# AVAILABLE RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES AND WORKERS IMPACTED BY THE 10 FWY SHUTDOWN

#### CITY OF LOS ANGELES

# **Business Assistance**

Downtown businesses that are impacted by the recent fire can receive remote or in-person assistance from one of ten Los Angeles BusinessSource Centers (BSCs) spread across the City. BSCs can provide free 1:1 consultation, business and employment support, and assistance in applying for forthcoming microenterprise grants and microloans.

- Downtown Los Angeles | Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment (PACE)
  - Phone: 213-353-9400; 711 for TRS
  - Email: PicoUnionLABSC@pacela.org
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish, Korean, Mandarin, Cantonese, French, Lingala, Tagalog, Thai, Armenian, Farsi, Hindi, Kanada, Gujarati, Marathi, Punjabi
- East Los Angeles | New Economics for Women (NEW)
  - Phone: 323-568-1520; 711 for TRS
  - o Email: ELABSC@neworg.us
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish
- Southeast Los Angeles | Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD)
  - o Phone: 323-450-7226; 711 for TRS
  - o Email: SoutheastLABSC@coalitionrcd.org
  - o Language Accessibility: English, Spanish

# Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion Services

Rapid Response (RR) activities are designed to respond to layoffs and plant closings by coordinating services to provide immediate assistance to employers and affected workers. RR activities include, but are not limited to, the provision of information and access to unemployment compensation benefits, continued health care, employment and training services (including those provided by the WorkSource and BusinessSource systems), emergency services, and other significant services.

- <u>Layoff Aversion Support</u> The Economic Development Corporation of Los Angeles (LAEDC) offers no-cost consulting services to help businesses overcome challenges and find alternatives to layoffs.
- <u>Job Loss Assistance</u> schedule an orientation to learn of the resources available to individuals who lost or will be losing their job due to no fault of their own.
  - Dennis Parks <u>Dennis.Parks@lacity.org</u> (English
  - Itzel Sanchez-Morales Itzel.sanchez@lacity.org (Spanish)

# Additional business resources offered by the Economic and Workforce Development Department:

- <u>Business Response Unit</u> one-stop shop for business assistance businesses in the City of Los Angeles can submit any question and receive specialized help.
  - o Phone: 213-744-7150
  - Email: <u>labusinessresponse@lacity.org</u>
- <u>Business Credit and Debt Counseling</u> to help business owners counter negative financial impacts, recover, and strengthen their financial health.
- <u>Small Business Loan</u> customized loans offer fair and flexible terms and can be used for a wide variety of business needs, including equipment purchases, working
- capital, and acquisitions.
- Los Angeles Regional Small Business Legal Aid Program provides free legal
  education and direct representation to qualified small businesses on a number of
  legal issues such as drafting and reviewing commercial leases and negotiating with
  landlords, drafting and reviewing contracts, business structure and entity formation;
  employment law advice; and other transactional legal matters like intellectual
  property assistance.

#### **Workforce Assistance**

WorkSource Centers (WSCs) acts as a personal employment agency to businesses. They offer free broad support to business owners and entrepreneurs looking to hire and train workers.

- Pico-Union/Downtown Los Angeles | Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment (PACE)
  - Phone: 213-353-1677; 711 for TRS
  - Email: PicoUnionLABSC@pacela.org
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish
- LA Central Library/Downtown Los Angeles | Los Angeles Public Library
  - o Phone: 213-228-7113; 711 for TRS
  - Email: Jdavis@westlake-worksource.org
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish
- East Los Angeles | Managed Career Solutions, Inc (MCS)
  - o Phone: 323-267-5930; 711 for TRS
  - Email: info@mcscareergroup.com
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish, Russian, Tagalog
- Vernon Central / LA Trade-Tech College | Coalition for Responsible Community <u>Development (CRCD)</u>
  - Phone: 213-763-5951; 711 for TRS
  - o Email: adult@coalitionrcd.org
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish

#### Additional resources offered by WSCs:

 <u>Employment, Employer & Entrepreneurial Support</u> includes job training, customized job matching via CalJOBS, Employment referrals, and customized recruitment services • <u>LA City Careers</u> The City of Los Angeles employs a diverse workforce of more than 50,000 people across 44 unique departments from the Airports to the Zoo.

# **Youth Assistance**

YouthSource Centers (YSC) Provide young Angelenos ages 14-24 the support and resources they need to succeed in life through access to education, paid work experience, and occupational skills training.

- East Los Angeles | Boyle Heights Technology Youth Center
  - o Phone: 323-526-5800; 711 for TRS
  - Email: info@coalitionrcd.org
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish
- South Los Angeles | Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD)
  - o Phone: 213-743-6193; 711 for TRS
  - Email: frontdesk.bhtyc@gmail.com
  - Language Accessibility: English, Spanish

#### **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

#### **Business**

• <u>Small Business Development Centers (SBDC)</u> throughout the region provide free business consulting and training services in all areas of operations and management, marketing, financing, and business planning

#### Workforce

- America's Job Centers of California (AJCC) For workers, these centers offer job preparation, job connections, paid work experiences, and supportive services; and for businesses, they offer recruitment and training, layoff aversion, payroll subsidies/hiring incentives, and more.
- <u>LA County Library Tools for Job Seekers</u> You can take online classes, watch career-related videos, explore the Work Ready book collection, research business information, find links to popular job boards, and much more.
- <u>LAEDC Business Assistance Program</u> offers free consulting services to help businesses overcome challenges and find alternatives to layoffs. Administered by the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC).

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

#### **Business Assistance**

- OSBA lists financing incentives, including incentives by industry <u>here</u>, and current grant opportunities <u>here</u>.
- <u>California Innovation Hubs bridge</u> the connection to local networks and communities and increase access to critical advising and training services.
  - Some of the services available may include:

- Identification of market and project opportunities through leveraging local networks
- Industry-specific workshops on business and innovation development
- Product development and testing resources
- Access to funding opportunities and grant writing connections
- Workforce skill development programs
- Direct advising and mentorships with industry experts.

#### FEDERAL PROGRAMS

### **Business Assistance**

- Small Business Development Centers provide no-cost, one-on-one consulting and low-cost training services and programs to small businesses and entrepreneurs.
   Small business center counselors can help identify any relevant privately funded grants for a specific city or county, as well as low-interest business loans, other local lending institutions, and state-backed loan guarantee programs.
  - Los Angeles Locations:
    - Los Angeles Regional SBDC Network-Lead Center hosted by Long Beach City College
      - Address: 4900 East Conant Street Building O2, Suite #108 Long Beach, CA 90808
      - Phone: 562-938-5020
    - SBDC Hosted by PCR Business Finance
      - Address: 3255 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite #1501 Los Angeles, CA 90010
      - Phone: 213-674-2696
    - SBDC Hosted by Pasadena City College
      - Address: 3035 East Foothill Boulevard, Room #122 Pasadena, CA 91107
      - Phone: 626-585-3105
    - SBDC Hosted by El Camino College
      - Address: 13430 Hawthorne Boulevard Hawthorne, CA 90250
      - Phone: 310-225-8277

**SBA Business Resource Partners** around the country provide training, opportunities, and funding to communities in their local area.

- <u>Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs)</u> provide entrepreneurial training and counseling
- SCORE Business Mentors connect you with a business mentor
- <u>Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC)</u> provides support to start or grow your business
- Women's Business Centers provide training, counseling, and resources to women-owned businesses

# **Economic Injury Disaster Loan | Hardship Accommodation Plan**

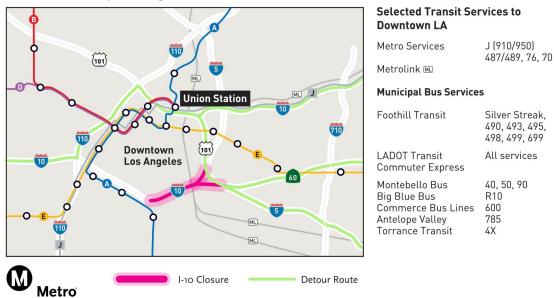
SBA is offering a Hardship Accommodation Plan for borrowers experiencing short-term financial challenges. Borrowers eligible for this plan may make reduced payments for a six-month period, with the option to renew after the plan concludes. Interest will continue to accrue, which may increase (or create) a balloon payment due at the end of the loan term. To learn more, please visit\_sba.org.

# **ACCESS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

Please consider taking public transportation. If you are traveling to or through Downtown Los Angeles, we encourage you to consider taking Metro transit.

Dash bus fare is 50 cents a ride and 25 cents for seniors and disabled individuals. Access cardholders travel free. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more schedule and fee details.

# **Avoid Traffic by Taking Transit**



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