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Maryland United for COVID Relief NOW Coalition to Hold Emergency Virtual Rally on Sunday

Local elected officials, community leaders, business owners come together to push for Maryland Stimulus

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (January 8, 2021) - Maryland elected and community leaders from the Maryland United for COVID Relief NOW Coalition will hold a virtual rally on Sunday, January 10, at noon, calling on Gov. Larry Hogan to release additional funds for financial relief for Maryland's struggling families and small businesses.

The virtual rally will feature remarks from elected officials, faith leaders, community organizations and other speakers whose lives and livelihoods have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Speakers include:

- Comptroller Peter Franchot
- U.S. Senator Chris Van Hollen
- U.S. Representative Anthony Brown
- Montgomery County Council President Tom Hucker
- Prince George's County Council Chair Calvin Hawkins
- Anne Arundel County Council President Sarah Lacey
- Howard County Council Chair Liz Walsh
- City of Takoma Park Mayor Kate Stewart
- Rev. Alvin Hathaway, Union Baptist Church

- Willie Flowers, President, NAACP - Maryland Conference of Branches
- Bel Leong-Hong, CEO, KAI
- Clint Sobratti, Vice President, UFCW 1994
- Ken O'Connell, President, MC Small Business Association
- Gustavo Torres, Executive Director, CASA
- Sandy Bell, President, Maryland NOW

With state and local aid blocked by Congress, many services that Maryland families and businesses rely on are threatened. More small businesses are in danger of closing, renters are facing eviction and homelessness, and families are going hungry.

The Maryland United for COVID Relief NOW Coalition is calling on Governor Hogan to provide a direct \$2,000 stimulus for Maryland's most vulnerable residents and additional aid to small businesses.

Presenters will underscore the severity of the economic crisis impacting Marylanders and small businesses and the need for Maryland to use its Rainy Day Fund to supplement the most recent stimulus package passed by Congress.

To attend the virtual LIVE rally, click below: <https://zoom.us/j/96344732434>

The event will also be livestreamed on Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/MDCOVIDReliefNow>.

Maryland United for

COVID RELIEF NOW



EMERGENCY VIRTUAL RALLY TO RELEASE THE RAINY DAY FUNDS

Sunday, January 10 at Noon

MDReliefNow.com

We must support and uplift families and communities during this difficult time.
We must do more to help Marylanders get back on their feet.

Speakers (in formation)



Tom Hucker
President
Montgomery
County Council



Calvin Hawkins
Chair
Prince George's
County Council



Liz Walsh
Chair
Howard
County Council



Sarah Lacey
Chairman
Anne Arundel
County Council



Chris Van Hollen
US Senator



Peter Franchot
Maryland Comptroller



Anthony Brown
Congressman
(MD-04)



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