

DC Unemployment Assistance

The Federal CARES Act was signed into law March 27, 2020. The Act provides Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) to D.C. Residents

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How to Apply in DC? (FOLLOW THESE TWO STEPS)

FIRST, file for regular unemployment benefits before completing the PUA application

Information Needed for Claiming

Unemployment Benefits:

[Regular Unemployment Application](#)

- x Your social security number;
- x Alien Registration Number, if not a US Citizen;
- x Your DD214, if you are ~~ex~~military;
- x Your Standard Form 8 or Standard Form 50, if you are a former federal employee;
- x Severance pay information if you did or will receive severance pay;
- x Pension information if you are receiving a pension payment);
- x Evidence of a public health emergency impact (if applying due to the coronavirus (COVID19) public health emergency).
- x Documentation may include:
 - x A letter documenting a voluntary request or involuntary order to isolate or quarantine from a medical professional or local health official
 - x A note from your medical provider or medical records office recommending isolation or quarantine
 - x A selfdetermination that the Department quarantine guidance applies to you

SECOND, file a PUA Application

You may need to provide additional supporting documentation about your work and income history, the DC Department of Employment Services will review documentation including but not limited to:

- x tax returns;
- x paycheck stubs;
- x bank receipts;
- x ledgers;
- x contracts;
- x invoices; and/or
- x billing statements

[PUA Application](#)

