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Delaware County as part of the Southern Tier Region has continued to maintain stable metrics that should allow the beginning of the Phase 2 reopening of our businesses. However, late on May 28, 2020 the Southern Tier was informed the Phase 2 reopening would be delayed while the Governor's panel of experts evaluate the data from the Phase 1 reopening. The Governor is expected to release a new reopening date for Phase 2 today. Delaware County officials are disappointed and frustrated with the Governor's late day decision to delay the reopening and will work with all other Southern Tier Counties to get a new date posted.

Delaware County remains committed to helping all businesses reopen as soon as possible. We continue to work diligently with the rest of the Southern Tier Region to move as quickly as possible through the phases while monitoring the safety metrics established by the state. We would like to thank all of the residents of Delaware County for doing their part to keep us on track and allowing us to restart our local economy.

As with businesses that reopened in Phase 1 all businesses that are planning to reopen must follow the guidance provided by New York State and affirm that the guidelines are understood. Each business should refer to NY Forward Safety Plan template at <https://forward.ny.gov/phase-two-industries>.

The Phase 2 business categories include:

- Office-Based Work
- Hair Salons & Barber Shops
- Real Estate Services
- Commercial Building Management
- Essential and Phase II Retail – In-Store Sales
- Vehicle Sales, Leases, and Rentals
- Retail Rental, Repair, and Cleaning

However, Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders, the following businesses must remain closed:

- Malls; specifically, any indoor common portions of retail shopping malls with 100,000 or more square feet of retail space available for lease; however, any stores located within shopping malls, which have their own external entrances open to the public, separate from the general mall entrance (e.g. strip malls), may open;

- Dine-in and on premise restaurant or bar service, excluding take-out or delivery for off-premise consumption;
- Large gathering/event venues, including but not limited to establishments that host concerts, conferences, or other in-person performances or presentations in front of an in-person audience;
- Gyms, fitness centers, and exercise classes, except for remote or streaming services;
- Video lottery and casino gaming facilities;
- Movie theaters, except drive-ins; and
- Places of public amusement, whether indoors or outdoors, including but not limited to, locations with amusement rides, carnivals, amusement parks, water parks, aquariums, zoos, arcades, fairs, children's play centers, funplexes, theme parks, bowling alleys, family and children's attractions.

If you require assistance or need clarification please contact the Delaware County Economic Development Department at (607) 832-5123 or visit the website at <https://dcecodev.com/>