Accessing the Paycheck Protection Program

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SBA Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Overview

What is PPP?

- PPP is a loan to help small businesses keep workers on payroll.
- The amount you can apply for depends on your payroll, if this is your first or second PPP loan, and your industry.



SBA Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Overview

Do I need to pay back the loan?

- The PPP is a forgivable business loan.
- SBA will forgive loans if all employee retention criteria are met and the funds are used for eligible expenses.
- To qualify for forgiveness:
 - at least 60% of funds must be used for payroll expenses
 - and -
 - no more than 40% of funds must be used for other eligible operating expenses



SBA Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Overview

What will it cost me?

- No collateral or personal guarantees required.
- No application fees from lender.
- 1% interest over 5 years if not loans are not forgiven



Am I Eligible to Apply for PPP?

First Draw PPP Loans

- You can apply for a first draw PPP loan if you are:
 - Any business, nonprofit, veteran's organization, or tribal business that employs 500 employees or fewer
 - A sole proprietors; independent contractor; self-employed individual
 - A housing cooperative, direct marketing organization, tourism organization, local newspaper, TV or radio station
- Businesses must have began operating on or before Feb 15, 2020



Am I Eligible to Apply for PPP?

Additional Criteria for Second Draw Loans

PPP Second Draw applicants must:

- Have used all proceeds of your first PPP loan for authorized uses by the time your second loan is disbursed
- Show 25% decrease in revenue during at least one quarter of 2020, as compared to that same quarter in 2019
- Employ 300 employees or fewer



What can I use PPP funds for?

Payroll Costs

- Salaries
- Commissions
- Payment of cash tips (up to an annual rate of pay of \$100,000)
- Employee group health care benefits, including insurance premiums
- Retirement contributions
- Employee Benefits including costs for vacation, parental, family, medical or sick leave
- Income or net earnings from self-employment (Schedule-C for Sole Proprietors)



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Other Eligible Expenses

- Interest payments on mortgage obligations (Business owned)
- Rent
- Utilities
- Interest on other debt obligations, incurred before Feb 15, 2020
- Refinance of an EIDL loan (only for First Draw)
- Expenses eligible for forgiveness now include: software or cloud computing services, property damage costs (including from looting), supplier costs, worker protection costs including personal protective equipment (PPE) and expansion of indoor or outdoor business space



Documentation Needed

Employment Docs (all 12 months of 2020)

- Payroll Reports with a list of gross wages, paid time off, and taxes assessed for all employees
- 1099-MISC for all applicants filing as independent contractors
- Employer IRS Documents (including the following):
 - Form 941: Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return & Form 940: Employer's Annual Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax Return
 - o Form 944: Employer's Annual Federal Tax Return (for smallest employers)
 - Form W-3: Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements
- Health Insurance and Retirement expenses included as a part of payroll expenses (for example: a statement from insurance or retirement company).

Documentation Needed

Business Financials & Other Required Docs

- Articles of Incorporation / Business Organizational Documents
- Copy of Photo ID for all owners who own 20% of the business or more
- 2019 and 2020 Profit and Loss Statements
- 2019 Business Tax Returns
 - For partnerships, include IRS Form 1065 and Schedule K-1
 - For sole proprietors, include IRS Form 1040 Schedule C
 - For S-Corp, include Form 1120s
- For second draw loans >\$150K, financial documents must show revenue loss during at least one quarter



Loan Forgiveness Eligibility Criteria

Am I eligible for loan forgiveness?

Borrowers are eligible for loan forgiveness for of all or part of their loan if:

- You use the funds for eligible expenses over the course of your "covered period" (a covered period is between 8 and 24 weeks after you receive your PPP loan)
 - At least 60% of the forgiven amount must be used for payroll costs
 - The remaining 40% must be used towards other eligible expenses
- You maintain payroll and number of employees during the covered period, or meet certain exceptions
 - Keep the same # of employees, or meet certain exceptions
 - Do not decrease compensation more than 25% for any employee, or meet certain exceptions
- For loans under \$150K, the SBA is only requiring a simple application to attest to the above



Loan Forgiveness Eligibility Criteria

When do I need to start making payments?

Borrowers are eligible for loan forgiveness for of all or part of their loan if:

- Any portion of the loan that is not forgiven will have to be repaid over 5 years at a 1% interest rate
- Payments begin ~15 months after you receive your loan (10 months after your 24-week covered period)
- If you apply for forgiveness within 10 months of your loan disbursement, you will not need to start making payments until the SBA makes a decision



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Where to Get Help

- Learn more and get assistance: nyc.gov/ppp
- Register for SoBro's PPP webinars (Mondays): bit.ly/BxPPP
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 - bit.ly/SoBroCARES
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