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Legal Outreach

Working for Equal Justice in the API Community

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Supporting Immigrant Communities Amid COVID-19 Crisis

**PROTECT
UNDOCUMENTED
IMMIGRANTS:**

COVID-19
Immigrant Public
Charge Update

COVID-19 FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS

**WE ARE HERE TO HELP WITH
APPLICATION PROCESS.**

APILO welcomes Governor Newsom's initiative to assist our undocumented immigrant families as the global pandemic continues to disproportionately affect low-income immigrant communities. Starting in May, undocumented immigrant adults in California can apply to receive a **one-time cash benefit of \$500 per adult with a cap of \$1,000 per household** to deal with the specific needs arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. To learn how to apply for this benefit or receive assistance for application process, please contact our office.

THE PUBLIC CHARGE RULE DOES NOT RESTRICT ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE

(testing, screening or treatment of communicable diseases, including COVID-19). If you are in the process of applying for visas or green cards and you must rely on cash or non-cash public benefits due to COVID-19, provide an explanation and relevant supporting documentation as it will be considered by USCIS in inadmissibility determination.



If you wish to speak with an attorney for legal advice, call our office at (415) 567-6255 or (510) 251-2846. APILO Staff is ready to speak with you in Korean, Tagalog, Chinese, Spanish, Japanese, Vietnamese and English.

IMPORTANT UPDATES ON THE CARES ACT: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Important IRS Economic Impact Payment Update

- IRS has launched an online tool for **those who do not normally file a federal income tax ("non-filers")** to register and enter payment information to receive the Economic Impact Direct Payment. Please register your information [here](#).
- You can also monitor and track your payment status information [here](#).
- Many eligible recipients are experiencing delays in receiving their payment on time for the reasons such as **inaccurate banking information** or glitches in the IRS website. Please document any difficulty you experience and keep trying to access information on a daily basis.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (PUA) BENEFITS UPDATES

- An additional \$600 to each weekly benefit amount you may be eligible to receive, as part of the separate CARES Act Pandemic Additional Compensation program, **only cover the weeks of a claim between 3/29/2020 and 7/25/2020**. More information can be found [here](#).
- You can be **eligible to receive PUA benefits even if you don't have sufficient work history** or if you had a job offer to start working on a specific date but were not able to start due to COVID-19 related reason. More information can be found [here](#).



Please know that conditions and requirements for eligibility for the CARES Act programs are constantly changing. Please call our office at (415) 567-6255 or (510) 251-2846 for more in-depth and up to date information.



SMALL
BUSINESS



DEFEND
DACA
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- A second round **\$484 billion COVID-19 relief package for small businesses** has been passed. This includes \$60 billion that will be dispersed to **credit unions and smaller lenders** in order to help businesses that do not use major financial institutions.
- **Once the Small Business Administration (SBA) starts accepting applications once again, it is important to act quickly as the relief money is in high demand. Please have your financial documents ready.**
- Senator Kamala Harris of California is calling for the SBA to ensure that small businesses owned by low-income communities of color receive a fair opportunity in securing loans under fair lending laws.
- **If you have any questions as to your eligibility and application processes for potential future PPP or EIDL loans, please call our office for assistance.**



**Got DACA?
Renew today!**

FREE CONSULT AND FILING!

If your DACA is set to expire soon, we encourage you to contact our free legal and social services at API Legal Outreach for assistance with the renewal process.

If eligible, our lawyers will cover the following at no cost:

- * Free Consult & Filing
- * Application Preparation
- * Application Filing Fee (\$495)

TO START YOUR CONSULTATION OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US TODAY AT
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