

COVID-19 - Accessing Government Funding & Other Resources

Recently, the National Council of Nonprofits, US Chamber of Commerce, Nonprofit Quarterly, and a number of federal agencies and other organizations have provided information and held webinars on legislation and programs designed to provide relief for nonprofit organization during this crisis.

The Center has assembled some of the information we think might be helpful in accessing these resources, including:

Information on COVID-19 Relief Bills

These resource will also be available on the Center's website at
<https://nonprofit.adelphi.edu/resources/research-and-reports/>

The National Council of Nonprofits

- **“What the Families First Coronavirus Response Act Means to Nonprofits”** - This is a fact sheet on the loan programs <https://www.councilofnonprofits.org/sites/default/files/documents/families-first-act-analysis-3-19-2020.pdf>
- **“Loans Available for Nonprofits in the CARES Act”** – This is a chart of the three (3) types of loan programs available to nonprofit organizations.
<https://www.councilofnonprofits.org/sites/default/files/documents/cares-act-loan-options-for-nonprofits.pdf>
- **“Federal Coronavirus Relief Bills What Do They Mean for Nonprofits?”** – A webinar that presents an overview of “The Families First Act” and loan programs through the “CARES Act”

US Chamber of Commerce (Updated on April 1, 2020)

- **“Checklist & Guide to the Paycheck Protection Program”** This resource on the CARES Act’s loan program for small businesses and nonprofits is also on the Center’s website. The checklist and guide can also be found at:
https://www.uschamber.com/sites/default/files/023595_comm_corona_virus_smallbiz_loan_final.pdf

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The “CARES Act” affects unemployment insurance, as well. The new law:

- Extends eligibility for individuals who have traditionally been ineligible for UI benefits (e.g., self-employed workers, independent contractors);
- Allows for an additional \$600 per week, on top of regular benefits, to all UI recipients; and
- Provides an additional 13 weeks of UI benefits, beyond the regular 26 weeks already provided, for a total of 39 weeks of coverage.

Information can be found at: <https://labor.ny.gov/unemploymentassistance.shtm>

Small Business Administration

The SBA is the federal agency administering the government's COVID-19 loan programs for businesses and nonprofit organizations.

- **“Coronavirus (COVID-19): Small Business Guidance & Loan Resources”** – An overview of each of the loans program can be found at: https://www.sba.gov/page/guidance-businesses-employers-plan-respond-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery
- **Top SBA Lenders NY** - Loans will provided through local institutions that serves as lenders for SBA programs. This site will guide the user to a lender. Information can be found at: <https://www.sbalenders.com/top-sba-lenders-new-york/>

FEMA Assistance

Private Non-Profit Eligibility (PNP) Guidelines

Facilities not owned by public entities also may be eligible for disaster assistance if certain criteria are met. This program is intended for organizations that have sustained extensive disaster losses. PNP facilities fall into two categories:

1. Critical PNPs – a facility that provides a critical service which is defined as: education, utility, emergency, or medical.
2. Non-critical PNPs – a facility that provides a non-critical, but essential, government service AND is open to the general public such as: community centers, museums, and zoos.

Information can be found at: <https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/03/23/coronavirus-covid-19-pandemic-public-assistance-simplified-application>

Local Funders

Long Island Community Foundation

According LICF's website, "The COVID-19 Long Island Philanthropic Response Fund was established to aid nonprofit service providers struggling with the health and economic effects of the coronavirus. Grants will be awarded to Long Island nonprofits meeting emergent and critical needs affecting our local region." Additional information can be found at: <https://licf.org/giving/covid-19-long-island-fund/#>

United Way of Long Island

United Way of Long Island has listed a number of resources for recently unemployed individuals and families affected by COVID-19. UWLI has established a fund to help families dealt with the health and economic crisis. Additional information can be found at:

<https://www.unitedwayli.org/coronavirus> and <https://www.unitedwayli.org/unitedtogetherfund>

County COVID-19 Websites

Nassau County: <https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/4946/Coronavirus-COVID-19>

Suffolk County: <https://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Health-Services/Health-Bulletins/Novel-Coronavirus>