TWIN SMALL BUSINESS CRISSES
We need decisive action to preserve Missouri’s small businesses and jobs

COVID-19
As of July 2021, over 70% of businesses in Missouri remain negatively affected. Forty percent believe it will take six months or more to return to normal.

SILVER TSUNAMI
Retiring baby boomers own half of all small businesses, over 56,500 in Missouri. 6 out of 10 will try to sell their business in the coming decade, and many won’t find buyers.

EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP
Can support business continuity, preserve good jobs and rebuild local economies in Missouri.

Local businesses are the lifeblood of our economy
Small businesses employ nearly half of Missouri’s private sector workforce. In addition, local businesses circulate 3x more money back into their communities than absentee-owned businesses and corporate chains.

Investing in employee ownership
As part of Missouri’s recovery agenda creates more resilient local economies with stronger small businesses and higher quality jobs. In addition to temporary relief measures, we need cost effective strategies that build truly resilient economies.

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Join us in advancing a two-pronged small business recovery agenda that supports business continuity and incorporates employee ownership. With our partners, we are accelerating our efforts and working across Missouri to help business owners who are considering closing their businesses for good or looking for a succession solution that preserves their legacy and yields benefits for all.

We must rebuild with more resiliency and equity for workers, businesses and communities.