

December 31, 2020

Gurnee Business Partners:

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) & International Trade Center at College of Lake County has provided highlights of the latest **Paycheck Protection Program (PPP)** recently signed into law. The SBDC will begin hosting webinars to assist with the application process once more detailed guidance is available, expected in early to mid January.

Paycheck Protection Program Allocation:

- \$285B for Small Businesses
- \$20B for the EIDL Grant Program
- \$15B for the Entertainment Industry (live venues, independent movie theaters and cultural Institutions)

Maximum Loan Amount:

- \$2,000,000

How to determine Loan Amount:

- 2.5x's average monthly Payroll costs for Business
- 3.5x's average monthly Payroll costs for Food Service & [Hospitality](#)

Eligible Entities:

- Employ not more than 300 employees
 - For accommodation and food services operations with a NAICS codes starting with 72, fewer than 300 employees per physical location
- Have used or will use the full amount of their first PPP Loan
- Demonstrate at least a 25% reduction in gross receipts in the first, second, or third quarter of 2020 relative to the same 2019 quarter.
- Businesses, certain non-profit organizations, housing cooperatives, veterans' organizations, tribal businesses, self-employed individuals, sole proprietors, independent contractors, and small agricultural co-operatives

Ineligible Entities:

- Publicly traded companies
- Entities that receive a grant under the Shuttered Venue Operator Grants

Uses of Funds:

- Payroll Costs (includes employer-provided group insurance benefits)
- Rent
- Covered Mortgage Interest
- Utilities
- Additional Uses of Funds:
 - Fix property damage due to public disturbances

- Covered worker protection and facility modification expenditures, including personal protective equipment, to comply with COVID-19 federal health and safety guidelines.
Expenditures to suppliers that are essential at the time of purchase to the recipient's current operations
- Covered operating costs such as software and cloud computing services and accounting needs

Forgiveness:

- To be eligible for full loan forgiveness, PPP borrowers will have to spend no less than 60% of the funds on payroll over a covered period of either eight or 24 weeks — the same parameters PPP had when it stopped accepting applications in August
- Borrowers of a PPP second draw loan would be eligible for loan forgiveness equal to the sum of their payroll costs, as well as covered mortgage, rent, and utility payments, covered operations expenditures, covered property damage costs, covered supplier costs, and covered worker protection expenditures incurred during the covered period
- The 60/40 cost allocation between payroll and nonpayroll costs to receive full forgiveness will continue to apply
- Creates a simplified forgiveness application process for loans of \$150,000 or less. Specifically, a borrower shall receive forgiveness if a borrower signs and submits to the lender a certification that is not more than one page in length, includes a description of the number of employees the borrower was able to retain because of the loan, the estimated total amount of the loan spent on payroll costs, and the total loan amount. The SBA must create the simplified application form within 24 days of the bill's enactment and may not require additional materials unless necessary to substantiate revenue loss requirements or satisfy relevant statutory or regulatory requirements

Additional Benefits:

- EIDL Advance does not need to be paid back (payments made will be refunded if applicant has already received forgiveness)
- Deductibility of expenses paid with PPP funds
- This bill allows borrowers that return all or part of a previous PPP Loan to reapply for the maximum amount available to them

Documents:

- Click [here](#) for the text of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021
- Click [here](#) for a detailed summary of the new COVID-19 Emergency Relief Package
- Click [here](#) for details about the new Paycheck Protection Program and other small business support.

Important Dates:

The [Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021](#) makes several changes to PPP, EIDL, and SBA 7(a) and 504 deadlines.

- PPP will last until March 31, 2021
- PPP set-asides may be adjusted by the SBA Administrator after the program has been open for 25 days
- A business not in operation on February 15, 2020, shall not be eligible for a PPP loan.
- Borrowers may select a covered period ending at the borrower's choosing 8-24 weeks after origination
- Borrowers are required to retain relevant records related to employment for four years and other records for three years
- The covered period for EIDL grants has been extended through December 31, 2021.
- Increases SBA 7(a) loan guarantee to 90% until 10/1/21
- Increases SBA Express Loan amount to \$1 million until 10/1/21 and provides for establishment of a 504 Express Loan program to be in effect until 9/30/23.

Food Service Industry Analysis:

- Click [here](#) for an article, “What’s in the \$900 Billion Stimulus for Restaurants?”

To schedule a one-on-one business advising session with SBDC, click [here](#) or email: IllinoisSBDC@clcollinois.edu or call 847-543-2033.

Mobile COVID Testing in Lake County

The Lake County Health Department is announcing that free Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) testing is coming to Mundelein and Antioch over the coming weeks. A mobile testing unit managed by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) will be stationed in the county according to the following schedule:

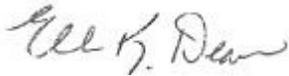
- Monday, January 4, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Mundelein High School
1350 W. Hawley St., Mundelein
- Friday, January 8, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Williams Park
400 Williams St., Antioch

Know Before You Go: Testing is free and open to all regardless of symptoms. A phone number and name are required in order to receive testing results. Photo identification and proof of insurance are helpful, but not required. Please expect long wait times due to high demand for testing. Testing locations may close early due to inclement weather or if daily testing supplies are exhausted. Those utilizing drive-thru testing must be seated at a functioning window. Once you get in line at the site, you will not be permitted to exit your car. All sites will also accommodate walk-up testing for individuals who do not have a vehicle. Only viral testing is provided at the mobile testing site.

Other Testing Options: State-run Community-Based Testing Sites, located in Waukegan (102 W. Water St.), Arlington Heights (2000 W. Euclid Ave.), and Rockford (1601 Parkview Ave.) are open 7 days a week from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Testing at these sites is free. For more information, visit the IDPH website at <https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/covid-19-testing-sites>. Many healthcare providers in Lake County also have COVID-19 testing available. Please contact your provider or their facility to ask about testing criteria and appointment availability. Residents without a healthcare provider or insurance can contact the Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center for an appointment at [\(847\) 377-8800](tel:8473778800).

As 2020 comes to a close, we are truly grateful – more than ever! - for your partnership and collaboration. Best Wishes for a healthy and prosperous 2021. Gurnee’s Got It!

Regards,



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