



# Alachua County Board of County Commissioners

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March 20, 2020

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The Honorable Governor Ron DeSantis  
Office of Governor - State of Florida  
The Capitol  
400 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Governor DeSantis:

During the current state of emergency, several states have reduced or eliminated the need for people seeking unemployment benefits to apply for five jobs per week.

In order to reduce multiple contacts between businesses and job seekers, and to ensure that the many people losing their jobs as a result of the pandemic receive much needed public assistance, please eliminate this job-seeking requirement in an administrative or emergency order.

Thank you for expeditiously considering this request during these difficult times.

Sincerely,

Robert Hutchinson, Chair  
Alachua County Commission, and  
Board Member of Alachua/Bradford CareerSource  
Chr20.046

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Michele L. Lieberman, County Manager  
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