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OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS

Deadline Extended: Apply for SBA Disaster Loans

The deadline to apply for an SBA federal disaster loan was extended to Sept. 16, 2020.



These loans can be used for property damage caused by the civil unrest that began on May 26, 2020.

Businesses of all sizes, most private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters may apply for SBA federal disaster loans to repair or replace disaster-damaged property. SBA can also lend additional funds to help with the cost of improvements to protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future.

Businesses of all sizes and private nonprofit organizations may borrow up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory and other business assets.

Learn more and apply today:

- Visit [SBA's website](#)
- Call (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov
- Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call (800) 877-8339

[More Info](#)

Neighborhood Business Grants Now Available



Through a partnership between LISC Los Angeles and Lowe's, small business owners are invited to apply for the [Neighborhood Business Grant](#) program.

Before you apply, please note:

- Only businesses located in the designated cities are eligible to receive a Neighborhood Business Grant. [Use this map to confirm eligibility.](#)
- This program is separate from previous small business grant applications from LISC. You must submit a new application to be considered for a Neighborhood Business Grant.

Application deadline is **Sunday, August 23rd at 11:59PM ET.**

[**Apply Now**](#)

Free Legal Webinar: Join Us Wednesday!

Join us this Wednesday, August 19 for our next legal webinar, *Reopening After COVID-19*.

Sign up [here](#).

FREE LEGAL WEBINARS FOR SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

Topic: REOPENING AFTER COVID-19	COMMERCIAL LEASES DURING COVID-19
Date: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020	WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2020
Time: 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

REOPENING AFTER COVID-19
PRESENTATION BY:
C. EDWARD LANGHAMMER, ESQ.
OF COZEN O'CONNOR

COMMERCIAL LEASES DURING COVID-19
PRESENTATION BY:
MICHAEL VANN, ESQ.
SAMI JARBAWI, ESQ.

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Our Small Business Legal Webinars are free events bringing together top lawyers to present on pertinent legal areas for LA's COVID-19 impacted small business community.

Reopening After Covid-19: This presentation will highlight the phases of reopening and requirements for small businesses to operate while complying with the Health Officer's guidelines.

Commercial Leases During Covid-19: Learn about commercial leasing for your business, including considerations before entering into a lease, negotiating the lease, basic lease terms, strategies and "dos and don'ts," and legal considerations related to the impact of COVID-19 on commercial leases.

Individuals who are interested in an intake session immediately following the presentation to see if they qualify for free legal services may sign up using this link <https://signup.com/go/uNiCxoV>. Space is limited to the first 5 people. Others who are interested may submit an application at bettzedek.org/smallbusiness and will be contacted to schedule an intake at a later time.

For more information on Small Business Legal Resources, go to: bettzedek.org/smallbusiness



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Scam Alert: Scammers Using Fake SBA Website to Steal Information

Beware of a fake SBA website spreading through an email scam, claiming to provide COVID-19 loan relief.

[Read our article](#) to learn how to avoid this and other phishing scams.



Scam Alert: SAM Registration & Renewal

Scammers are posing as government agencies and asking for money to renew your System for Award Management (SAM) registration. **There is NO COST to register or renew** in the SAM database. Do not click on any links and delete these emails.

L.A. County businesses can call us at (800) 593-8222 with questions.



Women-Owned Small Business Resources Webinar



The United States Department of Transportation's (DOT) Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) invites you to participate in the Department's **Woman-Owned Small Business Resources Webinar** to be held on **Friday, August 28th at 2:00 pm EDT**.

This event is a collaboration between the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) **to inform women-owned small businesses about the tools available at these three cabinet-level agencies.**

Topics to be covered:

- Overview of DOT small business programs, mission and resources
 - Overview of HUD small business programs and mission
- SBA Women's Business Ownership Programs including technical assistance provided through Women Business Centers

Please [register](#) by **COB August 24th**. If you have any questions, please contact DOT at 202-366-1930 or email dot-osdbu@dot.gov.

Our Small Business Counselors Want to Virtually Meet You!

*Schedule a **FREE one-on-one appointment to learn how to sell to the government***

The LA County Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) offers one-on-one technical assistance and training to help businesses in Los Angeles County that are interested in local, state, and federal government contracting.

Our PTAC Counselors can help your business with most government contracting matters, including:

- Becoming a registered vendor
 - Getting certified
 - Finding opportunities
 - Target market analysis
- Marketing to the government

To schedule your free one-on-one counseling session, please email us at OSB@dcbalacounty.gov and we will connect you with a small business counselor.

Our Call Center Can Help Your Business



DCBA has partnered with the Department of Workforce, Development, Aging, and Community Services, and other County and State agencies to bring you the [L.A. County Disaster Help Center](#). The center has resources for businesses as well as employees to help during the COVID-19 emergency.

Counselors are available **Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.** to help business owners navigate emergency loan applications and help individuals that were recently laid off due to this emergency. Multilingual help is available.

Contact the Disaster Help Center:

- **Call** (833) 238-4450
- **Visit** [LACountyHelpCenter.org](https://lacountyhelpcenter.org)
- **Email** DisasterHelpCenter@lacounty.gov

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