

# **Update on BEGA's Office of Government Ethics OGE Operating Status during COVID-19 Emergency**

### What is our operating status?

Our agency remains operational. Under the Mayor's designation, OGE is operating on FULL telework status.

#### How does this impact what we do?

- Ethics advice to District employees BEGA continues to provide ethics advice to District employee and accepts complaints of alleged ethics violations electronically or by telephone.
- Administering the District's Lobbyist Registration and Reporting Systems continues services
  electronically. BEGA will not assess late fees on filings that are delayed due to the public heath
  emergency.
- Administering the District's Financial Disclosure Programs continues services electronically. BEGA
  has extended the financial disclosure filing deadline to July 15, 2020.
- Trainings continues providing regular monthly trainings and trainings upon request virtually.
- Walk in assistance has been suspended from March 16, 2020 through the end of the public health emergency.

#### How does this impact our physical locations?

• OGE's office at 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW will be closed from March 16, 2020 through the end of the public health emergency

#### What else are we offering to meet your needs?

• OGE's staff is available from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Our office can be reached at 202-481-3411 or at bega@dc.gov.

What precautions are we taking to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)?



Our employees are taking precautions to keep themselves healthy and limit the spread of infections like regularly washing their hands, cleaning facilities more frequently, and reducing close contact with each other and residents.

## Where should you go if you have questions?

For questions about any of the services we provide and information on any future changes, please contact us at 202-481-3411 or bega@dc.gov. For more information, please visit coronavirus.dc.gov.