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Your colleagues on the SCHB Executive Committee are working to provide help for all members the Small Chemical Businesses Division during this COVID-19 pandemic crisis. Shortly you will be receiving a request to participate in a survey to assess and prioritize the needs of you - our members – from the need for mentor assistance to sources of potential funding to companies facing a difficult future. Please take a few minutes to answer the survey. We will use this survey data to initiate programs to meet the greatest needs that you identify.

At this time, we also call upon those members who have specific experience and skills that they could share with those members in start-up and early stage, small companies in need of counsel and guidance. If you have such talents that you are willing to share, please contact Jim Skinner, Chair Elect chair-elect@acs-schb.org.

Meanwhile, although the Philadelphia meeting was cancelled, we continue to work in preparation for the San Francisco meeting as well as many other Regional and special meetings to present sessions of particular interest to you. Note that the ACS San Francisco abstract deadline for the [SCHB program track](#) has been extended to April 20, 2020. Additionally, the deadline to submit abstracts for [Pacifichem](#) 2020 has been extended to April 15, 2020. The Pacifichem symposium, Chemical Business Best Practices for Global Challenges (#92), listed under the Education Topic, is currently accepting contributed papers.

While we've not yet issued SCHB's newsletter Small Chem Biz for Spring 2020, we are revising the format and content and hope to release it soon.

SCHB seeks to expand its base of active volunteer members and particularly solicits expertise in WordPress website development and short video (2-3 minutes) messaging. Please contact chair-elect@acs-schb.org if you are willing to assist.

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