

NYSERDA has identified the following resources to assist you:

Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Guidance for you and your employees — how to protect yourself and what to do if you're sick. You can find information such as:

- How COVID-19 spreads and mitigation strategies
- General business information including for small business and employees, worker safety and support
- Transportation & Delivery
- Managing Workplace Fatigue
- Safe workplace practices, cleaning and disinfection

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CARES Act's Paycheck Protection Program

Authorizes funding for small businesses to be applied towards job retention and certain other expenses. Small businesses and eligible non-profit organizations, Veterans organizations, and Tribal businesses described in the Small Business Act, as well as individuals who are self-employed or independent contractors, are eligible if they also meet program size standards.

- Overview of the program: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Top SBA Lenders in New York State: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Quick Preparation Guide for SBA 7(a) Loan application for CARES Act (PPP) loans: [LEARN MORE](#)

New York State Resources and Information on Small Business Administration (SBA) Loans

Includes links to New York's statewide community of Small Business Development Centers, Entrepreneurship Assistance Centers, and Community Development Financial Institutions who can guide your business through the SBA loan process: [LEARN MORE](#)

NYS Department of Health

Provides up-to-date information about COVID-19.

- Symptoms/prevention: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Testing Protocols: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Online assessment: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Local health department contacts: [LEARN MORE](#)

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Access information for workers and employers about protecting workers and workplaces in response to COVID-19. [LEARN MORE](#)

Small Business Administration — Low-interest Federal Disaster Loans

The Small Business Administration is offering low-interest federal disaster loans for working capital to small businesses and private, non-profit organizations in all U.S. States and territories. [LEARN MORE](#)

The Families First Coronavirus Recovery Act (FFCRA)

Signed March 18, 2020, FFCRA authorizes the U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) to disburse \$1 billion in grant funding to states for the administration of unemployment insurance programs. Funding is available to states in two allocations. 23 states have applied for the first round, and U.S. DOL is working with the Department of Treasury to certify the funds.

- U.S. DOL published additional guidance to provide information to employees and employers about how each will be able to take advantage of the protections and relief offered by FFCRA which went into effect on April 1. [LEARN MORE](#)
- The FFCRA also authorized emergency paid sick leave and an expansion of the Family and Medical Leave Act. On April 1, 2020, U.S. DOL issued a [temporary rule](#) codifying in regulation previously issued guidance regarding the implementation of the new leave benefits.

New York State Department of Labor

Provides guidance on unemployment insurance and benefits: [LEARN MORE](#)

National Health Emergency Dislocated Worker Grants (DWGs)

The U.S. Department of Labor announced availability of up to \$100 Million in National Health Emergency DWGs in response to COVID-19. DWGs are intended to provide eligible participants with both disaster-relief employment and employment training services. Participants can include dislocated workers, workers who were laid-off as a result of the disaster, self-employed individuals who are unemployed or underemployed as a result of the disaster, and long-term unemployed individuals. [LEARN MORE](#)

Empire State Development COVID-19 Business FAQ

Get answers to [frequently asked questions](#) for businesses regarding State regulations and general guidance related as well as answers to [frequently asked questions](#) on NY Forward and Business Reopening. If you still have questions, you can submit your COVID-19 related business questions online.

Reopening New York

Access resources for construction businesses in regions of New York that have been permitted to re-open and construction businesses statewide that were previously permitted to operate as essential.

- Construction Guidelines for Employers and Employees: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Interim Guidelines for Construction Activities During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency: [LEARN MORE](#)
- NY Forward Business Re-Opening Safety Plan Template: [LEARN MORE](#)
- FAQ on NY Forward and Business Reopening: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Regional Monitoring Dashboard: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Industries Reopening by Phase: [LEARN MORE](#)
- NY Forward Guidebook to Reopening New York and Rebuilding Back Better: [LEARN MORE](#)
- Department of Health Contractor Guidance for In-Home Contractors: [LEARN MORE](#)

For more information, please visit:

nyserdera.ny.gov/ny/COVID-19-Response