

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 public health and economic crisis, the Mercatus Center is routinely publishing short-essays to address pressing ongoing policy questions affecting Congress, state governments, and the American economy.

Tyler Cowen, Mercatus' General Director, recently wrote a blog post titled, "[The Best Economic Plan Against the Coronavirus](#)" focusing on these main points:

1. Scale down economic activity in a rapid way to keep people at home, but without devastating the physical, cultural, or organizational capital that will be needed to restore growth and normality.
2. Boost the confidence of markets -- both retail and financial markets -- by showing progress in limiting the spread of the disease.
3. Keep business in a position to rebound.
4. Create incentives for production to bounce back once that is appropriate.

You can find Tyler Cowen's blog post [here](#).

As we all know, this ongoing public health and economic crisis continues to evolve. The Mercatus Center at George Mason University will be sending timely policy briefs containing recommendations for governments at all levels.

Please [regularly check our website](#) for all of the Mercatus Center's up-to-date research and responses to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Should you have any questions or would like to learn more about how the Mercatus Center can act as a resource during these challenging times, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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