What you need to know about the CARES Act. Today.
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The goal today is to make you aware of the new financial resources you might consider – NOT to help you choose a course of action. This decision should be made in consultation with your financial advisor.
ASK QUESTIONS

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businesshelpCOVID19@nd.gov
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AGENDA

• Stimulus Package Overview
• Focus:
  – Coronavirus Families First Response Act (CFFRA)
  – Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)
  – Paycheck Protection Program (PPP)
  – Expanded Unemployment
  – Direct Payments
• Scenarios
• Closing Remarks
STIMULUS PACKAGE OVERVIEW

1. PHASE I
   Coronavirus Preparedness and Response

2. PHASE II
   Families First Coronavirus Response Act

3. PHASE III
   Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

4. PHASE IV
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FAMILIES FIRST CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE ACT (FFCRA)

• Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act
• Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act
• Tax Credits for Paid Sick Leave and Paid FMLA
• Emergency Unemployment Insurance Stabilization and Access Act of 2020

FFCRA NOTICE REQUIRED
CARES Act (selected sections)
TODAY’S FOCUS

• Economic Injury Disaster Loans
• Paycheck Protection Program
• Expanded Unemployment
• Direct Individual Payments
EIDL  ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN
EIDL
OVERVIEW

• Loans for small businesses made between 2/15/2020 and 12/31/2020
• Includes $10,000 EMERGENCY Advance
• Apply online at covid19relief.sba.gov
• Direct loan from SBA
• May be used to pay for business expenses that cannot be paid due to COVID-19, such as:
  • Payroll (not covered by PPP)
  • Accounts payable
  • Existing Loan payments
  • Real estate payments
  • Many other…
EIDL ELIGIBILITY

• All small businesses are eligible, including startups, non-profits, sole proprietors, independent contractors, cooperatives, ESOP’s with < 500 employees
  • Some exceptions apply
• Business does NOT need to be operational one year before the disaster
• Loan offered based on credit score
EIDL LOAN AMOUNT AND TERMS

• Up to $2,000,000
• Up to 30 year term
• No personal guarantee on loans <$200,000
• 3.75% interest rate for small businesses
• 2.75% rate for nonprofits
• SBA will place lien on assets of the business
• Personal guarantee for owners of >20% of the business, managing members of LLC’s and managing partners of LP’s

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• Can be refinanced into a PPP loan, by adding the outstanding amount to the “payroll” sum

• The application process is live!

• Expected timeline is 2-3 weeks plus an additional 5 days for funding

• There is no obligation to accept the loan if you qualify

• The SBA typically allows 60 days to accept, with extensions typically available
PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM

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PPP OVERVIEW

- Loans for small businesses made between 2/15/2020 and 6/30/2020
- DELIVERED THROUGH qualified LENDER
- Completely guaranteed by federal government
- May be used to pay for:
  - Payroll
  - Group health care benefits during periods of sick, medical, or family
  - Insurance premiums, employee salaries, commissions or similar compensation
  - Interest on mortgages
  - Rent, utilities, interest on any other debt incurred before the covered loan period
- Forgivable upon meeting certain conditions
PPP ELIGIBILITY

• Expands definition of small business to “not more than 500 employees”
• Allows businesses with more than one physical location that employs no more than 500 employees per physical location engaged in hospitality and restaurant industries to be eligible
• Establishes loans eligibility for sole-proprietors, independent contractors, and other self-employed individuals
• Must not have an application pending for a loan duplicative of the purpose and amounts applied for; from Feb. 15, 2020, to Dec. 31, 2020, the borrower has not received a loan duplicative of the purpose and amounts applied for with the Paycheck Protection Program
PPP Loan Amount and Terms

- Generally determined to be 250% of average monthly payroll (or 8 weeks payroll x .25%)
- Maximum of $10M
- Waives
  - Borrower and lender fees
  - “Credit elsewhere” test
  - Collateral and personal guarantee
  - Prepayment penalties
- Maximum interest = .5%
- Term = 2 years
- Deferment of loan payments permitted for at least 6 months and not more than a year
- No collateral or personal guarantee
PPP LOAN REQUIREMENTS

• Loan necessary due to uncertainty of current economic conditions
• Funds will be used to retain workers and maintain operating costs
• No application pending/no duplicative funds for same use from another SBA program
“This gets very tricky, because the forgiveness section uses the term ‘covered period’, but defines it differently than the loan amount section. It is the eight-week period beginning with the origination of the loan.”

Peter J. Reilly, Forbes, March 28, 2020
PPP LOAN FORGIVENESS

• Forgiveness amount = allowable expenses during “covered period” (covered period is 8 weeks after origination date)

• Forgiveness amount = the sum of all payroll costs, payments of interest on covered mortgages, payments on covered rent obligations, and covered utility payments between 2/15 and 6/30/2020

• Amount forgiven MAY NOT exceed the principal amount of the loan

• Amount forgiven reduced based upon decreases in the # of employees and employee salaries with re-hire exemptions

• Amounts forgiven are not included in borrowers taxable income
EMPLOYERS TAKE NOTE – INSURANCE COVERAGE

• See Bulletin 2020-8
• Contact your insurance carrier
• There may be flexibility to allow coverage
EXPANDED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & BENEFITS

Relief for Workers Affected by Coronavirus
ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

• Effective through 12/31/2020
• Must certify unavailability to work because of circumstance caused by COVID-19 (not eligible if telework or paid leave benefits are available)
• Covers those not typically covered by regular unemployment, such as self-employed, independent contractors, gig workers
• Adds 13 weeks on to state unemployment benefits for maximum of 39 weeks (including any weeks for which the covered individual received regular UI benefits)
• Additional $600/week through July 31st; no waiting week
UBER DRIVER

Works as an independent contractor

Must provide proof of past earnings – most likely tax documents

Example - $40,000 annual earnings - $769/week

- $384/week:
  - Regular UI
- $600/week:
  - Automatically added through July 31, 2020
- $984/week total:
  - [Regular UI + Pandemic UI coverage]
PLUMBER – SELF EMPLOYED

Offers services to the public

Must provide proof of past earnings – most likely tax documents

Example - $60,000 annual earnings - $1,154/week
  • $576/week:
    • Regular UI
  • $600/week:
    • Automatically added through July 31, 2020
  • $1,176/week total:
    • [Regular UI + Pandemic UI coverage]

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DIRECT PAYMENTS
PAYMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS

- $1,200 for individuals
- $500 for dependents under age 17
- Income limitations apply
SCENARIOS
PUTTING IT TOGETHER
RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

• NDresponse.gov (Select “Business and Employers”)
• USChamber.com
• NDchamber.com
• North Dakota Small Business Development Center
• SCORE Mentors
• ND Women’s Business Center
• Veteran’s Business Outreach Center

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IN CLOSING

More to come – implementation resources and guidance are developing.
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