

# Emergency Support for Small Business

Illinois Small Business Development & International Trade  
Center – College of Lake County



# SBDC resources

35(ish) SBDC's (Small Business Development Centers)

8 ITC's (International Trade Centers)

8 PTACS (Procurement Technical Assistance Centers)

**General mission:** Provide advising, training and tools to start and grow small businesses.

**Supplemental mission:** Support businesses during Coronavirus (COVID-19) to stay open and access disaster assistance funding.

# Goals during Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Provide critical information.

- The Small Business Survival Guide, which is available at our website at [www.clcillinois.edu/sbdc-itc](http://www.clcillinois.edu/sbdc-itc).
  - 1) Reducing spread of the virus.
  - 2) Tactics for helping businesses to stay open and support employees.
  - 3) Applying for disaster assistance loans and grants.

Help people to understand the types of financial support available and providing access to loan application sites.

Help people understand the types of business documentation required to submit applications.

Answer questions about the loan/grant application processes.

# Emergency loans and grants

## **SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans**

- Eligibility: <500 employees with acceptable credit
- Maximum Loan Amount: \$2million
- Rate: 3.75% for profit / 2.75% non for profit
- Term: Up to 30 years
- Application: [Disasterloan.sba.gov](https://disasterloan.sba.gov)

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## Hospitality Emergency Grant Program (Illinois/Pritzker)

- Eligibility: Restaurants and bars <\$1 million, hotels <\$8 million in revenues
- Maximum Grant Amount: \$25K for food and beverage businesses, \$50k for hotels. Total allocation \$14 million.
- Rate: Free
- Apply by April 1, lottery April 4, disbursements April 6
- Lottery distribution: 1/3 Chicago, 1/3 collar, 1/3 downstate
- Application: [us.accion.org/ILgrant](https://us.accion.org/ILgrant)

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## Accion Expedited Line of Credit

- Eligibility: IL or IN business owners with clean credit between January 2019 to March 2020
- Maximum Loan Amount: Up to \$25K, based on first 3 months of 2020 revenues
- Rate: 9%
- Term: Interest only year 1, then shifts to 5 year term loan
- Application: <https://apply4businessloan.com/#/ACCIONCHICAGO>

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## Illinois Small Business Emergency Loan Fund (Illinois/Pritzker)

- Eligibility: Outside Chicago, <\$3M revenue, <50 employees
- Maximum Loan Amount: \$50K
- Rate: No payment for 6 months, TBD thereafter
- Term: 5 years
- Application:  
<https://www2.illinois.gov/dceo/SmallBizAssistance/Pages/EmergencySBAInitiatives.aspx>
- Available starting March 27

# Emergency loans and grants

## Coming soon - Keeping Workers Paid and Employed Act (CARE Act) – 2 Trillion federal stimulus

- *Passed senate March 26*
- Eligibility: <500 employees per location, other TBD
- Maximum Loan Amount: 4.5 months of eligible expenses, up to \$10M
- Rate: approximately 4%
- Term: Defer up to 1 year, depends on use of funds
- Application: TBD (thru SBA 7a lenders)

# Priorities for small businesses

- Take steps necessary to reduce spread of the virus. No amount of money will help if this pandemic is not controlled.
- Take necessary steps to reduce costs like:
  - Renegotiating leases, getting loan payment deferrals, reducing business hours/work week, cutting operational costs, etc.
  - Determine which clients, inventory, and infrastructure are critical for continued operation of your business.
  - Review employee job descriptions to determine which employees are critical to support critical work functions.
  - Provide information and assistance to your employees that need to receive unemployment. If possible, communicate intent to rehire them when things improve.
  - Apply for emergency working capital loans and grants.
- Become lean. Get or keep the cash required to stay in business. Learn what it takes to survive. Share your experiences with other businesses.

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