




**CORONAVIRUS**

# BUSINESS RESOURCES

	<p><b>Short-Time Compensation Program</b> is available to business who are in need of reducing their <b>workforce</b> due to COVID-19. If your business is in need of reducing employee hours, please learn more about Short Time Compensation for employees to offset some of their lost wages and alleviate layoffs.</p>
 	<p><b>Florida Small Business Emergency Bridge Loan Program</b> supports businesses impacted by COVID-19.</p> <p>The bridge loan program, managed by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), <b>provides short-term, interest-free loans</b> to businesses (under 100 employees) that are experiencing economic injury from COVID-19. The application period opened March 17, 2020 and runs through May 8, 2020.</p> <p>TO LEARN MORE AND TO APPLY FOR A LOAN: Complete the loan application online at <a href="http://www.floridadisasterloan.org">www.floridadisasterloan.org</a> OR <a href="#">print application</a> and email to Tom Kindred, SBDC Regional Director at <a href="mailto:tkindred@irsc.edu">tkindred@irsc.edu</a>.</p>
	<p><b>Restaurants, Bars and Beaches</b> - Please refer to Florida's Department of Business &amp; Professional Management (DBPR) for more information and guidance. <a href="http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/">http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/</a></p>
	<p>The <b>Small Business Administration</b> has activated the <b>Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program</b>. This loan program provides access to capital up to \$2 million with a max interest rate of 4% and term of 30 years. For-profit and non-profit entities are eligible to apply.</p> <p>TO LEARN MORE AND TO APPLY FOR A LOAN visit <a href="https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/Information/EIDLLoans">https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/Information/EIDLLoans</a>.</p>
	<p><b>Disaster Unemployment Assistance</b></p> <p>Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA), administered by the Florida DEO, provides assistance to individuals whose employment has been either lost or interrupted as a direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p><a href="http://www.floridajobs.org/office-directory/division-of-workforce-services/reemployment-assistance-programs/disaster-unemployment-assistance">http://www.floridajobs.org/office-directory/division-of-workforce-services/reemployment-assistance-programs/disaster-unemployment-assistance</a></p>
	<p>The <b>Business Damage Assessment Survey</b> is open to assess the impact of COVID-19 on Florida's local business operations. The survey, managed by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), will evaluate businesses affected by COVID-19 and the impacts the virus has on the local economy.</p> <p>We encourage our local business community to <b>please participate in Business Damage Assessment Survey</b> so that impacts can be monitored for additional programs and resources. The survey can be taken online at <a href="https://floridadisaster.biz/BusinessDamageAssessments">https://floridadisaster.biz/BusinessDamageAssessments</a></p>