



Essential Business FAQs

This list is basic in nature. If you have specific questions, contact the SCPH call center at 330-926-5795 for further guidance.

What are the essential businesses?

1. Grocery Stores
2. Gas Station
3. Pharmacies
4. Police Stations
5. Fire Stations
6. Hospitals, clinics, and healthcare operations
7. Garbage, sanitation
8. Public transportation
9. Public benefits hotlines
10. Restaurants doing takeout/carryout
11. Laundromats, dry cleaner
12. Food production, distribution, fulfillment, storage, marinas, sale, construction, building management, airports, utilities
13. Almost all government
14. Food, beverage (including liquor), and medical marijuana stores
15. Charitable and social services organizations
16. Religious entities
17. Media
18. Banks and other financial institutions
19. Hardware and other supply stores
20. Tradespeople (plumbers, electricians, exterminators, cleaning staff, HVAC, etc., who are necessary for essential businesses
21. Mail/Postal businesses
22. Educational institutions
23. Home office suppliers/Office Supply stores
24. Transportation businesses (Uber and Lyft)
25. Home based care services
26. Residential facilities and shelters
27. Professional services (legal/accounting/real estate/title services, etc)
28. Manufacture, distribution, and SUPPLY CHAIN for all of the above
29. Critical labor union functions
30. Hotels and motels
31. Funeral services



What if my employer told me to come to work?

- You should continue to come to work but practice social distancing. If you feel that you are not an essential business, please discuss with your employer or call the Health Department.

Can I visit friends and family?

- Only if you are taking care of them

Social Distancing for Essential Businesses

1. Six foot distance between employees and between employees and customers
2. Hand sanitizer for employees and customers
3. Separate operating hours for vulnerable populations
4. Posting online whether a facility is open and how best to reach a facility