

Employee/Laid Off Worker Help Available:

*Have you been affected by COVID-19 or Shelter In Place?
Smart is here to help! Call or email us regarding the topics below or other questions.*

Have you had a reduction in hours or have you been temporarily laid off?

- **EDD Work Sharing Unemployment Insurance (UI) Program** allows for payment of UI benefits to individuals whose wages and hours have been reduced. It is considered a temporary and practical alternative to layoffs, allowing businesses to retain quality employees, while reducing business payroll burden and allowing them to supplement employee wages during this time.
 - **EDD Work Sharing Info and Application** https://www.edd.ca.gov/unemployment/Work_Sharing_Program.htm

Have you been permanently laid off?

- **File for Unemployment Insurance (UI).** UI rules and restrictions are being eased during this time so you may qualify, even if you have been denied in the past.
 - **Information specific to COVID exceptions:** https://www.edd.ca.gov/about_edd/coronavirus-2019.htm
 - **Information on UI filing, including links to file:** https://www.edd.ca.gov/Unemployment/Filing_a_Claim.htm
 - **The EDD launched a new call center number to assist customers. Call 1-833-978-2511, 7 days a week, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.**
 - **EDD YouTube Video to help with UI:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QQKriCx80H8&feature=youtu.be>
- **Smart Business Resource Center** has programs that can help you get re-employed and/or pay for education and training to educate and train you in a new field. We can also pay for supportive services such as transportation, interview clothes, work clothes, tools or equipment, etc for those that qualify. Check out our Participant Services flyer for all that we offer and then call or email us to enroll.
 - **Smart Center Participant Services flyer** (scroll to bottom of home page) <https://thesmartcenter.biz/>

Do you need help finding Part Time, Full Time, Temporary or Permanent Work?

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 - **Connecting to currently hiring employers.** Because our mission is helping workforce (employers and employees) thrive, we are already working with employers who have been designated as Essential Critical Infrastructure Organizations and have immediate need for available workers. We can connect you.
 - **Job postings.** Check out our local available job postings, updated daily.
 - <https://thesmartcenter.biz/job-listing/>

Are you: Self-employed – Business Owner – Independent contractor?

- Visit Pandemic Unemployment Assistance www. https://www.edd.ca.gov/about_edd/coronavirus-2019/pandemic-unemployment-assistance.htm