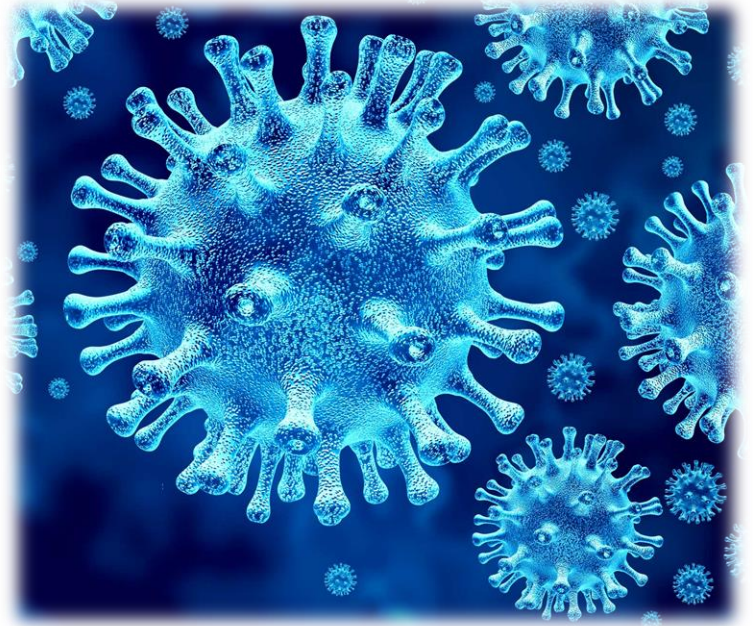


COVID-19 Ventura County Business Recovery Update

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Ventura County Highlights

- The preliminary estimate indicates 22% unemployment in Ventura County for April 2020.
- There is a large increase in client registrations for business consulting and in loan applications for EDC and WEV.
- EDC and WEV are actively seeking additional loan capital.
- A list of Spanish/English bilingual translation service providers has been identified with contact information for local partners.



Headlines

- Take a look at the [Small Business Owners Guide to the CARES Act](#) (Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security) signed by President Trump on March 27.
- The California Labor Secretary issued a [directive](#) to streamline the processing of Unemployment Insurance payments.
- Governor Newsom's [Executive Order](#) establishes statewide **eviction moratorium** for any residence or dwelling unit – Applies through May 31. Landlords may not evict tenants and courts and sheriffs are prohibited from enforcing eviction notices.

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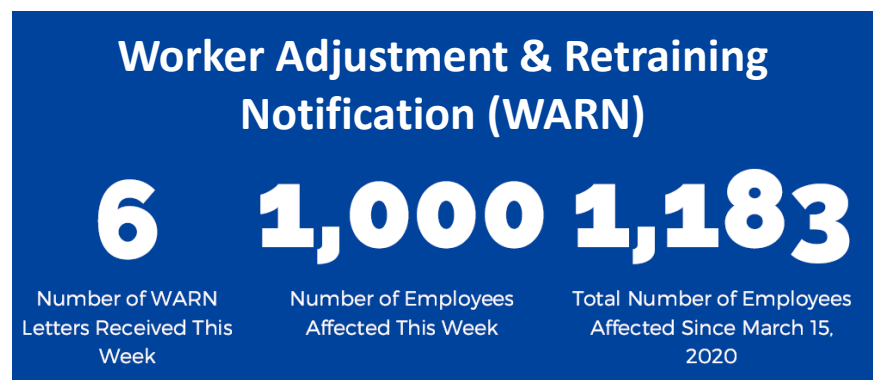
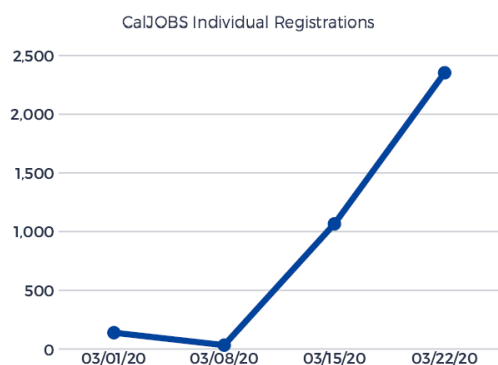
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Business Service Provider Sector (EDC, WEV, Chambers)

- The Economic Development Collaborative (EDC) has 100 current COVID-19 business clients.
- EDC has 235 potential clients waiting for appointments.
- EDC has had 170 requests for quick response loans.
- Women’s Economic Ventures (WEV) has received 40 applications for quick response loans (Ventura & Santa Barbara County).
- WEV has recorded over 70 assistance calls and hosted an SBA EIDL/Emergency funding webinar with over 120 attendees.

Workforce Service Provider Sector (WDB, AJCC)

- Our WDB [Workforce Wednesday show](#) this week featured Bruce Stenslie from EDC and Mary Navarro Aldana from EDD. Listen for information on Unemployment claims and Business Services.
- CalJOBS individual registrations has increased exponentially – see chart below
- 6 WARN notifications received – 1,183 employees affected



Government (County, Cities)

- Do you have questions about the [Stay Well at Home emergency order](#)? The [FAQ](#) on VC Emergency is updated daily to clarify common questions about the order.
- A **list of business types that may continue to operate** during this time can be found in FAQ – Question number 05: “What are essential activities and what businesses that will stay open?”
- To **report a non-essential business that stays open** during the Stay Well at Home order call the Ventura County Sheriff’s non-emergency line at 805-654-9511.
- The County and local Cities are educating and providing guidance for local businesses. Each jurisdiction is evaluating methods to increase awareness and compliance. Education on best practices for social distancing during operations for essential businesses is ongoing.

Links to Partner Websites and Resources:

- [VC Emergency](#) website for County news and resources. Including a section for [Business and Workers](#).
- [Economic Development Collaborative](#) - Small Business Development Center (Ventura County) – Offering business consulting and loans.
- [Women’s Economic Ventures Ventura County](#) – Offering business consulting and loans.
- CalJOBS is an Internet-based virtual job center where all job seekers participating in employment services are registered. CalJOBS gives businesses and employers access to thousands of job seekers and tools to facilitate hiring and employment. In Ventura County, our local portal to CalJOBS can be found at our local [America’s Job Center of CA](#) website.

Chambers of Commerce Coronavirus Resources: Business Resources, FAQ’s, What our Community is Doing

- [Camarillo Chamber](#)
- [Greater Conejo Valley Chamber](#)
- [Ojai Valley Chamber](#)
- [Oxnard Chamber](#)
- [Santa Paula Chamber](#)
- [Simi Valley Chamber](#)
- [Ventura Chamber](#)

Stay Informed with What’s Happening in Your City:

- [City of Camarillo](#)
- [City of Fillmore](#)
- [City of Moorpark](#)
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