

COVID-19 RESOURCES

AFL-CIO COVID-19 Outbreak Resources: <https://aflcio.org/covid-19>

Federal and State Assistance Update:

In the face of the coronavirus, the Labor & Workforce Development Agency (LWDA) wants to keep workers, employers, co-workers, and families safe. What employees are entitled to may be confusing. We are trying to make it easier and spread awareness through this centralized source of info. Use the guidance below to determine what is best for you, your family, and your workplace. And check out their webpage for more details:

<https://www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019/>

BENEFITS FOR WORKERS IMPACTED BY COVID-19

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[Labor.ca.gov/Coronavirus2019](https://www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019/)

Program	Why	What	Benefits
Disability Insurance	If you're unable to work due to medical quarantine or illness related to COVID-19 (certified by a medical professional)	Short-term benefit payments to eligible workers who have a full or partial loss of wages due to a non-work-related illness, injury, or pregnancy.	Approximately 60-70 percent of wages (depending on income); ranges from \$50-\$1,300 a week for up to 52 weeks.
Paid Family Leave	If you're unable to work because you are caring for an ill or quarantined family member with COVID-19 (certified by a medical professional)	Up to six weeks of benefit payments to eligible workers who have a full or partial loss of wages because they need time off work to care for a seriously ill family member.	Approximately 60-70 percent of wages (depending on income); ranges from \$50-\$1,300 a week for up to 6 weeks.
Unemployment Insurance	If you have lost your job or have had your hours reduced for reasons related to COVID-19	Partial wage replacement benefit payments to workers who lose their job or have their hours reduced, through no fault of their own.	Range from \$40-\$450 per week for up to 26 weeks.
Paid Sick Leave	If you or a family member are sick or for preventative care when civil authorities recommend quarantine	The leave you have accumulated or your employer has provided to you under the Paid Sick Leave law.	Paid to you at your regular rate of pay or an average based on the past 90 days.
Workers' Compensation	If you are unable to do your usual job because you were exposed to and contracted COVID-19 during the regular course of your work, you may be eligible for workers' compensation benefits.	Benefits include temporary disability (TD) payments, which begin when your doctor says you can't do your usual work for more than three days or you are hospitalized overnight. You may be entitled to TD for up to 104 weeks. TD stops when either you return to work, your doctor releases you for work, or your doctor says your illness has improved as much as it's going to.	TD generally pays two-thirds of the gross wages you lose while you are recovering from a work-related illness or injury, up to maximum weekly amount set by law. In addition, eligible employees are entitled to medical treatment and additional payments if a doctor determines you suffered a permanent disability because of the illness.

California has waived the 1 week waiting period for those unemployed or disabled because of COVID-19. If a medical professional says you're unable to work, if your hours have been reduced, or your employer has shut down -- you can file a claim.

- **Online:** https://edd.ca.gov/about_edd/coronavirus-2019.htm
- **By-phone:** Representatives are available at the following toll-free numbers, Monday through Friday from **8 a.m. to noon** Pacific time except on [state holidays](#).
 - English 1-800-300-5616
 - Spanish 1-800-326-8937

- Cantonese 1-800-547-3506
 - Mandarin 1-866-303-0706
 - Vietnamese 1-800-547-2058
 - TTY 1-800-815-9387
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- **By Mail or by Fax:** File your UI claim by accessing the paper [Unemployment Insurance Application](#). For faster and secure processing, fax the completed application to the number listed on the form. If you mail your application, use the address on the form and allow additional time for processing.
 - *How to Apply for UI Benefits (File a Claim)* (YouTube)
[English | Spanish | Cantonese | Vietnamese | Mandarin](#)

(Information from San Diego Workforce Partnership)

OSHA Protecting Workers During A Pandemic: <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA-FS-3747.pdf>

County & City Assistance Update:

The County's Public Health team and elected officials from across the region, on Thurs., March 12 announced social distancing and visiting restrictions have now been established countywide, and mass gatherings are being banned to slow the regional spread of novel coronavirus, which causes COVID-19.

[\[https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/health/story/2020-03-12/coronavirus-update\]](https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/health/story/2020-03-12/coronavirus-update)

Fundraising:

Coronavirus Leaves Union Stagehands Without Work

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/coronavirus-leaves-union-stagehands-without-work1>

Financial Assistance:

Gas & Electric Bill

If any union members need financial assistance to pay your utility bills please call Unions United at (858) 492-2000.

SDG&E

With the coronavirus pandemic causing significant impact on the economy and people's livelihoods, San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) announced today that it will temporarily suspend service disconnections. The disconnection moratorium will remain in place until further notice.

The company is urging customers who are struggling to pay their utility bill due to financial hardships stemming from the coronavirus to call its Customer Contact Center at 1-800-411-7343 to make payment arrangements.

"With our entire region already experiencing many disruptions due to the coronavirus, the last thing we want our customers to worry about is whether they can afford to keep their lights on," said Scott Crider, SDG&E's vice president of customer services.

SDG&E will also waive late payment fees for business customers whose finances have been hit hard by the coronavirus. The company does not charge residential customers a late payment fee.

[\[http://www.sdgenews.com/article/sdge-suspends-service-disconnections-nonpayment-part-its-coronavirus-response\]](http://www.sdgenews.com/article/sdge-suspends-service-disconnections-nonpayment-part-its-coronavirus-response)

News Links:

What to know about coronavirus in San Diego county

<https://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/what-to-know-about-coronavirus-in-san-diego-county/2283544/>

Scripps Health launches nurse hotline for coronavirus

<https://fox5sandiego.com/news/scripps-health-launches-nurse-hotline-for-coronavirus/>

San Diego County Schools Closing

<https://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/sdusd-to-shut-down-schools-in-wake-of-coronavirus-pandemic/2285012/>