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Federal Coronavirus Relief Bill (CARES Act) **for Small Businesses**

The Santa Barbara Clerk-Recorder's office wishes to assist small business owners with the following information. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we are aware of several programs that are being offered through the US Small Business Administration (SBA) as well as Governor Newsom's recent announcement (see links below).

The specific programs offered through the Small Business Administration (SBA) are:

- 1) Pay Check Protect Program; (PPP);
- 2) Economic Injury Disaster Loan Emergency Advance program;
- 3) SBA Bridge Loans;

Information is found at the following link:

<https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options> .

Also, please find a link to Governor Newsom page: Help for Small Businesses.

<https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/04/02/governor-newsom-announces-new-help-for-small-businesses-workers-displaced-by-covid-19/>

In order to qualify for help with these loans, many businesses may find that lenders will require an active Fictitious Business Name Statement (FBN) filing with their local County Clerk-Recorder's office. In order to assist with this need, the Santa Barbara Clerk-Recorder will make every effort to process these requests within ten (10) business days. Please use the drop box* at both our offices or mail in the applications to Santa Barbara Clerk-Recorder, PO Box 159, Santa Barbara, CA 93102-0159.

*If using the **Santa Maria drop box**, the processing time will be longer than mailing your application directly as interoffice mail is only picked up twice a week. If your FBN filing is urgent, and you are in Santa Maria, processing time will be shorter if you mail your application directly to the Santa Barbara office for faster processing.