UNEMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS

**UI**
- Filing for Unemployment Insurance (UI) is the first step for affected workers
- Now available for up to 26 weeks (the state of Kansas temporarily extended benefits from 16 to 26 weeks for claimants who filed Jan 1, 2020 or later)
- File online at www.GetKansasBenefits.gov

**PEUC**
- Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) is a federal extension of benefits of 13 weeks for those who have exhausted UI
- Available from March 29, 2020 through Dec. 26, 2020
- After their claim has a zero balance, claimants can apply online at www.GetKansasBenefits.gov

**EB**
- Extended Benefits (EB) was triggered on June 7, 2020
- Provides up to an additional 13 weeks of benefits
- Available only after PEUC is exhausted
- Apply online at www.GetKansasBenefits.gov

**PUA**
- Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) expands access to unemployment by including those who traditionally cannot access unemployment (such as self-employed, independent contractors, gig workers, employees of religious organizations, and those who lack sufficient work history or have been disqualified for state benefits)
- Available for up to 46 weeks from February 2, 2020 through December 26, 2020
- To receive PUA, you cannot be eligible for UI, PEUC, or EB and your unemployment must be due to COVID-19
- Apply online at www.PUA.GetKansasBenefits.gov

**LWA**
- Lost Wages Assistance (LWA) is funded by FEMA to provide $300 per week to supplement unemployment benefits to eligible claimants
- Available for any claims for the weeks ending Aug. 1, 2020 through Sept. 5, 2020; payments will be retroactive
- To be eligible, claimants must self-certify that they were unemployed or partially unemployed because their work was directly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and must have a weekly benefit amount of at least $100
- To self-certify, claimants need to log in to www.GetKansasBenefits.gov where they will be directed to answer the LWA self-certification question; this only needs to be done once

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