

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. If I'm laid off can I apply for unemployment benefits?

A. Yes. Under State of California law, an employee who is laid off is generally eligible to receive unemployment benefits.

Q. Where do I go to file for unemployment benefits?

A. Unemployment benefits are administered by the State of California Employment Development Department (EDD). EDD provides several options for filing claims: on-line, by telephone or via paper application. You can obtain more information about the EDD filing process by going to their website at <http://www.edd.ca.gov>.

Q. How much am I eligible to receive in unemployment benefits?

A. Once EDD approves your claim, they will calculate your weekly unemployment benefit. The amounts range from a minimum of \$40 to a maximum of \$450 depending on your prior earnings.

Q. How long can I collect unemployment benefits?

A. The maximum collection period is typically 26 weeks but the federal government sometimes extends that collection period during periods of acute economic distress. EDD can provide you information regarding how long you will be eligible to collect under current rules.

Q. Do I need to obtain any information from the City in order to file an unemployment claim?

A. No. You will need to provide EDD with the date of your separation from service and reason for separation. However, to expedite processing of your claim, for the return address you can indicate the address for the City's third-party-administrator for unemployment claims:

Unemployment Services LLC
P.O. Box 749000
Arvada, CO 80006

Q. Where can I go for additional information regarding filing an unemployment claim?

A. You can obtain more information by going to the State of California EDD website at <http://www.edd.ca.gov>.