

As of 11:30am this morning, Gloucester County is reporting via their website 72 total cases in the county, and Pitman has its first confirmed case. By taking all the steps and precautions that have been detailed through local, county, state and federal officials for the past several weeks, we can limit the spread of the virus throughout our community. It's simple...families and those sheltered together need to stay home and avoid direct contact with others.

*New information for businesses from the NJEDA is posted [here](#).

*Additional information from the federal government for workers impacted by the current situation can be found at <https://myunemployment.nj.gov/> or by calling 856-507-2340.

*Here is a summary from Senator Menendez's office of the direct payments being made by the federal government as a result of the CARES Act:

"About 8 in 10 tax filers in New Jersey can expect direct payments from the CARES Act. Individuals who earned up to \$75,000 a year according to their tax income in 2018 or 2019 will receive \$1,200 (\$2,400 per married couple filling taxes together and with earnings up to \$150,000 a year) and an additional \$500 per child in every qualifying household. Individuals earning more, and up to \$99,000 will receive a smaller amount to be determined by the IRS based in on their income. Direct payments will come directly from the IRS and could be sent as soon as the second week of April, if you are registered with the IRS for direct deposit."

Stay well,

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