



BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY  
**DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE**

910 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60605

December 28, 1977

Dear Local Government Official:

In accordance with the recent amendments to the Illinois Unemployment Insurance Act, all local government entities will become part of the Illinois unemployment insurance system as of January 1, 1978. Under these amendments, unemployment insurance coverage, which provides temporary wage loss compensation against the hazards of unemployment, is extended to almost all local government employees.

Your immediate responsibility resulting from these amendments is the selection of one of two options for financing unemployment insurance by Tuesday, January 31, 1978.

The first option is the CONTRIBUTIONS METHOD, under which your local government entity pays contributions, or taxes, at the rate of 1% of the wages of each employee, up to a maximum of \$6,000.00 per employee per calendar year. This would represent a maximum of \$60.00 per employee per year. Wages are defined to include cash payments, other forms of compensation such as meals and lodging, and commissions, gifts, and bonuses.

The second option is payment in lieu of contributions or the REIMBURSEMENT METHOD, under which the local government entity reimburses, on a dollar for dollar basis, for any benefits paid by the State to the organization's former employees who meet the eligibility requirements of the law. These benefits can include both regular and extended benefits payments and could extend to a maximum of 39 weeks.

Should you select this option, the amount you would pay cannot readily be predicted. The amount of reimbursement would depend upon the number of your workers who become unemployed, the duration of their unemployment, the number of such workers who file claims for benefits and meet the eligibility requirements of the law, and the amount of the weekly and total benefits paid to them. Each local government entity, before electing this option, should examine its experience with labor turnover and should know something about the duration of unemployment of its separated workers before they find other work.

The enclosed forms, UC-1 (LG) (Report to Establish Liability), and UC-5 (LG) (Election to Reimburse Benefits), are the means by which you will indicate your choice of a method of unemployment insurance coverage.

If you select the Contributions Method, complete form UC-1 (LG) and return it to us by January 31, 1978.

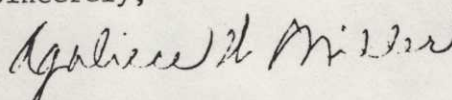
If you select the Reimbursement Method, complete both the UC-1 (LG) and the UC-5 (LG) and return them to us by January 31, 1978.

Failure to indicate your selection by the deadline will result in your entity automatically becoming a contributing employer.

Should you have any questions about these options, please contact Clarence Maxwell, Assistant Commissioner, at the above address, Room 1710, telephone (312) 793-4318.

Upon receipt of your completed forms, additional materials which explain the unemployment insurance system and forms in greater detail will be mailed to you. We also shall be conducting a series of unemployment insurance workshops throughout the State during the first three months of 1978. Please contact Mary Sautter Burke, Room 1724, telephone (312) 793-5323, if you would like to schedule a workshop in your area.

Sincerely,



AGALIECE W. MILLER  
UI Commissioner

Enclosures

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Bellwood, Illinois 60104

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WHEN	WHAT	WHO
Jan 31	Home, Life, & Auto Insurance Lecture	Joseph Carrigan
Feb 9	UFO Slides and Lecture	Sherman Larson
Feb 20	Auto Repair Abuse	George Jones
Feb 21	Magic	Craig White
Feb 27	Movie - "Bogart"	Humphrey Bogart
Feb 28	Theatrical Makeup	Mike Bacarella
Mar 2	Oriental Cooking Demonstration	
Mar 6	Handwriting Analysis	Marie Gerage
Mar 9	Clowns, and their makeup	Charles Speilman
Mar 14	Palmistry and Tarot Cards	Jackie Lewis
Mar 21	Low Cost Burials	Richard Stephens
Mar 23	Coping as a Single Person	Gene Sloan
Mar 27	Movie - "Stamping Ground"	Various Rock Groups
Apr 5	Kites	Joe Bugg
Apr 13	Movie - "Hollywood, the Selznick Years"	Cuts from "Gone With the Wind" and others
Apr 25	Movies - Magical Mystery Tour and the Beatles in Concert	The Beatles

All programs are: Free  
Open to the Public  
at 7 p.m.  
at the Bellwood Library  
600 Bohland Ave.  
Bellwood

Questions? Call Chris,  
547-7393

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~~RRØRØXØØ~~ HOLIDAY SCHEDULE - 1978

Mon.	Feb. 13	Lincoln's Birthday
Fri.	Mar. 24	Good Friday
Mon.	May 29	Memorial Day
Mon.	July 3	Independence Day Weekend
Tues.	July 4	Independence Day Weekend
Mon.	Sept. 4	Labor Day
Thurs.	Oct. 12	Columbus Day
Fri.	Nov. 10	Veteran's Day
Thurs.	Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Day
Mon.	Dec. 25	Christmas Day
Mon.	Jan. 1 (1979)	New Years Day

OPTION FOR FLOATING DAY

Fri.	Nov. 24	After Thanksgiving
	or	
Fri.	Dec. 22	Before Christmas

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Sat.	Sept. 2	Labor Day Weekend
Sat.	Nov. 11	Veteran's Day
Sat.	Dec. 23	Christmas Weekend
Sat.	Dec. 30	New Year's Weekend

ALL SATURDAYS IN JULY AND AUGUST

TOTAL DAYS - - 12

THIS IS THE SAME TOTAL DAYS AS IN 1977