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We do not know the precise date Judicial Branch employees will be placed in non-pay status. Currently, the projected date is Monday, January 28th. We recognize the undue hardship which you will face when non-pay status begins. For your consideration, we have compiled a list of resources and links to services which you may find helpful. This is not a comprehensive list, so we encourage you to contact any of your utility companies or creditors if you need assistance.

Financial/Bills:

The Office of Personnel Management has issued [sample letters](#) to creditors and lenders regarding late payments.

[Wells Fargo](#) is helping with late payment, fees, and reversals.

[First Dakota Bank](#) is offering a no fee, no interest, loan program to federal employees. They have over 15 [locations in South Dakota](#).

The [Credit Union Association of the Dakotas](#) website summarizes various offers to federal employees offered by Minuteman Federal Credit Union (Rapid City), Sentinel Federal Credit Union (Ellsworth AFB), Oahe Federal Credit Union (Pierre), and Black Hills Federal Credit Union (Rapid City).

[Bank of America](#) has setup a dedicated phone line to assist federal workers during the shutdown.

[Chase Bank](#) has also setup a special care line for federal employees with help with waiving fees, extending payment dates, and protecting credit scores.

[US Bank](#) (Branch in Pierre) is advertising loans for federal employees affected by the shutdown.

[Toyota](#) Financial Services is offering car loan payment relief.

Verizon told customers affected the company is "here for you," with options to keep their services running such a "promise to pay" program that let them pay later.

AT&T promised to adjust late fees and provide extensions as long as the shutdown is in effect.

T-Mobile and Sprint offer help in the form of payment deferrals, among other things.

Food/Services:

Media outlets have reported that [Feeding South Dakota](#) is working to offer food assistance to Federal employees. They have contacts in Pierre, Rapid City and Sioux Falls.

An [Argus Leader](#) article lists some local free meal and pet food offers.

KDLT reports that [Shahi Palace India Grill](#) is giving away free lunch to any federal employee that brings in their federal ID.