Immediate Help for Companies and Employees

As our world experiences the first pandemic of its kind, companies and employees need resources to be sustainable and plan for the time when business resumes. Here are some of the resources available.

**ShareWork Ohio**

This voluntary layoff aversion program available through Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) allows employers to reduce work hours without laying people off. Workers with reduced hours can receive unemployment insurance benefits for time not worked. More information can be found at [https://jfs.ohio.gov/ouc/sharedworkohio](https://jfs.ohio.gov/ouc/sharedworkohio) or by calling 866-733-0025, Option 3.

**Faster Unemployment Processing**

If businesses have to lay people off or shut down due to the coronavirus pandemic, ODJFS asked that you share the mass lay-off code with employees to speed the processing of their unemployment benefits: 2000180. Ohioans can apply for unemployment at [unemployment.ohio.gov](http://unemployment.ohio.gov) 24/7. Applications can also be made by phone at 877-OHIO-JOB (877-644-6562) on Monday – Friday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm.

Additional FAQs are available on unemployment benefits at: [http://jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/CoronavirusAndUI.stm?fbclid=IwAR3BZyg4bY1TbiNSI9VMQ2JcAWIgc mwI1ymaiYmsdWosjnypsK9KM5bYSMg](http://jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/CoronavirusAndUI.stm?fbclid=IwAR3BZyg4bY1TbiNSI9VMQ2JcAWIgc mwI1ymaiYmsdWosjnypsK9KM5bYSMg)

**SBA Small Business Loans**

The Ohio Development Services Agency is submitting an application to be included in this program. PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION TO [BusinessHelp@Development.Ohio.gov](mailto:BusinessHelp@Development.Ohio.gov) if you have been impacted by this crisis. More information is available at [https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance](https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance).

**Liquor Buyback**

Unopened liquor purchased in the last 30 days can be returned to the agency where it was purchased. Questions regarding this program should be directed to the Liquor Enterprise Service Center (LESC) at 1(877)812-0013 or by emailing [OhioLiquorInfo@Com.Ohio.gov](mailto:OhioLiquorInfo@Com.Ohio.gov).