Economic Injury Disaster Loan

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What is the Economic Injury Disaster Loan?

- The Economic Injury Disaster Loan ("EIDL")
 is a Small Business Administration ("SBA")
 loan program that has been adapted for use
 to address the COVID-19 crisis.
- Organizations apply through the SBA website.
- Congress authorized \$60 Billion in EIDL funding on April 23, 2020, \$10 Billion of which, is reserved for emergency grants that do not have to be repaid.

What is the Emergency Grant?

EIDL

- Applicants can request an emergency grant alongside their loan application for \$1,000/employee up to \$10,000.
- Grant funds do not have to be repaid, even if the loan application is unsuccessful. Note that there also is no obligation to take the loan if it is awarded.
- Grant funds should be used:
 - to provide sick leave to employees unable to work due to COVID-19;
 - to maintain payroll and retain employees;
 - to meet increased costs due to interrupted supply chains;
 - to make rent or mortgage payments; and
 - to repay obligations that cannot be met due to losses in revenue.

What are the terms of an EIDL?

- No loan forgiveness (though the emergency advance or "grant" of \$10,000 does not have to be repaid).
- Maximum loan amount of \$2,000,000 with a maximum term of 30 years.
- Unsecured up to \$25,000.
- Interest rates for businesses are 3.75% and 2.75% for nonprofits.
- Funds can be used to pay for expenses that could have been met had the disaster not occurred, including payroll and other operating expenses.
- Payments of principal and interest can be deferred for 12 months (interest will accrue during this period).

Who is eligible for an EIDL?

- Small Business Concerns;
- Eligible only if 500 or less employees or satisfy SBA employee-count size standards:
 - Business concerns;
 - a cooperatives;
 - an Employee Stock Ownership Plan;
 - a tribal small business concern; and
 - agricultural enterprises.
- Eligible regardless of employee-count:
 - Nonprofits (501(c)(d) and (e), excluding those that are primarily engaged in lobbying or political activities.
 - Includes faith-based organizations that satisfy 501(c)(3) requirements.
- In order to qualify for an EIDL, these entities must be located within a declared disaster area; and have suffered, or be likely to suffer, substantial economic injury as a result of the disaster.

Who is eligible for an EIDL?

- When counting employees, an organization MUST:
 - Include the average number of employees for each pay period for the preceding 12 months (with variations for seasonal businesses or organizations that were not operating from Feb.15, 2019- June 20, 2019);
 - Count all FTE, PTE, and temporary employees (but not independent contractors); and
 - Aggregate employees of affiliates.
 - No "affiliation" exemptions appear to be provided.

How does the EIDL interact with the PPP?

- Organizations can receive EIDL and PPP loans BUT may not use the proceeds of one for the same purposes as the other.
- EIDL loans made between February 15,2020 and June 30, 2020 can be refinanced into PPP loans that can be forgiven.
- Emergency Grants cannot be refinanced into PPP loans.

What if I need help?

- Applicants should work closely with their local SBDC office, accountant, payroll provider, and attorney to determine their eligibility for an EIDL and whether an EIDL is right for them.
- Because every organization's situation is unique it is important that you seek appropriate advice before taking or refraining from taking any action as a result of this presentation.



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