

ATTENTION SELF-EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS AND GIG WORKERS

You ARE eligible for Unemployment Benefits under the CARES Act

- The CARES Act provides unemployment benefits through the Pandemic Unemployment Act (PUA), which expands the pool of potentially eligible Claimants as follows:
 - Individuals who file a 1099
 - Self-Employed Individuals
 - Church Employees
 - Independent Contractors
 - Gig Economy Workers
 - Claimants who have exhausted their regular UI Benefits
- The CARES Act also provides for:
 - Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC), which allots \$600.00 weekly in Emergency Increase in Unemployment Compensation Benefits.
 - Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) will provide up to 13 additional weeks of benefits to those who have already exhausted their standard state UI benefits of 20 weeks

Press release: ***The Applications Process for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Begins Today*** - https://dew.sc.gov/docs/default-source/press-releases/pua-self-service-live.pdf?sfvrsn=164d2e65_0

If you have any questions, please contact the
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