

# Business SBA PPP Loan Forgiveness Application Questions & Answers

#### **Disclaimers**

- Information continues to be clarified and subject to change
- We are not providing legal advice
- We offer general ideas & considerations, but each organization's situation is different

## Loan Forgiveness Application

- Loan Forgiveness Application, including certifications, and instructions
- Schedule A and instructions
- Schedule A Worksheet and instructions
- Documents to submit with application
- Demographic information form (optional)

#### **Covered Period**

 Eight-week period starting on the date the loan funds are received

#### OR

- Alternative payroll covered period
  - Payroll period must be weekly or biweekly
  - Period begins on first day or the first pay period after receiving the loan funds

- Table 2 applies to employees receiving an annualized rate of return of more than \$100,000 for *any* pay period in 2019.
  - Example: Bi-weekly payroll

Employee receives a raise in November 2019 and salary per each payroll is now \$3,900

\$100,000 / 26 pay periods = \$3,846

Employee reported in table 2

- Cash compensation includes gross salary, gross wages, gross tips, gross commissions and paid leave not covered by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA)
- Cash compensation cannot exceed \$15,385 for an employee

- Average FTE
  - Calculated for covered period or alternative payroll covered period
  - Calculated as average hours paid per week divided by
    40 (i.e. 30 hour average / 40 = .8, rounded)
  - Alternative calculation is to assign
    - 1.0 employees working 40 hours or more per week
    - 0.5 employees who work fewer than 40 hours per week

- Salary/hourly wage reduction
  - Only applicable for employees whose salaries or hourly wages were reduced by more than 25% during the covered period or alternative payroll covered period as compared to period of 1/1/20 through 3/31/20
  - If applicable 3 steps to follow in Schedule A Worksheet instructions for the applicable employees

#### Schedule A

- Lines 1 through 5 from the Schedule A Worksheet
- Lines 6 through 8 based on amounts paid
  - Health insurance
  - Retirement plans
  - State and local employer taxes
- Line 9 is not applicable
- Line 10 total of payroll costs

#### Schedule A

- Line 11 FTE during chosen reference period (uses same FTE method as Schedule A Worksheet)
- Line 12 total FTE from both Schedule A Worksheet tables
- Line 13 calculation or FTE Safe Harbor of 1.0

### **FTE Calculations**

- Are calculated for multiple periods
  - 8 weeks of covered period, or alternative payroll covered period (line 12 Schedule A)
  - Selected reference period (line 11 Schedule A)
    - 2/15/19 to 6/30/19
    - 1/1/20 to 2/29/20
    - (Seasonal only) any 12 week consecutive period between 5/1/19 and 9/15/19
  - Payroll period that includes 2/15/20 (safe harbor)
  - Period 2/15/20 through 4/26/20 (safe harbor)
  - 6/30/20 (safe harbor)

#### **FTE Reduction Relief**

- Employee declines employer's good-faith, written offer to rehire the employee during the covered period
- Employee terminated for cause
- Employee voluntarily resigns
- Employee voluntarily requests and receives a reduction of hours

#### FTE Safe Harbor

- FTE Reduction Safe Harbor applies if both conditions are met
  - Organization reduced its FTE employee levels in the period beginning February 15, 2020 and ending April 26, 2020
  - 2. Organization restored its FTE employee levels by not later than June 30, 2020 to its FTE employee levels in the pay period that included February 15, 2020

## Loan Application

- EIDL advance amount and EIDL application number required
- Line 1 is payroll costs from Schedule A
- Lines 2 through 4 are non-payroll costs
  - Mortgage Interest
  - Rent
  - Utilities

## **Loan Application**

- Lines 5 through 7 are the FTE and salary/wage reduction calculation. Amounts used are from Schedule A.
- Lines 8 through 10 are potential forgiveness
  - Total from calculations included FTE and salary/wage reductions
  - PPP loan amount
  - Maximum loan amount for reported payroll costs being 75% of the forgiveness

#### Resources

- COVID-19 Resource Center -<a href="https://www.wegnercpas.com/wegner-resources/covid-19/">https://www.wegnercpas.com/wegner-resources/covid-19/</a>
- Summary of COVID-19 Resources for NFP -<u>https://www.wegnercpas.com/covid-19-news-and-resources-for-non-profits/</u>
- AICPA resources and calculator
- https://www.aicpa.org/interestareas/privatecompaniespracticesection/qualityservicesdelivery/sba-paycheck-protection-program-resources-for-cpas.html

#### Thank You!

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