

Out of work because of the coronavirus? These businesses are hiring

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3of4Grocery delivery shopper Courtney Fox of Newark delivers Instacart orders to various homes in Palo Alto in mid-March. Instacart is hiring 300,000 workers. Photo: Jessica Christian / The Chronicle

With unemployment creeping towards staggering levels and Californians staying home because of government orders meant to stem the spread of the coronavirus, people are seeing their livelihoods threatened and facing the inability to work or layoffs. But some industries like delivery services and grocery stores along with some online companies and others are hiring. Here is a list of some of those businesses and where they are hiring:

Ace Hardware: Ace is hiring for more than 30,000 jobs across the U.S., including dozens of positions in the Bay Area. Part time-and full-time cashier and sales associate jobs are available as are warehouse positions and others.

Allied Universal: The private security company is hiring 30,000 security professionals and administrative staff over the next two months including about 300 positions in the Bay Area. Pay ranges from \$16.00/ hour to \$22.00/hour depending on the city and open jobs include for security professionals, client and account managers, site supervisors, and human resources, sales, finance and IT professionals.

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Amazon.com/Whole Foods: The e-commerce giant announced it is hiring an additional 75,000 workers after hiring 100,000 new full- and part-time positions across the U.S. to keep up with rising demand. The company is hiring more workers at its fulfillment centers and across its delivery network, and said it March it would increase pay by \$2 an hour for hourly employees at its warehouses, delivery centers and Whole Foods grocery stores.

AxleHire: The San Leandro delivery outfit is looking to hire 1,000 drivers in the Bay Area by the end of the year. Throughout California, it hopes to add 3,000 to 5,000 drivers, and 50,000 to 100,000 nationwide. The company is advertising hourly wages of \$30 to \$35 in the Bay Area. It requires applicants to be over 21 years old and to have a valid driver's license and an insured personal vehicle they can use.

CVS Health: The Rhode Island pharmacy and health care chain announced that it is hiring 50,000 people across the U.S. The company's careers page shows dozens of Bay Area openings for in-store jobs.

Farmstead: The San Francisco online grocery company is hiring drivers and warehouse staff. The company is looking to fill 30 additional positions.

G4S: The security company is hiring for 150 positions in San Francisco and is looking to hire 5,000 more employees nationwide. The company is hiring full-time security officers and site supervisors.

Good Eggs: San Francisco grocery delivery company Good Eggs is hiring staff in its West Oakland facilities, with the number of postings changing daily. The company is hiring warehouse associates, packers, prep cooks and delivery drivers and is focusing on hiring Oakland residents but is still accepting all applications.

Homebridge: The San Francisco nonprofit that trains and employs entry-level caregivers is hiring for more than 100 new and experienced in-home care providers. The positions start at \$18.50/ hour with part time or full time posting available.

Honor: The San Francisco home health aid company is hiring trained, licensed in-home caregivers throughout the Bay Area with a focus on the Peninsula and the South Bay. The company said it is hiring dozens of additional caregivers and that demand for caregivers far outpaces supply at the moment. The company directly employs caregivers north to Santa Rosa, east to Livermore and south to San Jose.

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Imperfect Foods: The San Francisco deliverer of produce and other foods is hiring 15 drivers and more than 25 warehouse workers. The company is primarily hiring operations associates in San Francisco but is also hiring the delivery drivers in San Francisco, Novato, Richmond, Sacramento and San Jose.

Instacart: The San Francisco grocery delivery company, which operates throughout the Bay Area and in cities nationwide, plans to hire 54,000 full-service shoppers in California, part of a hiring surge aimed at bringing on 300,000 new workers.

Juni Learning: The San Francisco educational technology startup is hiring university students for over 200 remote, part-time jobs teaching computer science and math to kids.

OnwardCA: The website has listings for 70,000 open positions and also provides resources for retraining and acquiring new skills.

Outschool: The San Francisco home-schooling company is hiring 5,000 remote teachers in the Bay Area and nationwide to teach K-12 as well as subjects like art, yoga, photography, and others in live online classes.

Raley's: The Northern California chain of supermarkets is hiring people to fulfill online orders, according to a post on LinkedIn. The company is hiring for its eCart service that allows customers to select items they want online, then pick them up or have them delivered. The company is hiring in Mountain View, Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, San Jose, Sacramento, Napa, Benicia and several other locations.

Rite Aid: The convenience store and pharmacy chain is hiring for 5,000 full time and part time positions nationally to meet increased demand during the pandemic, including cashiers, pharmacy technicians and distribution center workers. The company's website has dozens of positions available in the Bay Area.

Safeway: The grocery chain is hiring more than 2,000 workers to help restock empty shelves, as those concerned about the coronavirus and its effects have begun stocking up on supplies. The company has more than 165 Bay Area locations, where the majority of these jobs will be located. The openings are at Safeway, Andronico's, Vons and Pak 'N Save retail stores. The deli, meat, bakery,

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produce, fuel stations and customer service departments are hiring. The company is also looking for full- and part-time delivery drivers. The company recently signed a new contract with Northern California workers raising wages \$2 an hour.

Sonic: The Santa Rosa telecommunications and internet company is hiring all over the Bay Area. The company is hiring field installation and repair technicians, construction coordinators, and some network operations positions. The company lists five open positions on its [website](#).

Support.com: The Sunnyvale online tech support company is [hiring](#) for a “currently unlimited” number of remote jobs nationwide, including in the Bay Area. The roles include customer support, technical support, and call center support agents. Support.com offers tech support for both consumers and businesses.

U.S. Postal Service: The postal service has up to 1,000 [openings](#) in San Francisco, Oakland and San Jose, with demand for deliveries approaching Christmas levels. The agency is hiring city and rural mail carriers, clerks, custodians, mechanics, electronic technicians, and tractor-trailer operators.

Varsity Tutors: The online learning company is [hiring](#) 10,000 tutors and instructors to its online learning community. The roles are remote and tutors can earn from \$15/ hour to \$40/ hour depending on experience and subject matter while setting their own hours.

Walmart: The retail giant is hiring 150,000 temporary workers to keep up with demand.

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