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Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)

What does this mean?

- You have become unemployed as a direct result of a major disaster

How do you qualify for Disaster Unemployment Assistance?

- You lost your job due to the disaster
- You live in or work in a disaster area
- Your place of employment was damaged or closed
- You were scheduled to start work but the job no longer exists
- You cannot work because of a disaster incurred injury

How do you Apply?

- To apply for DUA, visit dew.sc.gov and click “MyBenefits Login” in the first circle of the homepage to apply for DUA. If you need assistance, please call 1-866-831-1724. You must apply for DUA by Monday December 2, 2024. Be prepared to provide proof of employment to SC DEW.

What's next?

- Your application will be reviewed for eligibility, and you will be notified in writing whether you have been approved, denied, or additional information is needed to process your claim. If you are denied for DUA, you must file an appeal in writing within 60 days of the mailing date on the denial letter. Appeals can be filed by mail, by fax, or through the online portal on SC DEW's website. If you file an appeal, you must keep a copy of the appeal for your records and proof that it was sent to SC DEW.

Examples of Proof of Employment:

- Pay stubs
- Most recent State and/or Federal Income Tax return
- Profit and loss statement (for self-employed individuals)
- Any other proof of earnings you may have in the last 18 months



Legal Aid Disaster
Resource Center

LADRC.org

How do you request payments?

- You can request that payments be made directly to your personal bank account or to a prepaid debit card. You may choose your preferred method of payment when you submit your initial claim.

South Carolina Legal Services – Apply for services by calling 1-888-346-5592 or online at www.lawhelp.org/sc/online-intake– www.sclegal.org

