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County of Sussex, Sussex County Chamber of Commerce Collaborate on Interactive Business Map

(Newton, NJ) Sussex County residents and business owners now have the ability to access a business status interactive mapping system, which will be available on the County of Sussex's website, as well as linked on the Sussex County Chamber of Commerce and Sussex County Economic Development Partnership websites.

A tool developed by the County, in partnership with the Sussex County Chamber of Commerce and the Sussex County Economic Development Partnership, the online map is available for every business within the county to list its information and reopening status. The interactive map also offers residents the opportunity to support local businesses.

Sussex County Freeholder Joshua Hertzberg called the initiative "great teamwork," between the county staff, including Bill Koppenaal from the Sussex County Department of Engineering and Planning; and Tammie Horsfield on behalf of the Chamber and Economic Development Partnership.

"I think it (the map) shows the county's reinvigorated involvement in economic development and the ingenuity of our staff," Freeholder Hertzberg said. "It will be a great tool to help residents and businesses; and will complement the amazing work our County Economic Development Partnership is doing to help the business community. We will continue to be partners with our local businesses and will continue to try and be innovative in our approach to business development."

"This is a true partnership," said President of the Chamber and Economic Development Partnership, Tammie Horsfield, of the collaborative project. "Every business should post itself there."

For close to 11 weeks since the COVID-19 pandemic struck New Jersey, she said she has been working with businesses of all types, whether or not the businesses are Chamber members, that have contacted the Chamber for support and to troubleshoot various issues, in the midst of the pandemic.

The interactive map, available at: https://sussex.nj.us/covid19 enables users to toggle to select various options for each business, including those that offer delivery, drive-thru services, shipping, takeout, curbside pickup or online ordering. A business can additionally specify if it is open by appointment only, permits walk-ins or is not yet reopened for business.

Sussex County businesses that would like to be included on the map, can click on the "Business Reopening Survey" tab at the top left of the map; and complete the survey questions. For questions about the map or modification of information already submitted, please contact: scplanning@sussex.nj.us.

To access the map from the county's website, visit: www.sussex.nj.us, and click the "COVID-19/Coronavirus" link on the left side of the page. For the Sussex County Chamber of Commerce website, visit: www.sussexcountychamber.org. For the Economic Development Partnership, visit: www.sussexcountychamber.org/sussex_county_economic_development_partnership.

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