

Economic Injury Disaster Loan

Texas small businesses and nonprofits may be eligible for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) Program administered by the Small Business Administration (SBA). This program provides low interest, long-term loans to qualifying entities that have been negatively impacted by COVID-19.

Who is eligible?

In general, small businesses, independent contractors, and certain non-profits with fewer than 500 employee are eligible to apply to the EIDL program. There are certain exceptions for certain industries that would allow them to have more than 500 employees, so you can check your eligibility at www.sba.gov/size-standards/.

Where can you get this loan?

You can apply for this loan directly through the SBA. You can do this online at sba.gov/disaster, inperson at your local SBA office, which you can find at www.sba.gov/local-assistance/find, or by mail to the Small Business Administration Processing and Disbursement Center in Fort Worth, Texas.

What can you use the loan for?

Loans can be used to pay fixed debts, make payroll or for other accounts payable due to COVID-19.

How much can you borrow and what are the terms?

These loans can be made up to \$2 million dollars with terms up to 30-years. The interest rates for small businesses are 3.75% and 2.75% for non-profits.

What will I need to apply?

You will need to complete a two-page application (SBA Form 5), a tax authorization document (IRS Form 4506T) and a personal finance statement (SBA Form 413). Additional information might be requested for more complex businesses or those seeking a higher loan amount.

How long will it be from the time I apply to when I receive my loan?

The current average processing time at the SBA is 2-3 weeks to get a loan decision. Once the loan is approved, the loan disbursement will be made to the small business owner within 5 days.

Can I get an advance on my Economic Injury Development Loan?

Yes. Businesses can apply for a \$10,000 loan advance to provide immediate economic relief for those who are currently experiencing a temporary loss of revenue. Funds will be made available within three days of a successful application, and this loan advance will not have to be repaid.