

# Filing for Unemployment Benefits

**How do I apply for unemployment?** You can apply online at <http://unemployment.ohio.gov> or via phone at 1-877-644-6562 or TTY 1-614-387-8408. The phone lines are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, but state officials recommended filing online if you are able.

## You will need:

- Your Social Security number
- Driver's license or state identification number
- Your name, address, telephone number and email address
- The name, address, telephone number and dates of employment for each place you worked in the past six weeks.
- The reason you became unemployed.
- Dependents' names, Social Security numbers and dates of birth
- If you are not a U.S. citizen, your alien registration number and expiration date
- Your regular occupation and job skills
- If you worked out of state or for the federal government, you might need a DD-214 member 4 copy (military service) or SF-8 or SF-50 form (for federal government employment)

**Who is eligible?** You are eligible if you were required to be isolated or quarantined by a medical professional, local health authority or employer because of COVID-19, the disease caused by the novel coronavirus. You do not need to actually be diagnosed with COVID-19 to receive benefits.

**Am I eligible for benefits if I self-quarantine?** In most cases, no. Those who are working from home are not eligible for unemployment. If an employer required workers to stay home but did not offer an option to work remotely or online, the employees might be eligible for unemployment.

**How much financial assistance will I receive?** You are eligible for up to half of your average weekly wage over 20 weeks. Ohioans are eligible for a maximum of \$480 a week. You must have made at least \$269 a week to be eligible.

**For anyone needing additional support, please contact Crossroad's Family Coordinator, Jackie Hopkins, at (513) 375-3037.**

