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CALIFORNIA



California Restaurants are Spared a Possible Pork Shortage - At Least For Now

Thanks to a legal battle led by the CRA, pork producers will get more time to prepare to comply with Proposition 12, an animal welfare law passed by voters in 2018. The state has been slow to issue final rules to pave the way for compliance with this law, which holds sellers of meat accountable if new rules aren't followed by meat producers. The judge ruled last week that restaurants, retailers, and grocers won't be subject to enforcement until 180 days after the state issues final regulations.



Protect The Franchise Model

The California State Assembly has passed AB 257, a bill strongly opposed by the CRA, the International Franchise Association, local business groups, and organizations who represent local government. The bill now heads to the State Senate.

"Supporters of this proposal want to divide franchisees from their workers and suggest we are in conflict. But the small business owners I know consider our crew and managers as part of our extended family. We are invested in their success and want to provide opportunities for our workers through work and education, perhaps to become a business owner themselves someday. And we care deeply about creating a safe and healthy worksite for them every day." – CC Yin, California franchisee

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RELATED: California eyes giving 500,000

fast-food workers more power



Why single payer died in the California Legislature, again

A proposal to reshape the health care system in California died before it could even come up for a vote in the State Assembly this week. The proposal's chief supporter is the California Nurses Association and its chief opponents are the California Chamber of Commerce and health insurers, but the failure of the bill to move forward has lawmakers pointing fingers at each other.

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2021 Impact Report

Grants for F+B Workers

QUOTE
Thank you for being my angel and helping me during this awful time. Your donations allowed me to buy food. I can never thank you enough.
— Jose, RC grant recipient

Grants To:
80 food + beverage workers + 103 of their dependents

A Safety-Net for Life's Toughest Moments:

34% illness, 32% death in family, 13% accident, 8% housing disaster

Grants for Mom and Pop Restaurants

QUOTE
The Resilience Fund grant has been a lot of relief to my wife and the resources available to myself and my staff have been uplifting.
— The Miller's Table, mom and pop grant recipient

Grants To:
318 small restaurants + 1 year small business support service

About the Restaurant Owners:

54% avg. in business, 63% full service, 19% fast casual, 14% cafe, 3% fine dining

RESTAURANTS CARE



NEW in 2021!
We expanded our relief fund to all food and beverage workers in California (not just restaurants)

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Report

From providing stable housing, to buying baby formula, to helping make payroll, grants from Restaurants Care kept hundreds of people afloat. See our impact by the numbers.

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NATIONAL



National Restaurant Association Releases 2022 State of the Restaurant Industry Report

The nation's restaurants remain a driving force in the economy and an enormous contributor to job growth, but there are challenges ahead, including an increase in the number of people who are not eating at restaurants as often as they would like.

"The [National Restaurant] Association will continue to champion the necessary government support needed at the federal and local levels to help keep these businesses – cornerstones of our communities – on a path to better days," said Marvin Irby, Interim President and CEO



McDonald's to expand McPlant to about 600 U.S. stores in February

McDonald's will unveil a plant-based burger patty later this month to consumers in markets including the San Francisco Bay Area. The company first introduced McPlant two years ago outside the U.S. and it has since been unveiled in Austria, Denmark, the Netherlands, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

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of the National Restaurant Association.

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Long Beach, Restaurant & Cocktail Week is back!

Dine Out. Take-out. Don't Miss Out. The 7th annual Dine Out Long Beach, Restaurant & Cocktail Week is taking place February 18-28, 2022. Support the more than 50 participating restaurants with in-person dining, take-out or delivery.

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CRA NEWS



California Restaurant Association says omicron has been bad for business

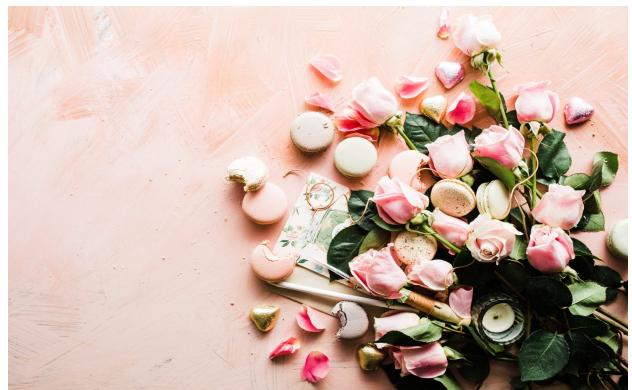
According to results of a new survey, 89% of restaurants polled experienced a decline in customer demand for indoor dining in recent weeks.

FULL STORY



Make a difference on policy that affects your business

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Valentine's Day Sweets For Your Sweetie

We can all agree that the best part of Valentine's Day is the delicious treats. That's what we all look forward to, right? And nothing is more romantic than surprising your valentine with a special dessert. Here are some of our favorite sweets from our

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9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

San Diego: ServSafe Food Protection Manager Certification

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FEB

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February 18 - 28, 2022

Dine Out Long Beach Restaurant Week

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MAR

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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San Diego: ServSafe Food
Protection Manager
Certification (SPANISH)

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APR

April 3 - 10, 2022

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