Think You Can't Get Unemployment Benefits? Now You Can!

Pennsylvania Launches Pandemic Unemployment Assistance

In response to Covid19, a new unemployment benefit program, Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), is available to workers who are not eligible for regular Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation (UC).

This includes:

- Independent contractors or freelancers
- Self-employed business owners
- Gig workers
- Workers without enough work history to qualify for UC
- Individuals without work history who had a job offer that was withdrawn due to Covid19 or that they cannot start because of Covid19

If you have lost your job, lost business, had your hours reduced, or been unable to work due to the Covid19 crisis:

YOU SHOULD APPLY FOR PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

PUA will provide 39 weeks of:

- Weekly PUA benefits ranging from \$195 to \$572
- An additional \$600 per week from April through July

Do NOT Apply for Regular Unemployment Compensation

The PUA Application will be available online at **www.uc.pa.gov** by the last week of April. Follow **www.facebook.com/PALaborIndustry or www.facebook.com/philalegal** for updates and announcements

To apply for PUA, you will need:

Documentation of Employment/Self-Employment

Including but not limited to:

- Copies of recent paycheck stubs
- Bank receipts showing deposits
- 1099s
- Billing notices to customers
- Recent business ads
- Business licenses, contracts or invoices
- Building leases

Documentation of Wages/Earning

Including but not limited to:

- Tax returns
- Paycheck stubs
- Bank receipts
- Ledgers
- Contracts
- Invoices
- Billing statements

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