

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, EmployBR Centers were closed to the public effective March 19, 2020 until further notice. EmployBR is committed to providing services to East Baton Rouge Parish residents during these uncertain times. For inquiries regarding WIOA services, EmployBR can be reached via phone at (225) 358-4579 or via email at [EmployBR21@BRLA.GOV](mailto:EmployBR21@BRLA.GOV).

## Need Support with Unemployment Benefits

- Visit the Louisiana Workforce Commission’s Webpage at [www.laworks.net](http://www.laworks.net)
- Visit the Louisiana Workforce Commission’s Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/LouisianaWorks/](https://www.facebook.com/LouisianaWorks/)

## Filing for Unemployment

Louisiana workers impacted by COVID-19 may be eligible for benefits if they have:

- Been laid off
- Had their hours reduced
- Been mandated to stay home

Individuals can file a claim at [www.louisianaworks.net/hire](http://www.louisianaworks.net/hire) or by calling the LWC Claim Center at 866-783-5567. For faster self-service options, please visit [www.louisianaworks.net/hire](http://www.louisianaworks.net/hire). A step-by-step instruction video for filing a claim can be found on the LWC Facebook page.



**OPEN, FILE, RECEIVE**  
Open Initial Claim > File Weekly Certification > Receive Benefits

**WEEK 1**

- Jane files her initial unemployment benefits claim on Monday
- Jane files her weekly certification on Friday, before the Sunday deadline
- Jane receives her benefits

**WEEK 2**

- AGAIN, Jane files her weekly certification on Friday, before the Sunday deadline
- Jane receives her benefits

**EVERY WEEK AFTER**

- Jane continues to file her weekly certification while she is unemployed
- Jane continues to receive her benefits

- Please Note: Individuals WILL NOT receive benefits if they do not file their weekly certification after opening their claim.
- Weekly certifications can be filed at [www.louisianaworks.net](http://www.louisianaworks.net) or by calling (866) 783-5567 (Deadline to complete - Saturday at 11:59 p.m.)
- The weekly job search requirement has been suspended until further notice.