



Emergency Funds & Financial Resources

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The **UnLocal** team will be hosting a webinar on benefits for undocumented workers.

Please follow us on IG [@UnLocalinc](#) for the latest information on date and time.

We invite our working community to stay informed about their rights. Workers in NYC are covered by many labor and employment laws, regardless of immigration status. To stay informed visit [NYC Consumer Affairs - Worker Rights](#) (offered in 20 languages including some indigenous languages)

- Visit [ACCESS NYC](#) to find out if you are eligible for different types of assistance. There are over 30 programs you or your family may be eligible for **regardless of immigration status** and even if you're already receiving benefits or have a job.
- [NYSYLC Emergency Funds for Undocumented Youth and Families](#) - If you are in need of assistance and would like to apply to the relief fund, please email info@nysylc.org
- [Betancourt Macias Family Scholarship Foundation, Emergency Funds](#) - The Betancourt Macias Family Scholarship Foundation is launching a GoFundMe fundraiser to raise funds to support undocumented families and individuals during these times of crisis. Please click [here to fill out the survey](#).

Hospitality Industry

- [RAISE Undocu Workers Fund](#) - To support undocumented workers in the service industry who will not be able to apply for unemployment benefits. This fund will be distributed to undocumented persons working at restaurants in Manhattan & Brooklyn. If you are in need of emergency funds email undocuworkersfund@gmail.com. Eligibility requirements: (1) be undocumented, (2) work in food service industry in Manhattan or Brooklyn, (3) unable to work due to corona-related mandates, (4) have a venmo account or have access to a venmo account through someone you trust. For more info, visit [here](#).
- [ARAR Emergency Funds for People in the Hospitality Industry](#) - This relief fund is set up to get funds to as many applicants as possible as quickly as they are able to raise them. ARAR is distributing \$500 relief grants to anyone in the hospitality industry, dishwasher, bartender, server, busser, chef, cook, sommelier, manager, host, concierge, cleaning staff, or barback may apply for funds [here](#)
- [Restaurant Workers Community Foundation Relief Fund](#) - Emergency relief for restaurant workers. To apply: click [here for English application](#) & [aqui para Espanol](#)
- [Bartender Emergency Assistance Program](#) - Eligibility requirements: (1) must be a bartender or the spouse or child of bartender; (2) experience a catastrophic event of emergency hardship that is identifiable; (3) proof of identification; (4) proof of employment; and (5) last paycheck stub. For more information access the application [here](#)



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Other Industries

- [Emergency COVID Relief for Sex Workers in New York](#) - If you work in this industry, are in need of assistance, and would like to apply to the relief fund, please email brooklynswoop@protonmail.com
- [NYC Covid19 support for Black Folks in NYC](#) - This fund is providing financial support, quarantine supplies or any other corona virus related needs for black folk. Click [here](#) to fill out the form.
- [Abolitionist Mutual Aid Fund for Incarcerated Comrades](#) - If you know someone incarcerated click [here](#) to get them commissary funds for soap and supplies.
- [National Domestic Workers Alliance Emergency Fund](#) If you are a domestic worker, text RELIEF to 97779 to get updates from NDWA, and find out when the Coronavirus Care Fund applications are ready. **Español** - Si usted es una trabajadora del hogar, envíe la palabra ALIVIO por texto al 97779 para recibir informes de la ANTH, incluyendo una notificación cuando estén disponibles las aplicaciones para solicitar asistencia de emergencia del Coronavirus Care Fund.

Bills Assistance

- [Message from ConEdison](#): During this incredibly challenging time, we know you're counting on your power. We are not expecting any interruptions of your service because of the coronavirus (Covid-19). Please know you will not lose your power now because you're having trouble making payments.
 - Your service will not be shut off for non-payment.
 - Waiving new late-payment fees.
 - Suspending no-access fees if we can't read your meter.
 - No fees for making payments with credit cards or debit cards.
 - Suspending fees for refusing smart meter installations
 - Most customers can arrange for payment extensions and agreements online through [My Account](#)

Potential Financial Relief Through Proposed Legislation

- If the new bill proposal to send \$1200 to EVERY tax payer in America goes through, this would also allow undocumented individuals who filed their taxes with an ITIN to receive the money (including DACA). We encourage all undocumented clients to file for an ITIN and file their taxes for this very reason.



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Other Emergency Funds and Financial Resources for people with Employment Authorization

- Visit [Department of Labor](#) to apply for Unemployment Insurance or call **(800) 833-3000**
- Visit [ACCESS HRA](#) to apply for cash assistance or Medicaid.
- Visit [ACCESS HRA](#) If your work schedule was reduced as a result of the coronavirus and you are unable to pay your rent, you can apply for a Cash Assistance special grant request to get benefits for emergencies.
- Visit [Home Energy Assistance Program \(HEAP\)](#) to apply for the home energy assistance program grant.
- Call *New York Disaster Interfaith Services* (NYDIS) at **212-669-6100**, Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm; Emergency "life safety" financial assistance for under-resourced households with a direct impact.
- New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) residents that experience a loss of income may qualify for a rent reduction. Households that have experienced a complete income loss may qualify for the [Zero Income Policy](#) - Call the Human Resources Administration **718-557-1399**, Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.