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RI on Pause Grants Extended through Third Week of Pause

Application Deadline extended to 11:59 pm on Monday, December 14th

PROVIDENCE — On December 10th, Governor Gina Raimondo announced that the Pause would be extended for one additional week, through December 20, 2020. Consequently, the Grant Program for Rhode Island on Pause will extend relief to eligible businesses for all three weeks.

The deadline to apply has been extended to 11:59 pm on Monday, December 14, 2020. Eligible businesses will receive two checks: one for the first two weeks of the Pause and a second for the third week of the Pause. The second check will be half the amount of the first check. If a business applies and receives the first check, it will automatically receive the second check; no additional action is required.

For businesses who have not yet applied, the Division of Taxation and Commerce teams will host a Zoom Webinar covering the application process tomorrow, Friday, December 11th, at 11:00 am. Register Here: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_INVkip-ASC2kvpqtoJpBOQ.

At the conclusion of the webinar, the video will be posted on the [Commerce YouTube channel](#) and linked Commerce social media channels.

Apply for the Rhode Island on Pause Grant at <http://www.tax.ri.gov/RIonPause/index.php>.

Eligible industries include:

1. Restaurants, bars, caterers and food trucks with an active meals and beverage account
2. Indoor Recreation or Entertainment Establishment
 - a. Indoor entertainment establishment (e.g. movie theater, comedy club, performing arts venue/organization)
 - b. Indoor recreation (e.g. arcade, bowling center, pool/billiard hall, escape-the-room, trampoline park, roller-skating rink)
 - c. Indoor spectator sports venue
 - d. Other Indoor Recreation or Entertainment Venues
3. Gym or Fitness Center
 - a. Gym/athletic club/exercise center/health club
 - b. Sports facility (tennis club/racquetball club/hockey rink/swimming facility)
 - c. Fitness instruction center (e.g. aerobics, dance, yoga, karate, etc.)
 - d. Other Gym or Fitness Center
4. Event Support Professionals impacted by the Pause whose primary source of income (more than 50%) is event-related, including only photographers, videographers, florists, limo services, event planners, event rentals, performers, convention and trade show organizers, hair and make-up professionals.

The Rhode Island Division of Taxation office is open to the public 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. business days. To learn more, see the agency's website: www.tax.ri.gov, email Tax.Excise@tax.ri.gov, or call (401) 574-8829.
