



**COVID-19 Financial Survival Guide** 

In addition to being here for your Workers' Compensation and Social Security Disability claim needs, we also wanted to provide some information that might help you during these trying times.

Here are some options:

**File for UNEMPLOYMENT** if you have recently lost your job or had your hours reduced. You can file online at **edd.ca.gov**. The maximum weekly benefit rate is \$490 and it is taxable. It can last up to six months. The amount and length of time could change based on the proposed federal stimulus package. Be sure to mention your employment was impacted by Covid-19.

**File for STATE DISABILITY** if you have a physical or mental condition that prevents you from working. You can file at **edd.ca.gov**. The maximum weekly benefit rate is \$1252 and it is not taxable. It can last up to 12 months.

**File for WORKERS' COMPENSATION** benefits if you have a physical or mental condition caused or aggravated by your employment. You can file even if you have been laid off or fired. The cause or aggravation can be due to a specific incident at work or due to repetitive or cumulative trauma at work. It covers orthopedic conditions like back problems, carpal tunnel, plantar fasciitis, etc. *Workers's Compensation also covers internal issues like exposure to COVID-19 at work*, blood pressure issues, heart issues, cancer, etc. In addition to a non-taxable weekly benefit rate of up to \$1299.43 you may also be eligible for medical care, school retraining and a disability award. Call us now for a free no obligation consultation. What you put on the initial paperwork is extremely important in helping determine if you will receive benefits. We offer a free consultation with a no recovery - no fee guarantee. Call us today at 951-244-1776.

**File a WORKERS' COMPENSATION DEATH** claim if the worker's condition causing death was related to any degree to his or her employment. The maximum potential benefit is \$320,000. Call us for a Free no obligation consultation at 951-244-1776.

**File for SOCIAL SECURITY RETIREMENT**. Before filing for Social Security retirement consider filing for unemployment or state disability or a Worker's Compensation claim. Usually, the longer you wait to collect Social Security retirement the higher the monthly rate will be.

**File for SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY**. However, due to the five month waiting period and the up to two year delay in having your case heard if you were not immediately approved you should consider also filing for state disability and Worker's Compensation benefits.

Are you a Union Worker? Take a moment to contact your union representative so you can maximize any leave benefits you may need.

You or someone you know may need assistance to get through this. We are here. Call anytime - even this weekend at 951-244-1776.

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