



TREASURER MICHAEL W. FRERICH'S SUPPORTING FEDERAL WORKERS DURING THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

FOR FEDERAL WORKERS

Due to the federal government shutdown, tens of thousands of federal employees have been left without a paycheck. In response, Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs has proposed an emergency linked deposit program to bridge the payment gap for federal employees. The Illinois State Treasurer's Office has committed \$50 million to this initiative.

FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WILLING TO HELP

Federal Workers Emergency Loan Program

The Illinois State Treasurer's Office is offering to partner with credit unions and community banks throughout Illinois to offer zero or low-interest loans to federal employees who qualify. Under the proposed Federal Workers Emergency Loan Program, federal employees could be eligible for an emergency loan through participating banks and credit unions beginning October 15, 2025.

Under this program, the State Treasurer's Office will make deposits at a discounted rate into approved participating financial institutions who will utilize the funds to provide zero or low-interest loans to federal workers impacted by the federal government shutdown. The State Treasurer's Office is prepared to offer capital to financial institutions at a rate as low as 0.01%.

The deposit rate will be determined in negotiations between the financial institution and the State Treasurer's Office. Specific loan terms and qualification standards for the borrower will be determined by the financial institution.

Financial institutions interested in participating in this program must be an Approved State Depository.

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For more information about the Federal Workers Emergency Loan Program, please call 217.558.6217 or visit: https://www.illinoistreasurer.gov/Individuals/Federal_Workers_Emergency_Loans