BROKERING THROUGH THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC:





2021 CRITICAL SBA LENDING UPDATES

How brokers can benefit from the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 (aka CARES ACT II)

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TEXT OF THE HOUSE AMENDMENT TO THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 133

[Showing the text of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021]

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate, insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021".

4 SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

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- Sec. 2. Table of contents.
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- Sec. 5. Statement of appropriations.
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- Sec. 7. Adjustments to compensation.
- Sec. 8. Definition.
- Sec. 9. Office of Management and Budget Reporting Requirement.

DIVISION A—AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND

DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONSACT, 2021

Today we'll cover the following important updates and their effects on the broker industry. We'll cover:

- Closing loans that include a P.P.P. loan, along with the newest updates to the program.
- Economic Injury & Disaster Loan program updates.
- 7(a), 504, and Express program changes.
- Our list of industries targeted and financed in today's environment.
- What you can do today to build your business!

P.P.P. Loans & Acquisition Closing Today

- Has the seller applied for forgiveness? Have they received forgiveness?
- Seller must set up an escrow account equal to the P.P.P. loan amount. Possibly with seller proceeds used from the closing.
- P.P.P. lender must have control of escrow account. Account **can** be held elsewhere.
- We do not expect lenders to be consumed by P.P.P. like they were during Round 1.

Securing Additional P.P.P. Funds Through March 31, 2021

- First time applicants can apply with no revenue drop requirements.
- Application deadline is March 31, 2021.
- Applicant must have used all prior P.P.P. funds.
- Must provide proof of 25% or more drop in revenue in any 2020 quarter compared to 2019 for Round 2.
- Employee retention remains for forgiveness.
- Maximum loan amount of \$2,000,000.

Securing Additional P.P.P. Funds Through March 31, 2021

- Simplified forgiveness application for loans below \$150,000.
- Expanded covered expenses may now include:
 - Supplier costs
 - Operational expenditures
 - Employee protection activities
 - Property damage costs (during 2020)
 - Specific group insurance

Economic Injury & Disaster Loan Updates

- Re-funded EIDL grant program (\$20 billion).
- Priority to LOW INCOME areas.
- If you received <\$10,000 grant, you could reapply for the balance.
 - Example: Received \$2,000 grant. Now eligible for an additional \$8,000
- Qualify if revenue dropped more than 30%.
- EIDL grant **NOT INCLCUDED** in P.P.P. forgiveness.
- Additional funding for new loans extended to December 31, 2021.

Controversial Verbiage Referencing SBA Payments (page 2153)

IN GENERAL. — Subject to the other provisions of this section, the Administrator shall pay the principal, interest, and any associated fees that are owed on a covered loan in a regular servicing status, without regard to the date on which the covered loan is fully disbursed, and subject to availability of funds, as follows:

"(A) With respect to a covered loan made before the date of enactment of this Act and not on deferment, the Administrator shall make those payments as follows: "(i) The Administrator shall make those payments for the 6-month period beginning with the next payment due on the covered loan.

"(C) With respect to a covered loan made during the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on the date that is 6 months after such date of enactment, for the 6-month period beginning with the first payment due on the covered loan.

UPDATE: (1/6) Only for loans APPROVED after February 1, 2021. Loans approved before receive no payments. We encourage everyone to contact their Congressional Representative and Senator to amend the text of the bill to include those borrowers.

UPDATE: (2/18) SBA has reduced the number of payments for all loans. Loans approved between 2/1/21 and 9/30/21 will received 3 months of payments (down from 6).

SBA Lending & Debt Relief Updates for 7(a), 504, and Express Lines of Credit (contingent upon availability of funds)

- All SBA fees are waived until September 30, 2021.
- Buyers will receive six three months of payments from the SBA on loans approved after February 1, 2021.
 - Maximum of \$9,000/mo.
- Current borrowers may now receive up to one year of payment deferment with justification (Previously six months).
- Borrowers that already received six payments will receive an additional three two payments. Hard hit sectors will receive more.
- SBA Express LOC has temporarily increased to \$1,000,000 through September 30, 2021. Will permanently remain at \$500,000 thereafter. (Previous limit was \$350,000)
- Lender's SBA guaranty increases to 90% (from 75%), but maximum loan amounts that will receive a 90% guaranty is \$4,166,000.

SBA Lending & Debt Relief Updates for "Hard Hit" Sectors (contingent upon availability of funds)

Certain borrowers in "hard hit" sectors will received an additional five three months of payments.

Sectors include (NAICS):

- 61- Educational Services
- 71 Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
- 72 Accommodation and Food Services
- 213 Support Activities for Mining
- 315 Apparel Manufacturing
- 448 Retail Stores
- 451 Retail Stores
- 485 Urban Transit Systems
- 487 Sightseeing Transportation
- 511 Newspaper, Book, and Software Publishers
- 512 Motion Pictures
- 515 Radio, TV, and Cable Broadcasters
- 532 Automotive Equipment Rental and Leasing
- 812 Personal Care Services

Industries We Are Seeing Less Affected By COVID-19

- Lumber and building suppliers
- Residential services such as: Spa's and pools, Tree services, Home construction and additions, Painting
- Security Services
- Plumbing, HVAC, Electrical
- In-Home health care providers
- Pawn shops
- CPA firms
- Exterminating and pest control
- Manufacturing

What Can You Be Doing Today With This Information?

- Contact all previous clients informing them of the three two additional payments.
- Contact all previous potential buyers informing them of the six three payments and fee waivers.
- Contact all potential sellers and listings explaining that buyers only have through September 30, 2021 to capitalize on incentives.
- Solicit listings on less affected industries.
- Assist all current listings to apply for P.P.P. loan forgiveness.
- Contact your "hardest hit" clients and share this information.

Have a question? Just ASK us!



The full line of COVID relief documents, including all official forgiveness applications, can be found at:



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