

## The K-Shaped Recovery and the Cost of Inaction

Depending on where you sit in the COVID economy, business could be booming or on the brink of bankruptcy—a “K shaped” recovery, writes Chamber President Suzanne Clark in a blog post today. As Congress prepares to return for the fall after Labor Day, it is time for them to get back to work and muster the same sense of urgency to support those still on the brink as they did in passing the CARES Act earlier this year.

### By the numbers:

- It is estimated that [four million small businesses](#) have exhausted their Payroll Protection Program funds. Without further assistance, many face imminent and permanent closure.
- The average school district will face [\\$1.8 million](#), or \$485 per student, in additional costs for disinfectants, personal protective equipment, and other preparations to bring students into classrooms this year.

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