to help every year. To get expert caring help please call 211 today or go online and search by your zip code for a detailed list of resources.

## **FAMILIES FIRST CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE ACT**

The final version of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act was signed into law on March 18 and goes into effect on April 2, 2020. The law focuses on paid sick leave and expanded FMLA provisions, including:

- **Emergency paid sick leave:** Full-time employees of employers with fewer than 500 employees that are unable to work due to COVID-19 are eligible for 80 hours of emergency paid sick leave. Part-time employees are eligible to receive the equivalent of the number of hours they would work, on average, during a two-week period.
- **Expanded FMLA:** The law expands the FMLA definition of employer to all employers with fewer than 500 employees, and expands the definition of a covered employee to include all employees who have worked for covered employers for at least 30 days. This means more employees will be eligible for up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave.

## **SENIOR AGE AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

Senior centers serve as a gateway to the nation's aging network—connecting older adults to vital community services that can help them stay healthy and independent. Senior centers are designated focal points for delivery of OAA services—allowing older adults to access multiple services in one place. SeniorAge offers services through 36 senior centers covering 17 counties in southwest Missouri. Our senior centers offer a wide variety of programs and services, including meal and nutrition programs; information and assistance; health, fitness, and wellness programs; access to transportation services; public benefits counseling; volunteer and civic engagement opportunities; social and recreational activities; educational and arts programs and much more.

## **CANCER CARE**

We are here to support the cancer community not just emotionally, but financially through these uncertain times. CancerCare will provide financial assistance for cancer patients affected by COVID-19. CancerCare, the leading national nonprofit organization providing free, professional support services to anyone affected by cancer, has launched a fund for cancer patients in active treatment affected by COVID-19, also known as the Coronavirus.

Types of care covered by the grant include:

- Food
- Medications
- General Household Living Expenses
- Transportation
- Homecare
- Childcare

## **CANCER ACTION**

816-350-8882    [www.canceractionkc.org](http://www.canceractionkc.org)

Offers programs and services addressing the physical, emotional, social and financial needs of people living with cancer in the Kansas City area. All services are free of charge and provided by professionals and volunteers. This organization also provides education on prevention and early detection.

## **UNITED CANCER ASSISTANCE NETWORK**

573-776-1892    e-mail: [info@ucanpb.com](mailto:info@ucanpb.com)    [www.ucanpb.com](http://www.ucanpb.com)

UCAN may be able to provide support in paying utility bills, grocery expenses or buying necessary household items for families in southeast Missouri.

## **FIFTH SEASON FINANCIAL**

[www.fifthseasonfinancial.com](http://www.fifthseasonfinancial.com)    (866) 459-1271

Fifth Season Financial offer the Funds for Living and Giving (FLAG) Program, a financial assistance resource that helps relieve the financial burden experienced by many late-stage cancer patients. Fifth Season's program provides funds to people living with cancer by using their life insurance policy as collateral. The FLAG Program has provided over \$75 million in funds to hundreds of families.

**FOOD OUTREACH**

(314) 652-3663x111   [www.foodoutreach.org](http://www.foodoutreach.org)

Food Outreach is a non-profit organization that provides nutritional support at no cost to low-income men, women and children living with cancer.

**CANCER FUND OF AMERICA**

(800) 578-5284 or (865) 938-5281   [www.cfoa.org](http://www.cfoa.org)

Helps defray cancer-related expenses not covered by insurance; a national non-profit organization whose mission is to provide free professional help to people with all cancers through counseling, education, information and referral and direct financial assistance.

**THE PATIENT ACCESS NETWORK FOUNDATION**

[www.patientaccessnetwork.org](http://www.patientaccessnetwork.org)   (866-316-7263)

Patient Access Network Foundation assists patients with out-of-pocket costs associated with their treatment.

**PATIENT ADVOCATE FOUNDATION**

<https://www.patientadvocate.org>   (800-532-5274)

Patient Advocate Foundation provides education, legal counseling, Co-pay Relief Program, and referrals for people with cancer who need assistance managing insurance, financial, debt crisis, and job discrimination issues.

**[HTTPS://WWW.GYNCA.ORG/COUNTIES-WE-SERVE](https://www.gynca.org/counties-we-serve)**

GYNCA's website that has the county resources you reside in.

**[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/HOOHAHUDDLE/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/HOOHAHUDDLE/)**

GYNCA's "Closed" Facebook group for survivors only. This group will be able to post, comment, and interact with only GYNCA verified survivors. It is totally private. No one outside of this group can see your activity. We would love for you to join and invite any survivors you know.