



## COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES

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We understand it may be difficult to navigate the various resources available in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In an effort to consolidate resources, below are a series of links collected from the [State of Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development \(DEED\)](#), [Southwest Regional Development Commission](#), [Southwest Initiative Foundation](#), [Small Business Administration](#) and [Greater Minnesota Partnership](#).

### Workplace Health and Safety

- [Minnesota Department of Health](#)
- [Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [Southwest Health and Human Services - COVID-19 Situational Awareness, select the red button on the page](#)

### [Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development \(DEED\)](#)

- [Information and Resources for Employers](#)
- [Rapid Response](#) - Employers planning a closure or major layoffs as a result of COVID-19 can get help through Rapid Response Program
- [Office of Broadband](#) - Employees who do not have broadband and cannot work from home can review a [list](#) of providers to identify local programs being offered.
- [Small Business Administration \(SBA\) Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program \(EIDL\)](#) - As of 3/20/2020 has not yet been activated.
  - [Economic Injury Disaster Loans](#) will be direct loans from SBA to businesses, not funneled through banks or intermediaries
  - Businesses can [download the application](#) forms now and begin preparing and compiling the required documentation so it can be submitted as soon as the disaster declaration is active.
  - Loans will be available to for-profit businesses and private non-profits
  - Interest rates are 2.75% for private non-profits and 3.75% for for-profits
  - Unsecured loans up to \$25,000 and \$2,000,000 secured loans; loan terms of 30 years
  - [Applications](#) can be submitted electronically. They will also except paper applications, however will take longer to process.

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- [View the PowerPoint Slides from the SBA regarding EIDL from 3/19/2020](#)
- Learn more contact SBA Disaster Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or visit the [SBA website to sign up for email updates](#).
- [SBA Business Disaster Assistance Loans Flyer](#)

### Minnesota Unemployment Insurance

- [Information for employers affected by COVID-19](#)
- [Information for employees affected by COVID-19](#)
- [Shared Work - alternative to layoff](#)
- [Minnesota Unemployment Insurance Law](#)
- [Video Library](#)

### **Related Articles and Resources**

- [COVID-19 Practical Guidance for Addressing the Evolving Challenges from Fredrickson and Byron](#)
- [COVID-19 Business Toolkit from Minnesota Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [COVID-19 Business Resources from Lathrop GPM \(formerly Gray Plant Mooty\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Resources from International Economic Development Council](#)
- [Leadership in Times of Crisis Toolkit](#)
- [3/16/2020 Minnesota Legislative Session COVID-19 Message from Greater Minnesota Partnership](#)

Information regarding available resources continue to evolve and we will strive to keep this information as current as possible. Your patience during this time is appreciated and wish to serve as resource to you during this unprecedented time.

Please feel free to reach out should you have any questions or are seeking additional information not listed above, please contact Briana Mumme via email at [briana\\_m@co.redwood.mn.us](mailto:briana_m@co.redwood.mn.us).

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