LANE COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS
April 2020

NOTE: Unless labeled otherwise, data is from March 2020 and does not reflect the full impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the local economy. The April release on May 27th will more accurately capture the short term picture.

Graph of the Month: As a result of layoffs and temporary closures, the number of people filing initial unemployment insurance claims remained at highly elevated levels in April. Recent weeks have seen a decrease in new claims processed from the most recent peak, which took place in the week ending April 4th.

Latest Lane County Economic Data
Unemployment rate: 3.6% (seasonally adjusted)
Change from previous year: -1.0 pct. pts
Business highlights: new openings, closings & hiring events
- Reduction: Willamalane Park and Recreation District in Springfield is furloughing 59 employees.
- Reduction: Royal Caribbean is furloughing about 26 percent of its 5,000 workers in the U.S. including some workers at the Springfield location.
- Expansion: Lane County Health and Human Services will open the Lane County Respite and Recovery Center.

Notable Over-the-Year Employment Changes
March 2019 to March 2020

Health Care and Social Assistance: +900 (+3.4%)
Manufacturing: -100 (-0.7%)
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities: +200 (+5.6%)
Retail Trade: -300 (-1.5%)
All Industries: +3,400 (+2.1%)

Source: Oregon Employment Department Current Employment Estimates

News and Articles
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