

## Emily Deach

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**Subject:** Cares Act

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Dear Skagway Assembly members,

I have recently just returned to town and completed my quarantine last week, and have been catching up on Skagway's current position regarding Covid-19 and the current economic state of Skagway.

Everyone has been affected differently by Covid -19, but my personal situation looks like this, I have a renter who cannot currently pay me any rent, and as we will be discussing repatriation, the situation looks grim, and their rent typically pays my property taxes.

I am currently not qualified for any Cares Act grant since I have only recently taken possession of my EIDL loan, which was only enough to get me through to next year on rent alone on the business and not money already spent, and expenses outside the business. I hope we will be open for business by the time we need to start paying back the loan.

I have just recently been denied PPP because we operated 2019 at a loss.

I DO NOT live in Skagway or Alaska year round, and I DO NOT collect the PFD fund.

*I DO* hold an Alaska drivers license and *I DO* hold an Alaska voters registration card.

I understand that the property tax is most likely the only way the MOS is able to collect revenue, right now. Unfortunately I'm currently unable to collect any revenue myself due to the current situation.

I do believe it's fair for Skagway to be more concerned about its year round residents and economy. As it is an immediate concern and from what I can see, the winter looks grim already.

I have yet to hear of any topics discussed about "seasonals", as myself.

This would have been my 20th season operating Broadway Jewelry in Skagway. And I do have a fair amount of property that my family and I have acquired here. So although we don't consider ourselves local we have invested heavily in the community through out the years. And have certainly added to Skagway's economic growth in multiple facets.

Thanks for taking the time to consider my situation and possibly others that may face a current similar situation as mine.

Sincerely,

Kathy Shen