

Emergency Manager's Weekly Report's Federal Shutdown Assistance Guide

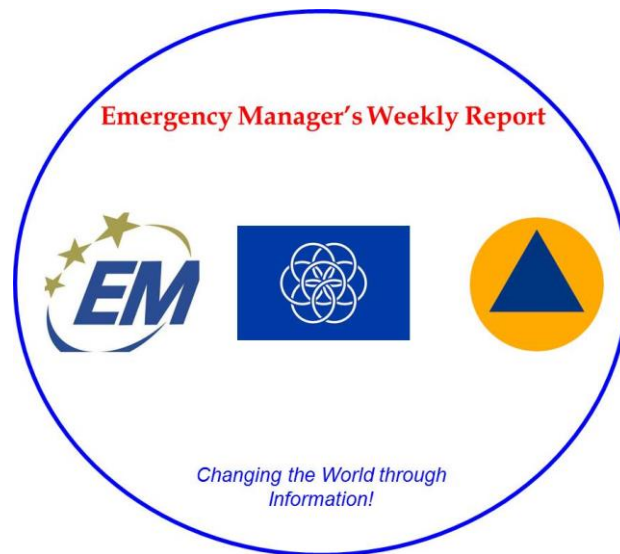


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General Information

U.S. Office of Personnel Management Shutdown Furlough Guidance

<https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/furlough-guidance/#url=Shutdown-Furlough>

American Federation of Government Employees

<https://www.afge.org/take-action/campaigns/stop-the-shutdown/>

National Federation of Federal Employees

<http://nffe.org/ht/display/ArticleDetails/i/168515>

U.S. Coast Guard Blog, Updates to the workforce from the vice commandant

<http://allhands.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2019/01/11/updates-to-the-workforce-from-the-vice-commandant/>

Financial and Credit Assistance

Loan Programs

- Democracy Federal Credit Union: <https://democracyfcu.org/>
- USAA: <https://www.usaa.com/>
- First Command: <https://www.firstcommand.com/>
- Navy Federal Credit Union: <https://www.navyfederal.org>
- Wells Fargo: <https://www.wellsfargo.com/help/government-shutdown>
- Alaska USA Federal Credit Union: <https://www.alaskausa.org/>
- Ally: <https://www.ally.com/>
- Alpine Bank (Colorado Residents Only): <https://www.alpinebank.com/>
- National Federation of Federal: www.feea.org/emergency
- Avadian Credit Union (Alabama Residents Only): <https://www.avadiancu.com/>
- Bank of America: https://message.bankofamerica.com/shutdown/?cm_sp=EBZ-BAC-Announcement--BACAnnouncement--AMT2SX3F01_SuperHighlights_Shutdown_Dec18_ctaGovtShutdown
- Chase Bank: <https://media.chase.com/news/chase-assists-during-government-shutdown>
- Citi:
https://online.citi.com/JRS/pands/detail.do?ID=USGovShutdown&JFP_TOKEN=8KE7R80P
- Congressional Federal Credit Union:
<https://www.congressionalfcu.org/loans/personal-loans/furlough-solutions>
- Credit Union One: <http://blog.cu1.org/protect-your-finances>
- Department of Commerce Federal Credit Union:
<https://www.docfcu.org/emergency-loan>
- Fed Choice Federal Credit Union: <https://www.docfcu.org/emergency-loan>
- Hebrew Free Loan Association of Greater Washington:
<https://hebrewfreeloandc.org/emergency-loans-for-federal-employees/>
- SunTrust: <https://www.suntrust.com/>
- U.S. Bank: <https://www.usbank.com/about-us-bank/important-info.html>
- US Employees Credit Union: <https://www.myusecu.org/loans/personal-loans/government-shutdown-loans>

The United Way Coalition

United Way Worldwide today announced that it will lead the formation of the United for U.S. coalition, a joint effort by corporate partners, organized labor, the United Way network and nonprofits to assist furloughed federal workers and others impacted by the ongoing government shutdown. Additional details are available at:

<https://www.unitedway.org/the-latest/press/united-way-launches-coalition-to-help-those-impacted-by-government-shutdown#>

Coast Guard Mutual Assistance

They are providing information, guidance and financial assistance, to all Coast Guard Personnel. Complete details are available at:

<http://www.cgmahq.org/?fbclid=IwAR0jhcbU42cmFNsHiTIJ40YwuLZFeFPNz6mAW3AdUYIDioJSYk4nOrhcSLk>

Credit and Insurance Assistance

American Express: Assisting consumer, small business, and corporate card members who are affected by the shutdown by waiving late fees, return check fees, and future interest charges.

<https://global.americanexpress.com/contact-us>

Capital One Credit

<https://www.capitalone.com/contact/?alert=true>

Geico Insurance

https://www.geico.com/information/federal/shutdown/?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=social&utm_content=geico%26public+relations&utm_campaign=sprinklrorganic&linkId=62058140

Federal Benefits and Unemployment Assistance

Federal Benefits

Thrift Savings Plan Retirement Updates

<https://www.tsp.gov/whatsnew/Content/index.html#shutdown2>

Federal Long-Term Care Insurance Program

https://www.ltcfeds.com/news/special_messaging/messaging_gov_shutdown.html

Federal Benefits Programs:

- Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program: If you're enrolled in this program your coverage will continue during the government shutdown.
- Federal Flexible Spending Account Program: Depending on the length of the shutdown, your FSAFEDS payroll allotments may be suspended. Once your allotments are successfully restarted, any remaining allotments will be recalculated over your remaining pay periods to match your annual election amount.

Complete details at:

<https://www.benefeds.com/Portal/EducationSupport?EnsSubmit=shutdown&tab=general&ctoken=wb49oMuf>

Unemployment Assistance

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<https://www.usa.gov/unemployment>

State Unemployment Assistance

<http://www.careeronestop.org/localhelp/unemploymentbenefits/unemployment-benefits.aspx>

Food Assistance

Food Banks

- Feeding America Nationwide Food Banks: <https://www.feedingamerica.org/find-your-local-foodbank>
- Ample Harvest: <http://ampleharvest.org/find-pantry/>
- Food Pantries: <https://www.foodpantries.org/>

Cultural Assistance

The National Parks Foundation is organizing support to help clean-up National Parks that remain opened and financial donations due to damages occurred during the shutdown. Complete details are available at:

<https://www.nationalparks.org/connect/blog/national-parks-during-government-shutdown>

Additional Resources

USDA Announces Plan to Protect SNAP Participants' Access to SNAP in February
<https://www.fns.usda.gov/pressrelease/2019/000319>

MIA travel tips in response to federal funding lapse
<https://news.miami-airport.com/mia-travel-tips-in-response-to-federal-funding-lapse/>

What Domestic Violence Programs and Shelters Need to Know About the Government Shutdown
<https://ncadv.org/blog/posts/what-domestic-violence-programs-and-shelters-need-to-know-about-the-government-shutdown>

How to Contact your Representative or Senator
<https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials>

Unpaid National Security Workers Ramp Up Shutdown Pressure
<https://mailchi.mp/law/cns-morning-brief-unpaid-national-security-workers-ramp-up-shutdown-pressure?e=809e798106>

United Way Launches Coalition to Help Those Impacted by Government Shutdown
<https://www.unitedway.org/the-latest/press/united-way-launches-coalition-to-help-those-impacted-by-government-shutdown>

Federal Shutdown Assistance Twitter Feed
<https://twitter.com/hashtag/FedShutdownHelp?src=hash>