

MA Disaster Declaration Approved: SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) Now Available Statewide

COVID-19: Guidance for Small Businesses

sba.gov/coronavirus



Dear Small Business, Friends and Partners,

Please be advised that Massachusetts received approval for the disaster declaration statewide for small businesses and private non-profits to apply for the SBA EIDL loan program.

Please visit the SBA's Disaster guidance web page: www.sba.gov/disaster

Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications to mail in forms at: <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela> .

Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance.

Individuals who need language assistance, may ask for an interpreter once you call in and reach a customer service specialist.

Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call (800) 877-8339. Completed applications should be mailed to U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

My office is conducting training webinars for our resource partners/lenders and small businesses on the SBA EIDL loan program.

Thank you,

Bob Nelson
SBA Massachusetts District Director

Additional Links and Resources:

[Fact Sheet: MA 16344 Economic Injury Disaster Loan Fact Sheet](#)

[PDF: SBA Disaster Program and Step-by-Step Application Overview](#)

[Handout: SBA Disaster Assistance in Response to the Coronavirus](#)

[Handout: Asistencia de Desastre de la SBA en Respuesta al Coronavirus](#)

Disaster Processing Tip: Make sure Economic Injury Disaster Loan is selected

Many business applicants are not checking the correct option when applying and consequently getting kicked off the Disaster Loan Application Portal. The contractors have researched this and found that people are not selecting the correct option. Please advise all sole proprietors that they **MUST** select the Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Option as shown below, in order to proceed with applying for the EIDLs for the Coronavirus situation. If they select the wrong option, they do not have to re-register but they will need to start the application again.

Disaster Loan Application

Business Losses

***Please select the type of organization that best describes your business.**

- Sole-Proprietor (including individuals with income properties)
- Corporation
- Partnership
- Private Non-Profit Organization (e.g. religious, charitable, community organizations)
- Limited Partnership
- Trust
- Limited Liability Entity (LLC, LLP, etc.)

***Are you applying for: (check all that apply)**

- Real Property (including Leasehold Improvements)
- Business Contents (Machinery & Equipment, Furniture & Fixtures, and Other Business Assets, i.e. Inventory)
- Economic Injury (EIDL)
- Military Reservist Economic Injury (MREIDL)

UPCOMING WEBINARS

WEBINAR TODAY: FRIDAY MARCH 20th at 10AM

Economic Injury Disaster Loan Application Process

Friday March 20 | 10:00 am

(no registration required, login below)

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WEBINAR MONDAY MARCH 23 at 11AM

Coronavirus – What Employers and Employees Need to Know

[REGISTER](#)

Topics will include:

Most recent **legislative updates** and the impact on your business
What to do should you face a **temporary closure** or reduction in staff
Understanding **Sick Time**, Vacation/PTO and FMLA – what to offer and when
Employee Health Guidelines – what to do should an employee disclose exposure to the virus or become symptomatic

(Presented by Boston SCORE Chapter)

WEBINAR TUESDAY MARCH 24 at 1pm

SBA Disaster Loan Program

[REGISTER](#)

Wendell Davis, SBA New England Regional Administrator will be providing an overview of the disaster loan program.

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