

Financial Assistance Resources

1. Restaurants Care: Restaurants Care is a program of the California Restaurant Association Foundation (CRAF). We provide one-time financial support to restaurant employees facing an unforeseen hardship. Grants help to cover basic living expenses such as rent, food and utilities as someone works through a crisis.

<https://restaurantscare.org/>

2. IRS: Tax Relief

<https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus-tax-relief-and-economic-impact-payments>

<https://www.ftb.ca.gov/about-ftb/newsroom/covid-19/index.html?WT.ac=COVID-19>

3. Employment Development Department: The EDD provides a variety of support services to people who have lost their jobs, had their hours reduced, or had their businesses affected due to the impacts of COVID-19 in California.

https://edd.ca.gov/about_edd/coronavirus-2019.htm

4. 211 Santa Barbara County: Assistance with paying bills and other essentials services

<https://211santabarbaracounty.org/covid-19/>

6. CalWorks: provides cash aid and services, to help eligible needy families obtain food, shelter, and essentials.

<http://www.countyofsb.org/dss/services/cash-aid/calworks.sbc>

7. Community Action Commission: Utility assistance and home weatherization for qualified households

<https://cacsb.org/>

8. Southern California Edison: Suspending disconnections for customers unable to pay

<https://www.sce.com/>

9. SoCal Gas: Suspending disconnections for customers and providing payment assistance

<https://www.socalgas.com/>

10. PG&E: Offering flexible pay plans

<https://www.pge.com/>

11. COX: Discounts for new customers

<https://www.cox.com/residential/support/coronavirus-response.html?campcode=tnt-home-alert>

12. Student Loans: To provide relief to student loan borrowers during the COVID-19 national emergency, federal student loan borrowers are automatically being placed in an administrative forbearance, which allows you to temporarily stop making your monthly loan payment. This suspension of payments will last until Sept. 30, 2020, but you can still make payments if you choose.

<https://studentaid.gov/announcements-events/coronavirus>