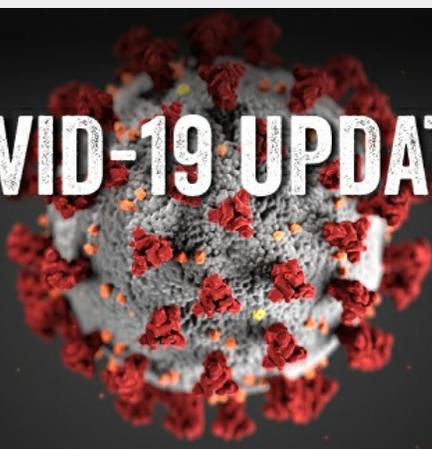


# COVID-19 UPDATES & INFORMATION



## Special Notice to Dublin Businesses

July 10, 2020

### Let's Eat, Dublin!

In March, the City created the #DublinEats social media campaign to promote awareness of Dublin restaurants offering to-go and delivery service. Now, community members are being encouraged to show their support for Dublin restaurants by participating in a #DublinEats promotion. Community members who post about 10 meals from 10 different Dublin restaurants can win a \$25 gift card! Meals can be ordered to-go, for delivery, or outdoor dining (where applicable) from any restaurant in Dublin.

The posts on Facebook or Instagram must tag the restaurant, include the hashtag #DublinEats and a unique photo of the meal. Community members then email screenshots of their posts to the City, who will distribute the gift cards. This limited-time promotion will end once all the gift cards have been claimed.

If you are a Dublin restaurant, please:

1. Review your listing on the [#DublinEats webpage](#) and email us with any changes or updates.
2. Consider donating gift cards to the City - The gift cards will be used as prizes and will bring community members back to your business. Businesses providing gift cards will be mentioned by name in some of the promotions during the campaign.
3. If you are active on social media, use the hashtag #DublinEats in social media posts about your restaurant and use one of the graphics below to announce your participation in the campaign. Click on the images below for high-resolution versions you can download.

Questions about the #DublinEats promotion, or to donate gift cards can be sent to Suzanne Iarla at [dublineats@dublin.ca.gov](mailto:dublineats@dublin.ca.gov).



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## Reminder:

### COVID-19 Resources for Small Businesses Webinar

**Tuesday, July 14, 2020**

**10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Join the City of Dublin and the Dublin Chamber of Commerce for a free business webinar with the Alameda County Small Business Development Center (SBDC) on Tuesday, July 14, to hear about the Paycheck Protection Program forgiveness loan application, the free services offered by the SBDC to local small business owners, and other resources for impacted businesses. As part of the registration form, you will have the option to submit questions in advance.

Register at [online](#).



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# COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

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**#ShopSafeShopLocal**

The State of California recently announced a new campaign, #ShopSafeShopLocal, encouraging Californians to support small businesses in their communities as they make modifications to protect public health and help our state's diverse neighborhoods thrive. Running through July, the campaign is a call to action to help all California small businesses operate safely amid the COVID-19 pandemic and grow their digital footprints.



As part of this campaign, the State has launched a new website that connects California's small business owners to critical tools and resources, including links to:

- Free consulting, in 31 different languages, from California's network of small business centers
- Resources and offers from partners to help businesses operate safely and build a digital footprint
- Latest state industry guidance and county variances
- Personal protective equipment (PPE) through [SafelyMakingCA.org](https://www.safelymakingca.org), California's new PPE marketplace
- A free digital media toolkit for small businesses and partners

For more information, visit [business.ca.gov/shopsafeshoplocal](https://business.ca.gov/shopsafeshoplocal).

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## Small Business COVID-19 Relief Tax Provisions

The CARES Act established two federal tax provisions to assist businesses:

- Employee Retention Credit for Employers Subject to Closure or Experiencing Economic Hardship
- Delay of Payment of Employer Payroll Taxes

Additionally, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act provided a federal tax credit for sick leave or expanded family and medical leave paid by employers for reasons related to COVID-19.

Recently, the Flexibility Act changed some provisions to allow businesses that received a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan to be eligible to defer deposit and payment of the employer's share of Social Security tax until Dec. 31, 2020, regardless if the PPP loan is forgiven.

*Information about these three programs is included below.*

For more information, visit the IRS [website](#).

### Employee Retention Credit

The Employer Retention Credit program provides a refundable payroll tax credit for 50 percent of wages paid by eligible employers to certain employees. There is no application form; Eligible employers report total qualified wages and related health insurance costs for each quarter on their quarterly employment tax returns or Form 941 beginning with the second quarter.

Note: The Employer Retention Credit is not available to employers who received assistance through the Paycheck Protection Program.

For more details, visit this IRS [webpage](#).

## Deferral of Payment of Employer Payroll Taxes

Employers can defer the deposit and payment of the employer's share of Social Security tax that would otherwise be required to be made during the period beginning on March 27, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020. Self-employed individuals may defer the payment of 50% of the Social Security tax on net earnings from self-employment income imposed under section 1401(a) of the IRS Tax Code.

For more details, visit this IRS [webpage](#).

## Families First Coronavirus Response Act Tax Credit

If your business is required under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) to pay "qualified sick leave wages" and/or "qualified family leave wages" AND you have fewer than 500 employees, you may be entitled to claim a federal tax credit for paid sick leave or expanded family and medical leave for reasons related to COVID-19.

The credits cover 100% of up to 10 days of the qualified sick leave wages and up to 10 weeks of the qualified family leave wages (and any qualified health plan expenses allowable to those wages) that an Eligible Employer paid during a calendar quarter (for leave taken beginning on April 1, 2020, and ending on December 31, 2020), plus the amount of the Eligible Employer's share of Medicare taxes imposed on those wages. The refundable credit is applied against certain employment taxes on wages paid to all employees.

Eligible Employers will claim the credits on their federal employment tax returns (e.g., Form 941, Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return), but they can benefit more quickly from the credits by reducing their federal employment tax deposits. If there are insufficient federal employment taxes to cover the amount of the credits, an Eligible Employer may request an advance payment of the credits from the IRS by submitting a Form 7200, Advance Payment of Employer Credits Due to COVID-19.

For more about FFCRA paid sick leave and expanded family and medical leave entitlements, visit the U.S. Department of Labor's [website](#).

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## Intuit Aid Assist Offers Free Online Tax Credits Estimator

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Intuit Aid Assist offers a free, easy-to-use estimator to help business owners understand tax credits they may be eligible for. The Tax Credits estimator includes relief available through the Employee Retention Credit (ERC), emergency paid sick leave, and the family and medical leave credit. The tool also includes the Social Security employment tax

deferral, which can help improve business cash flow.

To access the Intuit Aid Assist tool, visit their [website](#).

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## We Are Here for You

The City of Dublin appreciates our business community and remains committed to being your source for reliable and accessible information and resources.

In addition to the COVID-19 [Business Impacts webpage](#), we have compiled a COVID-19 [Business Resource Guide](#) (PDF updated 5/15/2020). Be sure to also visit the City's [COVID-19 webpage](#) with up-to-date information and resources about the pandemic.

The Economic Development Division team is available via [email](#) or by calling 925-833-6650. Language assistance is available over the phone by request.

The Dublin Business News Update is a bi-monthly publication highlighting the latest news and events affecting the business community. For more information or assistance, please contact Economic Development via email, [economic.development@dublin.ca.gov](mailto:economic.development@dublin.ca.gov), or phone: (925) 833-6650.

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