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EVERS GIVING FALSE HOPE OF HELP

For Second Time in Three Days, Evers Announces Aid Program With No Application Process

MADISON – For the second time this week, Governor Evers has announced with great fanfare that he will provide tens of millions of dollars in aid to people and businesses suffering during his “Safer at Home” order. However, when individuals look for details or an application to access this aid, nothing can be found.

“People are suffering and scared for their financial future,” said Senator Van Wanggaard (R-Racine). “They need help now, not the promise of help only to find out they can’t access it. Making grand announcements of millions of dollars provides immediate hope to people in need. But that hope is snatched away when they find out there’s no way to get the money or learn any details.”

On Monday, Governor Evers announced \$75 million in aid to small businesses via a press release, with no application details, website, or a way to apply for the aid. Today, Evers announced \$25 million in rental aid, again with no application process. In two days this week, Evers has promised \$100 million in aid, with no way for the public to access it.

“I appreciate Governor Evers finally recognizing that people are suffering because of his “Safer at Home” order,” Wanggaard said. “But he still doesn’t seem to recognize the magnitude of the damage. Small business losses almost certainly greatly exceed \$2,500 per business, and people are in danger of eviction starting Tuesday. I’m glad he’s promising aid, but announcing aid without allowing people to access it is just cruel.

Wanggaard also noted that these announcements come the same time it was announced that more than 675,000 unemployment claims have gone unpaid, with no timeline to relieve the backlog.

“How many evictions will occur because of the inability to access unemployment payments?” asked Wanggaard. “The Administration needs to stop promising and start delivering.”

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