



Memo:

To: HBA of Bucks & Montgomery Counties Executive Committee

From: Brian McKenzie, President

Subject: We're In this Together: Alert - Governor Wolf's Order Wolf orders all 'non-life-sustaining' businesses to close in Pennsylvania

Please let this communication serve as notice of Governor Wolf's announcement and the response of the Home Builders Association of Bucks & Montgomery Counties ("Association") as it relates to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Last evening, Governor Wolf announced that all 'non-life-sustaining' businesses close their physical locations in Pennsylvania effective 8:00 pm Thursday, March 19, 2020 for an undetermined amount of time. Enforcement for noncompliant businesses will begin 12:01 am Saturday, March 21, 2020.

[Governor Wolf's Website](#)

Obviously, this mandate directly impacts our Association and its members' businesses for the foreseeable future. With that in mind, we kindly ask that you consider the bigger picture with this decision. We are hopeful that these seemingly drastic actions are what is required in this difficult time to ensure a timely and mitigated conclusion to this threat to human health and safety.

Please also know, the Association is working closely with the Pennsylvania Builders Association ("PBA") as this situation continues to evolve to ensure there is communication with Governor Wolf's office and the State Legislative bodies.

With regard to the Association's membership, the Association is as strong as it has ever been. It remains committed to you, the members, in its mission to continue promoting, educating, and advocating the advancement of the residential construction industry while serving our community.

While the Governor's order will hopefully be a temporary measure to ensure the COVID-19 outbreak is controlled, we as the Association recognize that members directly impacted by the halt in construction will now be considering their own internal cost controls. In an effort to accommodate those cost considerations, effective today, March 20, 2020, the Association will provide payment options to its members for annual membership renewals that are due thru June 30, 2020. More details will be provide at the time of your renewal we will provide more details on options.

In addition, all events that have been planned to occur through May 31, 2020 have been cancelled. Additional details related to these cancellations will be provided in the coming days.

This is a rapidly changing situation with more updates to be announced as more information is available. Remember, we're all in this together! Please stay safe and healthy at this challenging time.

Sincerely,

HBA of Bucks & Montgomery Counties