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City Government Resources

If you feel sick

- [Health Care Resources in Chicago](#) (City)
- [Coronavirus Symptoms](#) (CDC)
- [What to do if you are sick](#) (CDC)

Small Businesses

- Small Business Resiliency Fund – Low interest loans of up to \$50,000 with repayment terms of up to five years. The amount of the qualifying loan depends on the business' revenue before the business was affected by COVID-19. The City of Chicago has an [FAQ list available here](#) and is hosting webinar sessions which will cover loan terms, requirements and [how to apply for funds](#) (opening soon). Registration for the webinars is at www.chicago.gov/businessworkshops
*Applicants must demonstrate a 25% drop in revenue, have less than \$3 million in revenue and fewer than 50 employees, and have no current tax liens or legal judgments.
 - The interest rate will be 1% for the first 18 months and 5.75% thereafter, with minimal payments in the first six months.
 - Only Chicago businesses that have been operational for at least a year can apply.
- Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (“BACP”) – has a variety of local loan programs from the City. Learn [how to access capital](#) through a variety of local loan programs from the City, and [view a variety of options](#) for small businesses through BACP.
- Monitor the City’s official website for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Resources for Business, Consumers and Employees:
https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/bacp/supp_info/covid19resources.html
- The City is extending due dates for tax payments until April 30, 2020 for the following City taxes:
 - Bottled water
 - Checkout bag
 - Amusement
 - Hotel accommodation
 - Restaurant

- [SSA 27 Digital Marketing Rebate Program](#) – This program was created and approved by the Lakeview Special Service Area 27 Commission in emergency response to COVID-19. It is administered by the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce and provides incentives in the form of rebates to businesses within SSA 27 boundaries that invest in a digital marketing and social media strategy through working with a digital marketing or social media consultant, purchasing online ads, or use of social media boosting.
- [SSA 27 Security Rebate Program: Health & Sanitation Rebate Addendum](#)- This program was created and approved by the Lakeview Special Service Area 27 (“SSA 27”) and administered by the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce. It is to support local businesses impacted by high sanitation materials cost due to COVID-19 and reinforce a safe and clean environment by providing incentives in the form of rebates to business within SSA 27 boundaries.
- [The City of Chicago's Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\) Market](#), powered by Rheaply, provides small businesses, community-based organizations, and not-for-profits a streamlined way to secure affordable supplies from verified sources.

Arts Sector

- The City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events is updating a list of Arts community Resources here: [COVID-19 DCASE Arts Community Resources](#).
- If you are a practicing artist, an Illinois resident, and experiencing financial loss or hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, please apply to the [Arts for Illinois Relief Fund](#).

Chicago Public Schools

- For the remainder of this week, CPS families can pick up free grab-and-go meals from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. at any CPS school.
- During the district’s scheduled spring break, which begins Monday, April 6, families may pick up grab-and-go meals at 136 school sites across the city from Monday–Thursday, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. A detailed list of spring break meal sites is available [here](#). Beginning the following week (Monday, April 13), the district will launch a consolidated meal plan under which 276 schools that were most frequented by families will continue to provide free meals, and schools that were less utilized by families will no longer serve as distribution sites. That list can be found [here](#).
 - [Spring Break Meal Sites](#)
Monday, April 6 - Thursday, April 9
(closed Good Friday, April 10), 9am - 1pm
 - [Post Spring Break Meal Sites](#) – beginning Monday, April 13, 9am – 1pm. For the full list of meal sites open during spring break and under the consolidated site plan beginning April 13, please visit cps.edu/mealsites or call 773-553-KIDS.
 - [Schools and Youth Resources in Chicago](#).

Childcare

- Childcare for 1st Responders and Healthcare Workers; Mayor Lightfoot’s office is partnering with Sittercity to help connect volunteers with first responders and healthcare workers who need quality care for their families. The men and women on the frontlines of COVID-19

have been there for us -it's time to be there for them. Sign up today:

<https://family.sittercity.com/chicagoresponds/>

Vehicle Stickers

- The City Clerk's office is temporarily closed until further notice. They are continuing to work on waiving late fees and back charges on City Stickers from March 19, 2020 to April 30, 2020 for residents whose stickers were up for renewal in January, February, or March 2020 to provide some relief for those who are unable to either purchase or renew their stickers. During the suspension of Chicago Vehicle Window Sticker sales, enforcement on compliance related violations, including City Stickers and Residential parking Permits, will be suspended until April 30, 2020, for more detailed on these waivers, www.ezbuy.chicityclerk.com/

Struggling Financially

- [Employment And Financial Support Resources In Chicago](#) (City of Chicago)
- [Utilities And Bills Resources In Chicago](#) (City of Chicago)
- [Chicago Mutual Aid Network Connects Those In Need With Helpers Across The City](#) (Block Club)
- [Here's How To Get Free Meals For Your Child While CPS Is Closed](#) (Block Club)
- [CTA Offering Refunds On 7- And 30-Day Passes As Ridership Drops During Pandemic](#) (Block Club)

Housing

- [Housing Resources in Chicago](#).
- [Chicago Homeless Shelters & Services for the Needy](#) – Homeless Shelter Directory

Food Resources

- [Food Resources In Chicago](#) (City of Chicago)

Volunteer

- Nursing and Medical Volunteers needed - The Chicago Medical Corps needs nursing and medical providers and other non-medical volunteers to volunteer to help protect Chicago during the COVID-19 public health emergency. The City and State are looking for any and all health care workers, including nursing and medical students and retirees. Find more information and sign up at www.illinoishelps.net
- City of Chicago: [How to Help: Donate to Emergency Relief Funds and connect with organizations who are leading response efforts for essential needs](#).
- [Here's How You Can Buy Lunch For Weiss Hospital's Frontline Workers Battling The Coronavirus](#) (Block Club)
- [Got Any Health Care Experience? The City Wants You To Help Battle Coronavirus — Now](#) (Block Club)

- [Englewood Soup Kitchen Carries On During Pandemic, But Needs Help](#) (Block Club)
- [Chicago's Indie Music Venues Need Help. Here's A List Of Fundraisers](#) (Block Club)
- [Rogers Park Residents Form Hotline, Huge Volunteer Team To Help Neighbors During Outbreak](#) (Block Club)
- [6 Immigrant Groups Protecting Vulnerable From Coronavirus — Here's How You Can Help](#) (Borderless)
- [Need Help In Logan Square? Volunteers Launch Neighborhood Network To Connect People In Need](#) (Block Club)
- [Want To Help, Don't Know Where To Start? Here's A List Of Chicago Groups That Need Donations Right Now](#) (Block Club)
- [Chicago Mutual Aid Network Connects Those In Need With Helpers Across The City](#) (Block Club)
- [Volunteer Opportunities With Serve Illinois](#) (State of Illinois)
- [Want To Help Seniors In Your Area? My Block, My Hood, My City Signing Up Volunteers For Well-Being Phone Calls](#) (Block Club)
- [Blood Donations Badly Needed During Coronavirus Outbreak, Officials Say](#) (Block Club)
- [Pilsen Neighbors Sign Up To Grocery Shop For Older Folks As Coronavirus Spreads](#) (Block Club)
- [Hyde Park Mom Organizes Resource Network To Help Neighbors In Need As Coronavirus Spreads](#) (Block Club)