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Unemployment Application Guide

And Helpful Resources to get You Hired ASAP!

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The COVID-19 pandemic has devastated employment around the globe; however, Loudoun's Department of Economic Development is working extremely hard to provide timely, accurate and helpful information, training and other resources to get impacted residents re-employed as fast as possible.

Please see below for helpful information about temporary unemployment benefits and resources to get you re-hired ASAP!

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How & Where to Apply for Temporary Unemployment Benefits



Relief for Workers Affected by Coronavirus: Virginia's Unemployment Insurance Information

At the Loudoun County Department of Economic Development, we're here for our businesses and our workforce. This chart was created with information from the [Virginia Employment Commission](#) to provide easy to understand guidance about unemployment insurance under the CARES Act.

For more information, please contact Nancy Evanko, Workforce Development Analyst for Loudoun Economic Development, at 703-771-5371 or email her at Nancy.Evanko@Loudoun.gov

Already Approved for Unemployment Insurance Benefits:	New Benefits for Previously Uncovered Workers:	Eligible for regular Unemployment Insurance Benefits
<p>How to file or re-open a claim</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can file online here. You can also file by phone: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For initial claims, call between 8:15am and 4:30pm, Monday - Friday, and between 8am and Noon on Saturday (closed Sunday and state holidays) 1-866-832-2363 For continuing claims, call 1-800-897-5630 	<p>How to apply for the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PAU)</p> <p>Self-employed, independent contractors and gig economy workers may be eligible to apply for the federal program called PAU.</p> <p>The CARES Act provides increased benefits for workers collecting unemployment insurance by \$600 for claims effective March 29 until July 31, 2020.</p>	<p>How to Apply for Unemployment Insurance Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can file online here. You can also file by phone: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For initial claims, call between 8:15am and 4:30pm, Monday - Friday, and between 8am and Noon on Saturday (closed Sunday and state holidays) 1-866-832-2363 For continuing claims, call 1-800-897-5630
<p>The Claims Process:</p> <p>Three steps make up our claims process. Before you file a claim, understand each step and how you can best file and register for work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Step 1 - Your Initial Claim Step 2 - Register for Work Step 3 - File Your Weekly Claim <p>Each step supports you in carrying on by providing temporary financial stability and a transition to new employment.</p>	<p>The Claims Process:</p> <p>To be eligible for this new program, workers must first apply through traditional unemployment by visiting the Virginia Employment Commission or the Virginia Career Works.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The state is required to verify eligibility under traditional unemployment before allowing claimants to be considered for the new PUA program. If you are determined to be ineligible for traditional unemployment, you will be contacted by phone (text or voice message) on how to file the supplemental information to complete your claim under the new PUA program. VEC will be announcing more details on the start date for this new program in mid-April. 	<p>Additional Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frequently Asked Questions from Workers Regarding Covid-19 can be found here. Watch a video tutorial to help you walk through the initial unemployment online filing process here. Please note: there are many requirements in the new legislation and every worker has unique circumstances and criteria that affect eligibility. The VEC will be posting additional updates on their website as new information is available. As a reminder, after completing an initial claim, claimants must file a weekly certification each following week in order to be paid. This can be done by calling the interactive voice response line at 1-800-897-5630 or through your online account. The online claim filing system is operational but might not send a confirmation number. Claims are being received and the VEC is working on fixing the problem.

Loudoun's Department of Economic Development (DED) created the above chart to assist residents with quickly finding the unemployment benefits needed.

The chart includes directions for:

- Applying for regular unemployment
- Applying for expanded unemployment due to COVID
- Re-opening a previous claim for unemployment

The chart can also be accessed [here](#). For additional information, contact Nancy Evanko, Workforce Development Analyst for Loudoun DED, at 703-771-5371 or email her [here](#). You can also click [here](#) to view the full resources page.

Jobs & Other Local Resources

Search for Jobs in Loudoun

BY JOB TITLE

Registered Nurse, Driver

SEARCH

BY EMPLOYER NAME

Raytheon, Loudoun County

SEARCH

BY JOB CATEGORY

Nursing, Technology

SEARCH

BY CERTIFICATION TYPE

CDL, CPA, Nursing

SEARCH

Workforce Resources for Job Seekers

Loudoun's DED is now offering a new service for workers negatively impacted by COVID-19, including a first-of-its-kind open jobs portal that compiles all open positions by Loudoun employers into one sortable tool. The career opportunities featured on this site can be filtered to match your needs and the criteria you value in your next job. View the job search site [here!](#)

Workshop Date	Workshop Title
04/16/2020 Thursday	MS Excel - The Basics (Full Day)
04/16/2020 Thursday	Northern Virginia Senior Community Employment Program (SCSEP)
04/16/2020 Thursday	Play Nice - Getting Along with Your Co-Workers
04/20/2020 Monday	Is WIOA Right for You?
04/21/2020 Tuesday	Mock Interview (11:00 - 12:00)
04/21/2020 Tuesday	Mock Interview (1:15 - 2:15)
04/21/2020 Tuesday	Mock Interview (2:30 - 3:30)
04/21/2020 Tuesday	MS Word - The Basics (Condensed)
04/22/2020 Wednesday	Jump Start Your Job Search - 2 Day Workshop (Day 1)
04/23/2020 Thursday	Jump Start Your Job Search - 2 Day Workshop (Day 2)

Loudoun's Workshop Registration Center

Please know that during these uncertain times, the staff of the Workforce Resource Center are here to help you through this transition.

Job readiness workshops are held virtually through the Go to Meeting platform. LinkedIn profile reviews and mock interviews are offered in the same platform via set appointment. View the [full schedule and](#)

[register online](#). If you need help deciding which workshop is right for you, call them at 703-777-0150 and press Option 0.

Feel free to submit this [questionnaire](#) for any employment-related resources and staff will respond to you within 1 business day. You may also call 703-777-0150 and press option 1 or visit the [website here](#).

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Be safe!



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