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worries um so just to let you all know

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this video is being recorded we do plan

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to share the video um on our website um

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and also send out the recording to all

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of you uh today we're here to share

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information about the federal public

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service loan forgiveness program which

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we will refer to as PSLF throughout the

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presentation uh we're going to cover

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tips and resources that you can use to

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share PSLF information with your

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employees and support them on the path

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to attaining student loan forgiveness

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the focus of the presentation is for

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local government employers which

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includes cities counties municipalities

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tribal government employers if you're

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joining us from a nonprofit organization

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or a state government agency please note

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that there is some additional

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information that you need to be aware of

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we have included a slide at the end of

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this PowerPoint with some additional

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resources for those two employer types

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uh additionally this is an an employer

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focused presentation not a borrower

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focused presentation we have a variety

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of resources and recordings available to

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student loan borrowers aka your

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employees on our website following the

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presentation you will receive a

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follow-up message with a link to the

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webinar video and the presentation slide

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deck which will include links that you

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can click on uh this information will

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also be posted to our student loan

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advocate web page throughout the

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presentation please type your questions

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using the Q&A function we will address

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them during the Q&A session at the end

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of the presentation um if we don't get

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to your question or you think of

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questions after the presentation uh you

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can actually email them to loan advocate

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uh wsac.wah.gov

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uh and we'll follow up with you and we

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have also included that email address

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later in the presentation uh we have

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left the chat function open for folks if

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you'd like to introduce yourselves to

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each other um and engage in dialogue um

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uh but please again if you have

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questions let's use the Q&A function so

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we can track those better

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we want to share a little bit about our

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work with the PSLF program so I serve uh

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as the Washington uh public service loan

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forgiveness advocate and I work within

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the office of the student loan advocate

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um over here at the Washington Student

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Achievement Council i provide advocacy

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and technical support for student loan

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borrowers who have questions or

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complaints related to uh their student

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loans and the PSLF program one of my

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primary goals is to further education

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about PSLF and remove barriers to

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accessing the program for residents in

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our state

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uh that includes providing support and

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education to PSLF qualifying employers

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who can have a really powerful role to

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play in the success of PSLF

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i'm joined today with two of my

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colleagues uh and I'll let my supervisor

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Jessica share a little bit more about

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her role

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thanks Amber hi everyone my name is

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Jessica Man Freddy and I am Washington's

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designated student loan advocate the

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Office of the Student Loan Advocate

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works directly with student loan

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borrowers to address complaints and to

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help borrowers navigate issues and

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identify resources such as the public

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service loans forgiveness program and as

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part of my role I also analyze and

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monitor laws and policies that can

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impact student loan borrowers at the

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federal state and local level and make

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recommendations as you know there's a

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lot of that going on right now a lot of

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um unfortunately not so great um you

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know legislation and and uh policies

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being proposed at the federal level so

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we're monitoring those and making sure

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that you know we're

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uh speaking on behalf of student loan

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borrowers that are being negatively

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impacted by those policies in hopes that

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they don't they don't come to fruition

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uh we also educate the public about the

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rights and responsibilities of student

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loan borrowers and I will go ahead and

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pass it over to Terry uh so she can

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introduce herself

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hello I am Terry Parker and I work in

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the state human resources division of

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the office of financial management in

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2022 Washington's legislature passed

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PSLF statutes and amendments to improve

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awareness increase access and remove

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barriers to the PSLF program for

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Washington's public service employees my

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position was created to support that

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work and uh my title is the PSLF policy

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and performance analyst and my

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responsibilities include providing

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information and direct assistance to

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state agency employers and their

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employees for the PSLF employment

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certification process as Jessica

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mentioned I also collaborate with my

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colleagues Amber and Jessica to provide

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PSLF resource materials and conduct

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outreach like this presentation

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great thank you both um so during our

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time together this afternoon we've got

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um time scheduled um up to 3:30 um we

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plan for the presentation to be roughly

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the first half and then we'll go you

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know up to 3:30 um well as long as we

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have questions so uh during our time

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we're going to discuss how the federal

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PSLF program works and where you as

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employers or representing your employers

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fit into the process requirements uh

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we'll talk about how PSLF can be

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leveraged as a tool for recruitment and

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retention and we'll share tips on uh

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helping your employees access the PSLF

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program such as uh sharing notifications

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with their employees with your employees

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um completing certification requests

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tracking data um and suggested um uh

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records retention if needed so um

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also and primarily we're going to share

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some resources for you as well as for

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your employees

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so what exactly is PSLF um you may have

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heard about it you maybe you've already

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um signed forms for your employees in

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the past but we'll give you kind of a

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baseline here so the PSLF program was

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established in 2007 to incentivize

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talented individuals to make long-term

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commitments to public service after

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their education and to recognize the

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importance of serving your our

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communities the public service loan

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forgiveness program is a federal program

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so it's not a state program it's a

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federal program that forgives the

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remaining balance on direct loans after

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a borrower has made 120 qualifying

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monthly payments which is at least 10

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years of payments under a qualifying

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repayment plan while working full-time

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for an eligible public employer um

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that's a mouthful we'll cover a little

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bit more um and most particularly we'll

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be focusing on on your role as employers

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in that process um please note that we

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we might use the term employees or uh

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student loan borrowers we'll use those

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terms potentially just interchangeably

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um uh for our purposes today um with the

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program the federal government is

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essentially saying in exchange for uh

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student loan borrowers serving the

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public by uh taking government or

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nonprofit jobs where there's a public

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need um that they will in turn lighten

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their financial load after meeting their

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um certain conditions um so

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understanding the PSLF program and how

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to navigate earning forgiveness is vital

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to helping public servants achieve

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student loan forgiveness in addition to

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providing financial wellness for their

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families it's meaningful recognition for

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their dedicated service to helping

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people in our state

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for student loan borrowers PSLF requires

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the following four criteria that we've

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noted on this slide first is the right

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kind of employment so all government

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employment is eligible this includes

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federal tribal state city county and

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municipal employers all 501c3 nonprofit

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entities are eligible along with other

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nonprofit entities that provide certain

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uh qualifying public services um as you

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can see employment with local government

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meets that very first criteria the right

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type of employment uh student loan

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borrowers also need the right type of uh

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student loan the right type of repayment

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plan and the right number of payments

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detailed information about the PSLF

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program and uh these four criteria can

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be found on the federal student aid

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website um that we'll link in our

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resources at the end of the presentation

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as Jessica alluded to uh a little bit

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ago uh you might have heard that there's

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um different things that are happening

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and that the federal government is uh

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maybe reviewing possible changes to the

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program we understand that that you or

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your employees may have concerns or

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questions um we do have template notices

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that we're going to cover later in the

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presentation that um invites borrowers

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to visit at the US Department of

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Education Federal Student Aid website to

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get the kind of latest information um

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but right now it's critical to note that

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there haven't actually been any changes

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to the program in recent months um so

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nothing has changed from what it was

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prior to January 2025 um so um please

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keep that in mind and um we know that

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there are concerns but things are are

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still the same as they were

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now let's talk a little bit more in

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detail about what is considered

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qualifying employment for PSLF

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employment for PSLF needs to be an

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average of at least 30 hours a week this

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can be one full-time public service job

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or perhaps uh multiple part-time jobs

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that meet that 30-hour per week uh

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minimum threshold as long as their um

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employment both their employments meet

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uh or with excuse me are with qualifying

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public service employers um uh and that

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this is an average across their

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employment for a particular time period

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generally a borrower must be directly

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employed by the qualifying public

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employer as a W2 employee this means

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that most contractors will not qualify

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the only exception is if a contractor is

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prohibited by state law to be a direct

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employee of the public service employer

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when we say public service employer

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again that just means any level of

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government or nonprofit organization

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uh the role or position held for the

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public service employer does not matter

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um what matters is that the employer

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itself is qualifying as a public service

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employer

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um we also want to note that borrowers

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do need to be employed um by their

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public service employer at the time that

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they apply for forgiveness after they

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meet the program requirements so at the

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end of their um 10-year 120 qualifying

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payments

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mentioned this earlier but just as a

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note um all nonprofits with a 501c3 tax

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exemption are considered qualifying

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public employers nonprofits with other

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tax statuses might also be qualifying it

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depends on kind of the percentage of

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their full-time employees dedicated to

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providing specific qualifying public

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services in specific areas um we do have

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a link on this slide um for folks that

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might be here from a nonprofit um that

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you can click on to learn a little bit

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more about what those qualifying public

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services are

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okay and I'm going to pass that over to

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Jessica

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thanks Amber so as a manager myself I

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understand the challenges of recruiting

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and retaining unique you know employees

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and their unique knowledge skills

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abilities that are needed to accomplish

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the really hard public service work that

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we do every day so I invite you to

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consider PSLF to be used as a free and

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lowcost strategy to boost your

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recruitment and retention efforts

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let's take a moment to experience PSLF

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from the perspective of some Washington

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public service employees

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shelley Wisti from the Employment

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Security Department um here at

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Washington State shares that forgiveness

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is life-changing it makes it possible

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not to just survive but to prosper jim

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Coffee who works at the nonprofit Cowitz

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Family Health Center shares that this is

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a burden that has long waited to be

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relieved and allows me to save loan

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payments for my retirement

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and then finally Aaron Reigns shared her

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perspective as a training and

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development supervisor with the

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Department of Children Youth and

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Families the positive impact PSLF has on

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staff can improve the quality of life

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for people who work in a very demanding

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field it also enables a higher retention

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rate for agencies

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we also have collected data in a 2024

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survey of Washington student loan

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borrowers employed at public service

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employers which includes all the

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categories that we discussed earlier

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there were more than 1,600 responses to

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the survey 47% of the survey respondents

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indicated that the promise of earning

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forgiveness through PSLF affected their

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decision to begin working in the public

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sector and even more revealing is the

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fact that 65% of the survey respondents

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said that the promise of student loan

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forgiveness influence their decision to

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stay in public service for at least 10

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years and these results suggest that the

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opportunity to achieve loan forgiveness

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through the PSLF program supports

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recruitment efforts and especially

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effective in retaining employees with

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the student loan with student loan debt

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we shared this to highlight the value

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and the importance of advertising PSLF

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as an employee benefit and to

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demonstrate that you as an employer play

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a key role in helping your employees

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access this life-changing benefit which

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is the PSLF program

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and then the data in this slide further

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illustrates the P that PSLF draws

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candidates due to public service because

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of the impact of the student loan debt

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in our state and the opportunity for

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PSLF to improve the financial wellness

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of public service employees carrying

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student loan debt so in June 2024 Axios

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reported that the total outstanding

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student loan debt in Washington was

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\$28.7 billion

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representing over \$780,000 federal

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student loan borrowers who have an

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average of \$36,800

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of student debt that they're carrying

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now as of October 2024

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22,10

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student loan borrowers in Washington so

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a very small percentage of that right um

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which shows that there's a lot more

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people that can be reached through this

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program in Washington had received a

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total of 1.52 billion in student loan

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forgiveness through the PSLF program

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this is an average of loan forgiveness

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of \$69,000 per borrower

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so we know that the PSLF program draws

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candidates to public service jobs

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however we have found that employers

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often overlook the program as a

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recruitment and retention tool pslf can

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enhance recruitment efforts as student

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student that loads rise people are

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attracted to public service to take

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advantage of this benefit it can also

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draw candidates with jobrelated

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knowledge skills and behaviors that are

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attained through their education it can

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improve the employ the employee

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retention because as we noted earlier

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this is actually by the design of the

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program it requires you to stay 10 years

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in in public service employment so

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longevity in public service is a

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requirement for the employer to for the

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employee to actually get student loan

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discharge it can also improve the

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employee engagement and work life

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balance by relieving some of the stress

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that is often associated with high

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student loan debts loads and we hear

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about those that stress every day as as

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loan advocates here so by helping your

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employees through this program you

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really are making I'm I'm I'm not sugar

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coating life-changing

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um work for for for your employees and

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the value of PSSLF to you obviously as

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an employer is that all of these

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benefits are available with very little

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effort and are essentially to no cost to

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your organization because the

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forgiveness comes from the federal

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government right

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i just want to real quick Jessica and

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Terry just highlight how amazing it is

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um that employees have access to this um

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you know if you think you know that

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average debt load that students have was

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around what 30 35,000

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um can you imagine like that being a

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just the benefit that you receive for

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doing your job right like it's it's a

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big deal

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it's a lot more than an employer could

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ever offer in terms of you know any kind

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of reimbursement opportunities true

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so thank you Jessica and thank you Amber

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um PSLF is truly amazing and um almost

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an unimaginable benefit so now let's

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explore a little bit about how our um

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participants as an employer can support

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your employees in accessing PSLF

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so we have found um through the work

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that we do that there are four actions

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employers can take to improve access and

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remove barriers to the PSLF program and

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these come from both our 2024 survey

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results as well as the experience that

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we've each had helping borrowers over

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the years so the first step is to

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designate a PSLF point of contact and

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that person or a group of people would

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certify employment second is to share

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PSLF information with your employees on

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a regular basis third is to post PSLF

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contact information on internal and

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external websites and fourth and very

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importantly to advertise that you are a

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PSLF qualifying employer so now let's

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investigate these steps a little deeper

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so employees are often confused about

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how to submit their PSLF employment

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certification forms who should sign it

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so a really important first step is to

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get a program in place within your staff

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to help support this effort and the

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there are two key designations that

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should be made first of all who will be

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the point of contact for completing

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forms second is what email address

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should employees use to submit their

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form and we'll talk a little bit more

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about both of these

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according to federal student aid an

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authorized individual is anyone in your

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organization who has access to and is

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authorized to review employment

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information about your employees such as

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dates of employment you can appoint one

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or more staff members to serve in this

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role and while state or sorry that's

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where I come from while HR staff are

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typically assigned to this role anyone

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can be appointed as an authorized

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official who meets that definition

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you need to review the completion

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process with your design and also

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explain any records retention

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requirements

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next slide

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establishing the email address that

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employees will use to submit um PSL PSLF

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certification forms is really critical

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we'll go into depth about the actual

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form and process itself but just know um

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most forms will come to you via email

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and I often as a a state agency support

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get emails that have been submitted to a

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a working mailbox just because people

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didn't know where else to send it and so

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if possible use a general email address

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such as an HR mailbox or other email

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address that will ensure messages are

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not missed due to staff absences or

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staffing changes and ensure of course

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that your designated point of contact

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has access to that email address

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employees can submit PSLF forms to an

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employer in two ways the preferred

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option is for the borrower to complete

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the form digitally on the studentaid.gov

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website using the PSLF help tool this

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tool allows employees and employers to

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digitally sign the PSLF form using

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document forms are processed most quickly

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using this method and to do that the

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employee will need your employee

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identification number or EIN and the

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PSLF contact email that they should use

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and both of that information gets

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entered by them into the PSLF help tool

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that uh the federal student aid system

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then um will forward the form to the

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employer to be digitally signed and it

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also returns the form using the PSLF U

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help tool and then that is submitted by

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FSA for automatic processing we'll share

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a link that explains to employers how to

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tackle the PSLF form as an employer um

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including some helpful tips employees

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can also submit a paper form or a PDF to

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the employer for signature this option

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requires the borrower to take an

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additional step to either mail fax or

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upload the um the manual form to their

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FSA uh student aid account and if this

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option is used you as the employer will

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also want to encrypt the elect any

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electronic communications to protect the

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employees confidential personally

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identifiable information

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i'll just make a note too we've got a

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lot of links on the slides they're

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provided together at the end of the

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presentation and they'll be accessible

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through the copy of the slide deck that

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will be posted

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so this shows um this slide shows

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what it looks like when a student

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borrower is in their studentaid.gov

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account and accessing the PSLF help tool

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and this is an employer search tool so

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we shared already that local government

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organizations are qualifying employers

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and there are no exclusions to that

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however it's possible that your

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organization's information is not

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included in the federal student aids

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employer search database or that the

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information could be incorrect so a

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proactive step you can take is to check

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and see that your organization is listed

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as a PSLF eligible employer using the

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employer search tool you don't have to

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have an account to do that and we have

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provided links so the first step you

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would take is to enter your

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organization's federal employee

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identification number or EIN and then

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some mock um employment information so

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you could even use today's date as a

560

00:25:06,159 --> 00:25:13,480

date um in there and then click on the

561

00:25:10,080 --> 00:25:13,480

search button

562

00:25:14,480 --> 00:25:20,640

so this slide shares what it looks like

563

00:25:17,520 --> 00:25:22,720

if your information is already known so

564

00:25:20,640 --> 00:25:25,120

we are showing how the student

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00:25:22,720 --> 00:25:28,000

achievement council is an eligible

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00:25:25,120 --> 00:25:30,960

employer and then we've also provided an

567

00:25:28,000 --> 00:25:33,679

example of an ineligible result this was

568

00:25:30,960 --> 00:25:37,039

a search a while ago for the Washington

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00:25:33,679 --> 00:25:39,600

Wine Commission it's a state agency and

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00:25:37,039 --> 00:25:43,120

at that point in time it was erroneously

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00:25:39,600 --> 00:25:44,720

noted as ineligible in the database so

572

00:25:43,120 --> 00:25:47,720

we just want to show you what that looks

573

00:25:44,720 --> 00:25:47,720

like

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00:25:48,240 --> 00:25:55,360

so once you've confirmed uh the status

575

00:25:52,000 --> 00:25:57,120

of your organization if it's eligible

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00:25:55,360 --> 00:26:00,000

great this means your employees can

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00:25:57,120 --> 00:26:03,679

submit electronic PSLF forms with no

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00:26:00,000 --> 00:26:06,880

issues um again we'll review uh that

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00:26:03,679 --> 00:26:08,640

form in more detail in a future slide if

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00:26:06,880 --> 00:26:11,520

your organization shows up as anything

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00:26:08,640 --> 00:26:14,559

else so the options are ineligible

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00:26:11,520 --> 00:26:16,559

undetermined or not found your employee

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00:26:14,559 --> 00:26:19,600

will need to submit additional

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00:26:16,559 --> 00:26:21,840

documentation along with their PSLF form

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00:26:19,600 --> 00:26:24,799

so another way to proactively help your

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00:26:21,840 --> 00:26:26,720

employees is to know this in advance so

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00:26:24,799 --> 00:26:28,960

that you can help them gather the

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00:26:26,720 --> 00:26:30,799

documentation that they need and let

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00:26:28,960 --> 00:26:32,720

them know what to expect when they're

590

00:26:30,799 --> 00:26:35,840

submitting their information and

591

00:26:32,720 --> 00:26:40,080

examples of the required documentation

592

00:26:35,840 --> 00:26:42,320

are a W2 statement the state or local

593

00:26:40,080 --> 00:26:44,159

statutes that establish your

594

00:26:42,320 --> 00:26:46,960

organization as a government

595

00:26:44,159 --> 00:26:50,400

organization and documentation of your

596

00:26:46,960 --> 00:26:52,880

organization's federal uh employer ID

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00:26:50,400 --> 00:26:56,640

number or um employee identification

598

00:26:52,880 --> 00:26:58,799

number so once a form is approved FSA

599

00:26:56,640 --> 00:27:01,360

will change your organization status to

600

00:26:58,799 --> 00:27:04,640

eligible and I do want to share that

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00:27:01,360 --> 00:27:06,640

that this can be it's it takes a while

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00:27:04,640 --> 00:27:10,000

for this to happen if you have to go

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00:27:06,640 --> 00:27:11,840

through that process what happens after

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00:27:10,000 --> 00:27:13,760

the documentation is submitted is

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00:27:11,840 --> 00:27:16,640

financial student aid reviews the

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00:27:13,760 --> 00:27:19,600

employees PSLF form and the submitted

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00:27:16,640 --> 00:27:22,000

documentation and once it gets approved

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00:27:19,600 --> 00:27:25,679

they automatically change the status in

609

00:27:22,000 --> 00:27:28,720

the employer search tool to be eligible

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00:27:25,679 --> 00:27:30,720

and from that point forward any other

611

00:27:28,720 --> 00:27:33,120

submissions for your organization will

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00:27:30,720 --> 00:27:35,360

be processed automatically

613

00:27:33,120 --> 00:27:38,480

currently there is no way for an

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00:27:35,360 --> 00:27:40,799

organization to proactively notify

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00:27:38,480 --> 00:27:43,200

Federal Student Aid of its eligibility

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00:27:40,799 --> 00:27:45,679

it is only done through this employment

617

00:27:43,200 --> 00:27:47,840

certification process but the one

618

00:27:45,679 --> 00:27:50,400

proactive step you can do is to see

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00:27:47,840 --> 00:27:53,120

whether you're eligible or not so that

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00:27:50,400 --> 00:27:57,679

you can help your employees um through

621

00:27:53,120 --> 00:27:59,520

that process and um also please make

622

00:27:57,679 --> 00:28:01,600

sure that your employees know what the

623

00:27:59,520 --> 00:28:04,080

employee identification number is i have

624

00:28:01,600 --> 00:28:06,159

to say I've talked with employers people

625

00:28:04,080 --> 00:28:08,000

in the HR office who don't know what

626

00:28:06,159 --> 00:28:10,159

their employee identification number is

627

00:28:08,000 --> 00:28:12,960

it's a common item when you're

628

00:28:10,159 --> 00:28:14,799

processing payments or contracts it's

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00:28:12,960 --> 00:28:18,399

really common for the payroll team to

630

00:28:14,799 --> 00:28:20,880

know um the EIN but for me I'd have to

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00:28:18,399 --> 00:28:23,360

go find my W2 statement or my tax form

632

00:28:20,880 --> 00:28:25,279

to figure that out for myself so putting

633

00:28:23,360 --> 00:28:27,440

that information on the website is

634

00:28:25,279 --> 00:28:30,240

important and now Amber will share a

635

00:28:27,440 --> 00:28:31,919

little bit more about that

636

00:28:30,240 --> 00:28:35,039

yeah and I just want to clarify it's the

637

00:28:31,919 --> 00:28:37,760

employer identification number that um

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00:28:35,039 --> 00:28:41,760

uh federal employer so not employee um

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00:28:37,760 --> 00:28:44,240

just make sure to clarify um uh and I

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00:28:41,760 --> 00:28:46,559

will say so if you you know as a

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00:28:44,240 --> 00:28:49,760

representative of your employer go on to

642

00:28:46,559 --> 00:28:51,600

the search tool put in the EIN search

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00:28:49,760 --> 00:28:53,760

the dates and it comes up with one of

644

00:28:51,600 --> 00:28:56,799

those you know ineligible undetermined

645

00:28:53,760 --> 00:28:58,320

not found um if you're not sure kind of

646

00:28:56,799 --> 00:28:59,679

what the next steps are you're also

647

00:28:58,320 --> 00:29:02,240

welcome to reach out to us for

648

00:28:59,679 --> 00:29:03,840

assistance so please know you know we're

649

00:29:02,240 --> 00:29:05,760

providing this information but we're

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00:29:03,840 --> 00:29:08,760

also a resource for you as well as for

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00:29:05,760 --> 00:29:08,760

borrowers

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00:29:11,919 --> 00:29:16,159

all right so now that your employees

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00:29:14,320 --> 00:29:18,720

know that you're a PSLF qualifying

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00:29:16,159 --> 00:29:21,039

employer um it's important for you to

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00:29:18,720 --> 00:29:23,279

share that with them um that someone is

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00:29:21,039 --> 00:29:25,440

available at your organization uh to

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00:29:23,279 --> 00:29:28,720

sign their PSLF employment certification

658

00:29:25,440 --> 00:29:30,480

forms on a regular basis um I know you

659

00:29:28,720 --> 00:29:31,919

know sometimes we say PSLF form

660

00:29:30,480 --> 00:29:34,080

sometimes we play say employment

661

00:29:31,919 --> 00:29:37,200

certification form or PSLF employment

662

00:29:34,080 --> 00:29:40,000

certification form it's all the same um

663

00:29:37,200 --> 00:29:41,520

different uh uh kind of colloquial

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00:29:40,000 --> 00:29:44,640

language has been used throughout the

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00:29:41,520 --> 00:29:46,720

evolution of the form um so um you know

666

00:29:44,640 --> 00:29:48,080

we think of it as PSLF form with bars

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00:29:46,720 --> 00:29:49,840

but when we're talking with employers we

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00:29:48,080 --> 00:29:53,039

think of it as employment certification

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00:29:49,840 --> 00:29:55,919

form so um but it's all one and the same

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00:29:53,039 --> 00:29:58,320

um with that said so it's uh helpful for

671

00:29:55,919 --> 00:30:00,720

you to include your PSLF uh

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00:29:58,320 --> 00:30:05,440

certification point of contact on your

673

00:30:00,720 --> 00:30:08,799

employee uh benefit web pages um

674

00:30:05,440 --> 00:30:10,559

also so um providing regular PSLF

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00:30:08,799 --> 00:30:12,880

information to your employees has a

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00:30:10,559 --> 00:30:14,880

couple different benefits um you know

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00:30:12,880 --> 00:30:16,880

well-informing employees of this vital v

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00:30:14,880 --> 00:30:18,480

vital benefit available through your

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00:30:16,880 --> 00:30:21,039

employment it also provides the

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00:30:18,480 --> 00:30:23,919

opportunity for employees to tell family

681

00:30:21,039 --> 00:30:26,320

and community members about the program

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00:30:23,919 --> 00:30:28,799

uh we found that word of mouth and

683

00:30:26,320 --> 00:30:31,919

personal connections are often really

684

00:30:28,799 --> 00:30:34,000

crucial in helping borrowers access the

685

00:30:31,919 --> 00:30:35,760

program or learn about the program or

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00:30:34,000 --> 00:30:38,000

you know hear about it or hear maybe oh

687

00:30:35,760 --> 00:30:41,600

someone else is pursuing it maybe it's

688

00:30:38,000 --> 00:30:43,440

something that I should look into um our

689

00:30:41,600 --> 00:30:46,000

team has actually created uh some

690

00:30:43,440 --> 00:30:48,320

notifications to assist you in sharing

691

00:30:46,000 --> 00:30:50,240

about the PSLF program they're meant to

692

00:30:48,320 --> 00:30:54,240

be as a a starting point that can be

693

00:30:50,240 --> 00:30:56,799

modified to fit your um organization uh

694

00:30:54,240 --> 00:30:58,960

brand or communication style um the next

695

00:30:56,799 --> 00:31:01,039

slide has uh the links to these

696

00:30:58,960 --> 00:31:03,200

templates um but I did want to note

697

00:31:01,039 --> 00:31:05,120

before I kind of review those templates

698

00:31:03,200 --> 00:31:07,200

that we are in the process of updating

699

00:31:05,120 --> 00:31:09,840

them uh and kind of streamlining

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00:31:07,200 --> 00:31:12,480

streamlining them um we do plan to send

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00:31:09,840 --> 00:31:15,360

out an email to those that are on our uh

702

00:31:12,480 --> 00:31:19,159

PSLF employer uh email list when those

703

00:31:15,360 --> 00:31:19,159

new templates are ready

704

00:31:21,200 --> 00:31:26,080

so here we have four different um

705

00:31:23,760 --> 00:31:28,880

suggested notices and and um these

706

00:31:26,080 --> 00:31:30,880

notice B notices actually stem from um

707

00:31:28,880 --> 00:31:32,399

requirements that state agencies have

708

00:31:30,880 --> 00:31:35,840

for sending out these notices to

709

00:31:32,399 --> 00:31:38,720

employees and so we have um adjusted

710

00:31:35,840 --> 00:31:40,559

what is sent out to state employees to

711

00:31:38,720 --> 00:31:43,360

uh be a little bit more broadly

712

00:31:40,559 --> 00:31:46,240

applicable to um local government and

713

00:31:43,360 --> 00:31:48,159

nonprofits so um each of these four

714

00:31:46,240 --> 00:31:50,720

notices appear similar but they have

715

00:31:48,159 --> 00:31:53,760

different messaging depending on where

716

00:31:50,720 --> 00:31:58,080

an employee is at in their employment uh

717

00:31:53,760 --> 00:32:00,080

and in their PSLF journey so um let me

718

00:31:58,080 --> 00:32:02,640

go ahead and just review each of them so

719

00:32:00,080 --> 00:32:04,480

we have a PSLF annual notice we

720

00:32:02,640 --> 00:32:07,760

recommend sharing this letter with your

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00:32:04,480 --> 00:32:10,799

employees on an annual basis and also

722

00:32:07,760 --> 00:32:14,080

anytime that PSLF regulations change and

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00:32:10,799 --> 00:32:16,880

that is because employees are encouraged

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00:32:14,080 --> 00:32:18,880

to certify their employment annually to

725

00:32:16,880 --> 00:32:21,519

continue to make progress and continued

726

00:32:18,880 --> 00:32:23,919

eligibility for PSLF

727

00:32:21,519 --> 00:32:26,080

uh in addition rules and regulations can

728

00:32:23,919 --> 00:32:27,840

change from time to time and so sending

729

00:32:26,080 --> 00:32:30,159

the letter whenever those rules are

730

00:32:27,840 --> 00:32:33,159

updated can help it keep employees

731

00:32:30,159 --> 00:32:33,159

informed

732

00:32:33,440 --> 00:32:41,200

we have a PSLF reertification reminder

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00:32:37,519 --> 00:32:43,840

so um this is typically used uh and is

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00:32:41,200 --> 00:32:46,880

specific to folks who have maybe already

735

00:32:43,840 --> 00:32:48,399

submitted a PSLF form to you in the past

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00:32:46,880 --> 00:32:50,880

and if this is information that you

737

00:32:48,399 --> 00:32:53,519

track you know you can send a notice to

738

00:32:50,880 --> 00:32:58,000

those employees a year after the fact to

739

00:32:53,519 --> 00:33:00,320

remind them to reverify their employment

740

00:32:58,000 --> 00:33:02,159

we recommend sending a notice for new

741

00:33:00,320 --> 00:33:04,640

employees this would be an onboarding

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00:33:02,159 --> 00:33:07,039

notice to introduce the program again

743

00:33:04,640 --> 00:33:09,200

help raise awareness of it uh and

744

00:33:07,039 --> 00:33:10,720

provide some key steps for the employee

745

00:33:09,200 --> 00:33:13,440

um to take in order to enroll and

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00:33:10,720 --> 00:33:15,440

eventually qualify for forgiveness um

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00:33:13,440 --> 00:33:17,440

you know if sending an email is is too

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00:33:15,440 --> 00:33:19,360

much even including it as a part of your

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00:33:17,440 --> 00:33:21,279

onboarding checklist with you know a

750

00:33:19,360 --> 00:33:23,600

link to more information would be

751

00:33:21,279 --> 00:33:25,919

beneficial

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00:33:23,600 --> 00:33:28,559

finally we have a PSLF notice for

753

00:33:25,919 --> 00:33:30,640

separated employees um so we recommend

754

00:33:28,559 --> 00:33:32,559

sharing this with employees when they

755

00:33:30,640 --> 00:33:36,640

resign from your organization or perhaps

756

00:33:32,559 --> 00:33:38,799

retire um or leave right um this is

757

00:33:36,640 --> 00:33:40,640

extremely important because borrowers

758

00:33:38,799 --> 00:33:42,720

have reported to us in the past that it

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00:33:40,640 --> 00:33:44,799

can be hard to get their employment

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00:33:42,720 --> 00:33:47,120

certified after they have left an

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00:33:44,799 --> 00:33:50,159

employer right so you can retroactively

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00:33:47,120 --> 00:33:52,000

certify employment going back to 2007

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00:33:50,159 --> 00:33:54,399

and so it can be hard you know if you've

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00:33:52,000 --> 00:33:56,159

left somewhere after two years or three

765

00:33:54,399 --> 00:33:58,960

years trying to go back and get that

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00:33:56,159 --> 00:34:00,799

employment certified and so having um a

767

00:33:58,960 --> 00:34:02,399

note you know either an email or

768

00:34:00,799 --> 00:34:05,919

something a part of like an offporting

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00:34:02,399 --> 00:34:08,000

checklist um can be beneficial to remind

770

00:34:05,919 --> 00:34:11,200

folks to make sure to do that as a part

771

00:34:08,000 --> 00:34:13,760

of their leaving process

772

00:34:11,200 --> 00:34:16,000

we also want to note that uh employees

773

00:34:13,760 --> 00:34:18,320

need to be actively employed with their

774

00:34:16,000 --> 00:34:20,639

public service employer when they submit

775

00:34:18,320 --> 00:34:22,879

their last form with the final request

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00:34:20,639 --> 00:34:26,560

for loan discharge so when they've kind

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00:34:22,879 --> 00:34:30,240

of reached the end of their um 10 years

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00:34:26,560 --> 00:34:31,760

or 120 qualifying um monthly payments uh

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00:34:30,240 --> 00:34:34,240

they still need to be employed when they

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00:34:31,760 --> 00:34:37,720

submit their application um in order to

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00:34:34,240 --> 00:34:37,720

receive the benefit

782

00:34:42,240 --> 00:34:48,000

as someone uh that's been working in the

783

00:34:45,280 --> 00:34:50,240

chaotic world of student loans over the

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00:34:48,000 --> 00:34:52,240

last year and a half I'll be the first

785

00:34:50,240 --> 00:34:55,599

to tell you that everything seems to be

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00:34:52,240 --> 00:34:57,280

constantly changing um while many

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00:34:55,599 --> 00:35:00,000

changes in the past few years to the

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00:34:57,280 --> 00:35:01,760

program have benefited borrowers

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00:35:00,000 --> 00:35:04,240

um a lot of borrowers are actually

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00:35:01,760 --> 00:35:06,560

unaware um and perhaps confused about

791

00:35:04,240 --> 00:35:08,560

those changes um they may have

792

00:35:06,560 --> 00:35:12,640

previously written off the program based

793

00:35:08,560 --> 00:35:14,720

on outdated information uh and so you

794

00:35:12,640 --> 00:35:17,040

can play a key role in alleviating that

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00:35:14,720 --> 00:35:19,680

issue by providing updated PSLF

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00:35:17,040 --> 00:35:22,000

information to your employees

797

00:35:19,680 --> 00:35:23,760

to make this as easy as possible for you

798

00:35:22,000 --> 00:35:26,320

our office has created a mailing list

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00:35:23,760 --> 00:35:28,400

that you can subscribe to um and at any

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00:35:26,320 --> 00:35:30,720

time that there are relevant changes to

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00:35:28,400 --> 00:35:33,760

the program or updates to resources like

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00:35:30,720 --> 00:35:35,440

the templates um for those notices um

803

00:35:33,760 --> 00:35:39,200

we'll share that with you so that you

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00:35:35,440 --> 00:35:41,200

can share that with your employees um uh

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00:35:39,200 --> 00:35:42,720

we also have a borrower specific list

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00:35:41,200 --> 00:35:44,320

that your employees can sign up for as

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00:35:42,720 --> 00:35:46,400

well and I believe we have that included

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00:35:44,320 --> 00:35:48,320

in our u resources at the end of the

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00:35:46,400 --> 00:35:50,160

presentation

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00:35:48,320 --> 00:35:52,480

and as I mentioned earlier you know if

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00:35:50,160 --> 00:35:54,160

you have questions about the PSLF

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00:35:52,480 --> 00:35:56,560

program as an employer after this

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00:35:54,160 --> 00:36:00,400

presentation you can reach out to us for

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00:35:56,560 --> 00:36:02,000

support um uh we're um Jessica and

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00:36:00,400 --> 00:36:03,920

myself are over at the office of the

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00:36:02,000 --> 00:36:07,640

student loan advocate you can always

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00:36:03,920 --> 00:36:07,640

email us at loanadvocatewsac.wah.gov

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00:36:15,200 --> 00:36:19,839

thank you Amber now let's review how to

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00:36:18,240 --> 00:36:23,280

communicate this information that we've

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00:36:19,839 --> 00:36:26,280

covered about P PSLF resources to your

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00:36:23,280 --> 00:36:26,280

employees

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00:36:28,640 --> 00:36:33,599

you may be asking yourself what is the

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00:36:31,040 --> 00:36:36,960

best way to distribute this information

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00:36:33,599 --> 00:36:39,200

to my employees right the most important

825

00:36:36,960 --> 00:36:40,800

resource you can use is the letter

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00:36:39,200 --> 00:36:43,680

templates right that we mentioned

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00:36:40,800 --> 00:36:46,400

earlier in the presentation

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00:36:43,680 --> 00:36:48,880

we also recommend maintaining PSLF

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00:36:46,400 --> 00:36:51,920

information uh such as the links that we

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00:36:48,880 --> 00:36:54,560

shared on your internet or public facing

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00:36:51,920 --> 00:36:57,040

websites again this is a cost-free

832

00:36:54,560 --> 00:37:01,200

recruitment and retention tool that you

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00:36:57,040 --> 00:37:04,800

can use we recommend including the PSLF

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point of contact your EIN and the PSLF

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email address available on a public

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facing website and this is because again

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when people are looking to get certified

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especially after they leave if they're

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able to find that information on your

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website that makes it a lot easier for

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them and a PSLF phone number can also be

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helpful um so the phone number of of the

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point of contact or points of contact um

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it's helpful but it's not required and

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putting this information on your public

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facing website services and as an

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advertisement to prospective employees

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um more it ensures separated employees

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once again have information they need to

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get the PSLF form signed we often hear

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that these two things are a big barrier

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for uh borrowers trying to achieve PSLF

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forgiveness right that some some

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employees say that they're they have

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difficulty figuring out who to contact

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in their in their organization to be

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able to complete the form so if you can

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make that easy for for your employees

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you are already 10 steps ahead

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um you can also share some of the PSLF

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resources um that we have provided on

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our resource slides

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the fourth action that you can do is to

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advertise that you are a PSLF qualifying

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employer and how do you do that right to

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leverage the benefits of PSLF for your

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organization you need to inform job

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seekers right people that are looking

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for for for work that employment with

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you will lead is is a qualification for

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the program right that you can qualify

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for PSLF if they work for you now here

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is an example of a statement that you

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can include either on individual job

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postings um external or internal job

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boards wherever you you posting your

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jobs to let those prospective employees

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know that you are a qualifying employer

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you can also use this um this statement

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on your employer benefits section of the

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website right so that if somebody is

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trying to find out what benefits you

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offer they also can find out about the

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program through those means

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all right so we're we're getting there

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um

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we just want to share specifically that

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uh again reiterate that you your staff

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may have heard in the news that the

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federal government is reviewing possible

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changes to the program and we do

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understand that there may be concerns

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and questions about that so we're

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providing a link um where folks can go

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to the US Department of Education's

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student aid website for the latest

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information um regarding what's

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happening

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so we'll include that with um here we go

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with this slide it's a link here at the

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top and um

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so the federal student aid website has a

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specific page on public service loan

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forgiveness

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it has instructions on step by step how

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to complete the PSLF form using the PSLF

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help tool and that includes some

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screenshots

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we uh there is how an actual page in an

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application um portal for incomedriven

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repayment plan how to manage their

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public service loan forgiveness progress

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uh using their studentaid.gov

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uh account and then there are some help

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videos from the department of education

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um this next slide uh just I'm gonna I'm

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going to share my bias which is that um

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the Washington Student Loan Advocate

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has and so this is Jessica and um Amber

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at this point in time they have provided

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some excellent tools to help both

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employers and employees navigate this

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process we are fortunate to be one of

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very few states like 11 or 12 states

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that actually have laws that support

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student loan advocacy through consumer

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protection laws and regulatory functions

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by our department of financial

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institutions and I think most important

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um the Washington Student Achievement

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Council has established a student loan

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bill of rights and the provisions in

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that are navigated and managed by

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Jessica and Amber in their roles so

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they've um this is just a a short

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highlight of the the links available on

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their website so there's a quick PSLF

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fact sheet

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detailed steps to apply for PSLF

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frequently asked questions and a large

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ability is um for student loan borrowers

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to submit questions or complaints to

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them through the Washington student um

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complaint portal and this allows both uh

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00:42:23,839 --> 00:42:30,000

questions and complaints about um

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student loan servicesers in the PSLF

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um realm

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and then we um just need to clarify

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because we recognize that there might be

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some other employers in the room with us

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beyond local government if you work in a

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Washington state agency you're part of

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Washington state government and this

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includes our public institutions of

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higher education please visit OFM's PSLF

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page it includes um

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we do have a specific um PSLF

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certification program requirements for

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state agencies so the information that

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you need to be aware of for that is

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included there along with uh the um

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email box that you can send questions to

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and for our nonprofit um employers

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the student loan advocates website

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includes a specific section on um

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information about that for you

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so to highlight um some of the things

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we've shared

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you can refer employees to the student

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loan advocate for help um borrowers may

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submit a complaint or questions about

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their loans to the Office of the Student

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Loan Advocate and this includes

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questions about their PSLF pro um loans

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and processes

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credits income driven repayment plans if

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they are in delinquency or default

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there's information about deferments and

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forbearance loan forgiveness and

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discharges and the process for that loan

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consolidations

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and any other student loan questions

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they may have so the link at the bottom

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of this page actually takes you into

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that portal

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and then the very last slide if you want

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to roll forward Amber these are the

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links that were actually presented in

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the slides throughout the program we

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just think it might be helpful to have

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them all in one place um and next

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Jessica is going to lead our question

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and answer session

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thank you Terry really appreciate it um

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so we have a lot of time for questions

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so I I see that there are some folks

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that already submitted questions both on

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the chat and uh in our Q&A so keep keep

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them going um because we want to make

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sure that we we cover as many of the

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concerns that you might have at this

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point in time about the program uh Terry

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uh not Terry Amber do you want to go

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ahead and um start going through some of

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those questions yeah so looks like we've

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got um four questions and so this is the

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opportunity please if you've got

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questions throw them in the uh Q&A so

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that we can um address them um no

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question is is silly or or um you know

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we we want to make sure that that folks

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get a good understanding and and take

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some good things away from this webinar

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so um our first question um sorry if I

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missed this but do we help our employees

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fill this out at any time or do they

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have to fulfill the eligibility

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requirements first like the 10 years of

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payments

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great yeah yeah go for Thank you sorry

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um so that's a great question right so

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the answer is

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both

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which I know it's a it's a little

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confusing um so you technically somebody

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could go for 10 years making their

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payments right under student loans and

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wait until they've been employed for 10

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years in the in the public service while

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making those payments to then submit

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their PSLF form or forms right we don't

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typically recommend that people do that

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for a couple of reasons right there are

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some very specific requirements that

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people need to be meeting while they're

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going through the program right the

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employer piece employment piece is a is

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a part of it but there's you know three

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other things that we mentioned earlier

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that can be a little bit confusing for

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borrowers um as they're going through

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the process right so because that

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there's those requirements that they

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need to meet while they're employed with

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you right we often recommend that people

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actually submit their form every year

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and the reason for that is that one that

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makes sure that they're covering um

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getting credit along the way right they

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they are aware of like how many more

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payments they have to make before they

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qualify for forgiveness and two if for

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some reason they're not meeting one of

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those requirements for example the one

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that I find that is the most common

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maybe they're in the wrong repayment

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plan right to be on PSLF they're going

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to find out that information once they

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apply because the Federson A will tell

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them that information like hey

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unfortunately you don't qualify for the

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program right now because you're in the

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correct um uh repayment plan but here's

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what you can do to switch to the right

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repayment plan so that you can

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eventually qualify right so while yes

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technically somebody could wait 10 years

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and then apply for the program um after

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making those 10 years of qualifying

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payments we don't recommend that we

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actually recommend that they do it every

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year and every time they switch

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employers

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and I want to just add to that um as

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employers you are not expected to know

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you know whether or not they're going to

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qualify or to be able to answer those

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types of questions your role in the

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process is really to um let employees

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know that this is available and then

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when employees go to fill out the forms

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and they're the ones responsible for

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filling the forms out um if they do it

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through that help tool that Terry was

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talking about earlier that um you know

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if they have access to who to send the

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form to it'll send a docuign request to

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that point of contact email and so that

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needs to be completed by the employer So

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that's verifying their um uh full-time

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versus part-time status average hours

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per week and dates of employment so when

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they started and whether they're still

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employed or have an end date and then a

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signature by the um authorized official

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um so that's that is kind of the the

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kind of key responsibility that

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employers have is to to do that

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certification process you know even if

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an employee is a part-time employee you

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can certify that they were part-time for

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those hours and you don't need to know

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whether they had another job that they

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00:49:19,040 --> 00:49:22,880

were also working to meet the

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00:49:20,640 --> 00:49:25,839

requirement that's on the employee to

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00:49:22,880 --> 00:49:28,800

find out so we see the employer role as

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00:49:25,839 --> 00:49:30,480

really you know doing the certification

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00:49:28,800 --> 00:49:33,280

requirements and making sure folks know

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00:49:30,480 --> 00:49:35,200

that this is an option uh when they

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00:49:33,280 --> 00:49:36,559

start as they're continue to be employed

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00:49:35,200 --> 00:49:39,200

with you and when they leave your

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00:49:36,559 --> 00:49:40,800

organization um and then just providing

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00:49:39,200 --> 00:49:44,079

that information that they need in order

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00:49:40,800 --> 00:49:47,119

to complete the form so the EIN

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00:49:44,079 --> 00:49:48,960

um the contact person and email um are

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00:49:47,119 --> 00:49:51,960

those kind of primary key pieces of

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00:49:48,960 --> 00:49:51,960

information

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00:49:52,240 --> 00:49:57,040

uh sorry Jessica I kind of hijacked the

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00:49:54,160 --> 00:50:02,319

end of that question there um couldn't

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00:49:57,040 --> 00:50:03,680

help myself um our next question um and

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00:50:02,319 --> 00:50:04,960

I think we kind of addressed this but if

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00:50:03,680 --> 00:50:07,760

you want to just maybe expand a little

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00:50:04,960 --> 00:50:11,119

bit do people applying for PSLF need to

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00:50:07,760 --> 00:50:15,880

submit an application every year no but

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00:50:11,119 --> 00:50:15,880

it is highly recommended that they do so

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00:50:21,119 --> 00:50:28,000

excellent okay um I see Terry you're

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00:50:24,720 --> 00:50:30,000

typing an answer to Denise but um yes we

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00:50:28,000 --> 00:50:31,839

will be sending out um the slide deck

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00:50:30,000 --> 00:50:34,000

with the clickable links as well as a

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00:50:31,839 --> 00:50:36,319

link to the recording um of this

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00:50:34,000 --> 00:50:37,920

presentation um for folks who attended

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00:50:36,319 --> 00:50:43,720

and then we'll also be sending it to our

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00:50:37,920 --> 00:50:43,720

greater PSLF employer list uh email list

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00:50:43,760 --> 00:50:51,440

um Jessica can you apply for PSLF if

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00:50:48,000 --> 00:50:53,599

you've consolidated your loans

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00:50:51,440 --> 00:50:55,359

great question right i want to make sure

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00:50:53,599 --> 00:50:57,359

that to address this question we

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00:50:55,359 --> 00:51:00,160

actually explain what loan consolidation

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00:50:57,359 --> 00:51:03,920

is and what it isn't because people can

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00:51:00,160 --> 00:51:06,720

usually get um privately refinancing

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00:51:03,920 --> 00:51:08,880

your loans with and loan consolidation

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00:51:06,720 --> 00:51:11,440

with the federal government conflicted

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00:51:08,880 --> 00:51:14,640

right because those those terms can be

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00:51:11,440 --> 00:51:17,200

used interchangeably so if somebody has

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00:51:14,640 --> 00:51:18,800

consolidated their federal student loans

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00:51:17,200 --> 00:51:21,119

with the federal government meaning

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00:51:18,800 --> 00:51:23,440

their loans are now all consolidated

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00:51:21,119 --> 00:51:25,920

into one loan but it's still owned by

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00:51:23,440 --> 00:51:28,960

the federal government the answer is yes

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00:51:25,920 --> 00:51:31,839

they can still apply for PSLF now if the

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00:51:28,960 --> 00:51:34,960

person has refinanced their student

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00:51:31,839 --> 00:51:37,440

loans with a private company um some

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00:51:34,960 --> 00:51:40,800

names that come to mind is like Discover

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00:51:37,440 --> 00:51:43,839

SoFi etc like there's a lot of companies

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00:51:40,800 --> 00:51:45,839

out there that will um privately

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00:51:43,839 --> 00:51:47,760

refinance the loans and make that into a

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00:51:45,839 --> 00:51:49,440

private debt right like no longer owned

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00:51:47,760 --> 00:51:51,599

by the the federal government if

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00:51:49,440 --> 00:51:53,599

somebody has privately refinanced their

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00:51:51,599 --> 00:51:55,520

student loans unfortunately they can no

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00:51:53,599 --> 00:51:58,000

longer apply for PSLF because that debt

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00:51:55,520 --> 00:52:01,000

is no longer owned by uh the federal

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00:51:58,000 --> 00:52:01,000

government

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00:52:08,160 --> 00:52:13,680

um all right is the income driven

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00:52:11,520 --> 00:52:16,640

repayment plan the default or does the

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00:52:13,680 --> 00:52:18,160

employee need to ask for it and if not

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00:52:16,640 --> 00:52:22,480

and they have found that the repayment

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00:52:18,160 --> 00:52:25,119

wasn't converted are they starting over

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00:52:22,480 --> 00:52:27,680

great questions Jenna so the income

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00:52:25,119 --> 00:52:28,880

driven repayment plan is not the default

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00:52:27,680 --> 00:52:32,160

right

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00:52:28,880 --> 00:52:34,079

um and the employer has to ask for it by

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00:52:32,160 --> 00:52:36,240

applying for it right so hopefully that

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00:52:34,079 --> 00:52:38,640

answers your two questions and then if

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00:52:36,240 --> 00:52:40,079

not does that mean that if the employee

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00:52:38,640 --> 00:52:41,440

now finds out that they weren't in the

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00:52:40,079 --> 00:52:43,119

right repayment plan do they have to

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00:52:41,440 --> 00:52:45,520

start over the answer to that question

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00:52:43,119 --> 00:52:47,599

is a little bit more nuanced uh because

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00:52:45,520 --> 00:52:52,400

in recent years people were able to get

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00:52:47,599 --> 00:52:54,319

credit um for repayment in which they

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00:52:52,400 --> 00:52:57,119

were not in an income driven repayment

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00:52:54,319 --> 00:52:59,200

plan there was some limited um time

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00:52:57,119 --> 00:53:01,599

opportunities that allowed people up

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00:52:59,200 --> 00:53:02,880

until fall of last year to get a lot of

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00:53:01,599 --> 00:53:06,400

credit for those payments that didn't

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00:53:02,880 --> 00:53:08,720

count um so the answer might be that yes

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00:53:06,400 --> 00:53:10,559

they might have some credit even though

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00:53:08,720 --> 00:53:12,640

they weren't in an income driven

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00:53:10,559 --> 00:53:15,040

repayment plan but if the person for

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00:53:12,640 --> 00:53:17,920

example graduated today let's just say

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00:53:15,040 --> 00:53:19,680

and they make payments for like a year

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00:53:17,920 --> 00:53:21,040

um and they've been in the wrong

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00:53:19,680 --> 00:53:23,440

repayment plan and then they submit a

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00:53:21,040 --> 00:53:25,200

PSL form they might find out at that

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00:53:23,440 --> 00:53:26,960

point in time that yes that maybe those

1200

00:53:25,200 --> 00:53:28,640

payments for the past year didn't count

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00:53:26,960 --> 00:53:30,800

but hey at least they're finding it out

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00:53:28,640 --> 00:53:33,440

now after just one year of payments

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00:53:30,800 --> 00:53:35,280

instead of like 10 years of payment

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00:53:33,440 --> 00:53:37,440

which this this is exactly the reason

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00:53:35,280 --> 00:53:39,200

why we emphasize that people should be

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00:53:37,440 --> 00:53:42,000

submitting those PSLF forms every year

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00:53:39,200 --> 00:53:43,520

to avoid situations like this so to

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00:53:42,000 --> 00:53:45,440

short answer to your question is that

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00:53:43,520 --> 00:53:47,200

yes they might still have credit from

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00:53:45,440 --> 00:53:48,800

some past payments but it's really going

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00:53:47,200 --> 00:53:50,160

to depend on their specific situation

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00:53:48,800 --> 00:53:54,800

and if they have any questions they can

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00:53:50,160 --> 00:53:56,720

submit a question to um our office

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00:53:54,800 --> 00:53:59,119

and again you know if you get questions

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00:53:56,720 --> 00:54:00,960

like that from your employees you know

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00:53:59,119 --> 00:54:02,720

you can refer them to the resources that

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00:54:00,960 --> 00:54:04,720

we've shared with you um or we'll be

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00:54:02,720 --> 00:54:07,440

sharing with you uh you can refer them

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00:54:04,720 --> 00:54:10,000

to our offices if you are kind of your

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00:54:07,440 --> 00:54:13,760

PSLF point of contact for folks at your

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00:54:10,000 --> 00:54:15,280

your organization um you know if you are

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00:54:13,760 --> 00:54:16,800

wanting to learn a little bit more just

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00:54:15,280 --> 00:54:19,599

so you have a little bit more context

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00:54:16,800 --> 00:54:23,040

when you're talking with folks

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00:54:19,599 --> 00:54:25,200

you can um you know take the initiative

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00:54:23,040 --> 00:54:27,680

and and maybe watch one of our borrower

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00:54:25,200 --> 00:54:29,359

specific webinars that we have on our

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00:54:27,680 --> 00:54:31,280

website for instance or take a look at

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00:54:29,359 --> 00:54:35,599

the resources yourself just to kind of

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00:54:31,280 --> 00:54:37,839

get get maybe u the perspective from the

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00:54:35,599 --> 00:54:42,160

the borrower the employee side to have a

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00:54:37,839 --> 00:54:46,640

sense of what their process is like

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00:54:42,160 --> 00:54:48,800

um Kim asks "As an employer how do we

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00:54:46,640 --> 00:54:50,960

update our address are we showing we are

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00:54:48,800 --> 00:54:54,079

showing as an eligible employer but it

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00:54:50,960 --> 00:54:57,640

says no address on file?" Terry do you

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00:54:54,079 --> 00:54:57,640

want to take this one

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00:54:58,240 --> 00:55:04,800

um I will take it um

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00:55:02,400 --> 00:55:07,119

essenti but I might need my colleagues

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00:55:04,800 --> 00:55:09,280

here to help me out at the end of my

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00:55:07,119 --> 00:55:12,960

answer so

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00:55:09,280 --> 00:55:15,599

there is no way to update your address i

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00:55:12,960 --> 00:55:18,960

am unclear i think all of us are unclear

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00:55:15,599 --> 00:55:21,760

exactly what if any connection lives

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00:55:18,960 --> 00:55:23,680

between the system that produces and

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00:55:21,760 --> 00:55:26,400

maintains records for the employee

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00:55:23,680 --> 00:55:29,680

identification number versus what's in

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00:55:26,400 --> 00:55:32,319

the employer search tool i don't believe

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00:55:29,680 --> 00:55:34,319

it matters whether there's an address

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00:55:32,319 --> 00:55:36,079

for you on file just because affirming

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00:55:34,319 --> 00:55:38,800

that it doesn't matter as long as you

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00:55:36,079 --> 00:55:42,319

are showing as eligible just complete

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00:55:38,800 --> 00:55:44,319

the form for your employees and um it

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00:55:42,319 --> 00:55:47,040

will get processed through FSA and as

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00:55:44,319 --> 00:55:49,440

long as those other three conditions are

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00:55:47,040 --> 00:55:51,839

are um

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00:55:49,440 --> 00:55:55,640

correct or active then then they'll go

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00:55:51,839 --> 00:55:55,640

ahead and get credit

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00:55:58,160 --> 00:56:04,319

so Amber feel free to add if I've

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00:56:00,880 --> 00:56:07,599

forgotten anything on that answer yeah

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00:56:04,319 --> 00:56:09,839

you know um the entries that are in the

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00:56:07,599 --> 00:56:12,160

employer search tool were generated

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00:56:09,839 --> 00:56:14,960

based on prior forms that were submitted

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00:56:12,160 --> 00:56:16,880

and so um you know I don't actually I

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00:56:14,960 --> 00:56:19,280

can't remember the current iteration of

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00:56:16,880 --> 00:56:21,599

the PSLF form if it has a spot for the

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00:56:19,280 --> 00:56:23,920

employer address um it's possible that

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00:56:21,599 --> 00:56:26,640

it did previously and maybe it was

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00:56:23,920 --> 00:56:29,280

inputted incorrectly um if it has that

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00:56:26,640 --> 00:56:31,040

spot still when when um the employer or

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00:56:29,280 --> 00:56:32,960

the employee goes in to fill it out that

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00:56:31,040 --> 00:56:34,799

they can change that information that

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00:56:32,960 --> 00:56:37,440

would generally get updated but there's

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00:56:34,799 --> 00:56:39,680

not a way to proactively go and change

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00:56:37,440 --> 00:56:42,160

your organization's information on that

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00:56:39,680 --> 00:56:46,280

website it only gets updated through the

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00:56:42,160 --> 00:56:46,280

submission of PSLF forms

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00:56:48,319 --> 00:56:53,680

um all right jackie asks "Do we have to

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00:56:51,760 --> 00:56:55,680

use the PSLF notification templates

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00:56:53,680 --> 00:56:57,599

provided by OFM or can we create our own

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00:56:55,680 --> 00:57:01,200

templates customized to our agency with

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00:56:57,599 --> 00:57:04,240

all the required information

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00:57:01,200 --> 00:57:06,640

i mean you all don't have to do anything

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00:57:04,240 --> 00:57:10,240

right i was going to say the best the

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00:57:06,640 --> 00:57:12,799

best answer." Um so no I mean if you if

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00:57:10,240 --> 00:57:15,520

you want to customize it to your heart's

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00:57:12,799 --> 00:57:18,240

desire go ahead right the one thing that

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00:57:15,520 --> 00:57:21,599

I will say that is important that is

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00:57:18,240 --> 00:57:23,280

important to say is that it's it's

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00:57:21,599 --> 00:57:25,200

something that we still struggle with is

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00:57:23,280 --> 00:57:27,760

like conveying the message of the

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00:57:25,200 --> 00:57:31,200

requirements to borrowers if you can

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00:57:27,760 --> 00:57:34,079

keep those four requirements

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00:57:31,200 --> 00:57:35,920

as they are i would recommend doing that

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00:57:34,079 --> 00:57:39,359

just because like a minor tweaking to

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00:57:35,920 --> 00:57:40,720

those words can make a borrower

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00:57:39,359 --> 00:57:43,280

understand the requirements in a way

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00:57:40,720 --> 00:57:45,280

that's not correct right but outside of

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00:57:43,280 --> 00:57:47,599

those four requirements

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00:57:45,280 --> 00:57:49,440

you can probably change anything and and

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00:57:47,599 --> 00:57:53,559

it would still be okay so that that

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00:57:49,440 --> 00:57:53,559

would be my recommendation to you

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00:57:54,400 --> 00:57:58,319

yeah and I would say Jackie if for some

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00:57:56,240 --> 00:58:00,000

reason that you work for a state agency

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00:57:58,319 --> 00:58:01,680

and you're here I would recommend

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00:58:00,000 --> 00:58:03,520

reaching out to Terry to talk about that

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00:58:01,680 --> 00:58:04,720

as well just you know and knowing that

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00:58:03,520 --> 00:58:07,119

there might be some folks in the room

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00:58:04,720 --> 00:58:09,359

that are state agency and and state

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00:58:07,119 --> 00:58:12,799

agencies are required to send those

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00:58:09,359 --> 00:58:14,079

notifications to their employees um and

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00:58:12,799 --> 00:58:16,000

so whether or not they're required to

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00:58:14,079 --> 00:58:18,240

use the OFM template that I'm not sure

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00:58:16,000 --> 00:58:19,839

about if if that's applicable so I would

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00:58:18,240 --> 00:58:24,920

say connect with Terry if you are a

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00:58:19,839 --> 00:58:24,920

state agency employer um

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00:58:25,200 --> 00:58:29,839

Becky asks I tried to look at my

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00:58:27,359 --> 00:58:31,440

organization by our ERN EIN and it came

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00:58:29,839 --> 00:58:33,200

back no results found did I hear

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00:58:31,440 --> 00:58:36,200

correctly that we can't proactively get

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00:58:33,200 --> 00:58:36,200

added

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00:58:37,280 --> 00:58:43,520

correct Becky you cannot proactively get

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00:58:39,839 --> 00:58:46,480

added the only way to add currently um

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00:58:43,520 --> 00:58:48,240

an employer is by one of your employees

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00:58:46,480 --> 00:58:50,880

actually submitting a form with your

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00:58:48,240 --> 00:58:53,839

information and with the additional

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00:58:50,880 --> 00:58:55,520

documentation that we outlined right so

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00:58:53,839 --> 00:58:58,240

what I would recommend to you if you

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00:58:55,520 --> 00:59:00,559

want to be proactive right is to maybe

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00:58:58,240 --> 00:59:03,119

gather those documents and have it saved

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00:59:00,559 --> 00:59:05,280

in a folder so that whenever somebody

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00:59:03,119 --> 00:59:07,280

comes to you and says "I want to submit

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00:59:05,280 --> 00:59:09,839

my PSL form." you can let them know like

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00:59:07,280 --> 00:59:11,599

"Oh actually unfortunately we're not on

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00:59:09,839 --> 00:59:12,880

the database yet but here is the

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00:59:11,599 --> 00:59:14,720

information that you need to submit with

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00:59:12,880 --> 00:59:18,160

your form so that we can get added to

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00:59:14,720 --> 00:59:21,520

the database and you can get um um into

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00:59:18,160 --> 00:59:23,680

the PSLF program and also our future um

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00:59:21,520 --> 00:59:25,760

employees can not have to go through

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00:59:23,680 --> 00:59:27,920

this hassle and be able to to get access

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00:59:25,760 --> 00:59:28,960

to the program." But great question

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00:59:27,920 --> 00:59:31,040

unfortunately there's no way to

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00:59:28,960 --> 00:59:32,880

proactively do it if you just want to be

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00:59:31,040 --> 00:59:36,640

proactive I would just recommend again

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00:59:32,880 --> 00:59:38,559

having all the documents that we um

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00:59:36,640 --> 00:59:40,559

highlighted somewhere accessible to

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00:59:38,559 --> 00:59:42,640

whoever is your PSLF contact so that

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00:59:40,559 --> 00:59:45,440

whenever somebody submits a form they

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00:59:42,640 --> 00:59:47,680

can um send that information to the to

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00:59:45,440 --> 00:59:49,680

the employee

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00:59:47,680 --> 00:59:52,079

and I would say the the proactive part

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00:59:49,680 --> 00:59:53,920

of that is you know send that notice out

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00:59:52,079 --> 00:59:55,280

to your employees you know if you know

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00:59:53,920 --> 00:59:57,359

that you're a local government

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00:59:55,280 --> 00:59:59,280

organization you're eligible it's just

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00:59:57,359 --> 01:00:01,680

that maybe no one in your organization

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00:59:59,280 --> 01:00:03,280

has ever submitted a form because again

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01:00:01,680 --> 01:00:05,599

that's the only way that those entries

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01:00:03,280 --> 01:00:07,520

are created is someone submitting a form

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01:00:05,599 --> 01:00:09,280

and then those being reviewed to see

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01:00:07,520 --> 01:00:11,280

whether that employer is eligible and so

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01:00:09,280 --> 01:00:13,280

if you're a local government employer

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01:00:11,280 --> 01:00:15,599

you're eligible it's just no one from

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01:00:13,280 --> 01:00:19,599

your organization has applied before and

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01:00:15,599 --> 01:00:21,280

so by sending out an annual notice you

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01:00:19,599 --> 01:00:23,599

know maybe that prompts one of your

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01:00:21,280 --> 01:00:25,440

employees to start that process and

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01:00:23,599 --> 01:00:26,960

maybe the first person that reaches out

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01:00:25,440 --> 01:00:29,520

with you maybe you work with them a

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01:00:26,960 --> 01:00:31,200

little bit to you know and connect us

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01:00:29,520 --> 01:00:32,799

with our office as well to make sure

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01:00:31,200 --> 01:00:34,319

that we get them with the correct

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01:00:32,799 --> 01:00:37,280

documentation that they'll need that

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01:00:34,319 --> 01:00:39,040

they can upload with their form so that

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01:00:37,280 --> 01:00:42,640

um you know your organization can then

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01:00:39,040 --> 01:00:45,040

be considered to be added to the um to

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01:00:42,640 --> 01:00:48,559

the database um and again that that

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01:00:45,040 --> 01:00:50,480

process um when an employee submits a

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01:00:48,559 --> 01:00:52,400

form for the first time for an employer

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01:00:50,480 --> 01:00:54,880

to be reviewed and then added to the

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01:00:52,400 --> 01:00:57,839

system can potentially take like a year

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01:00:54,880 --> 01:01:00,000

um at least that's the last time that we

1384

01:00:57,839 --> 01:01:02,720

had that issue um it took about that

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01:01:00,000 --> 01:01:04,559

long so um

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01:01:02,720 --> 01:01:08,559

the federal government does not always

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01:01:04,559 --> 01:01:10,400

work quickly um so um just putting that

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01:01:08,559 --> 01:01:11,839

out there in case you know maybe you've

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01:01:10,400 --> 01:01:13,119

already submitted a form or had an

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01:01:11,839 --> 01:01:17,799

employee submitted a form and they still

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01:01:13,119 --> 01:01:17,799

haven't heard back that's not unusual

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01:01:18,559 --> 01:01:24,799

um this is a great question Jessica is

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01:01:22,559 --> 01:01:27,839

there a maximum amount that can be

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01:01:24,799 --> 01:01:31,680

forgiven for PSLF

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01:01:27,839 --> 01:01:34,960

no there's no maximum amount which again

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01:01:31,680 --> 01:01:39,319

makes this a very very unique and

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01:01:34,960 --> 01:01:39,319

valuable benefit to employees

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01:01:40,720 --> 01:01:44,720

yeah and I'll say you know the average

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01:01:42,319 --> 01:01:47,280

that we provided um earlier right that

1400

01:01:44,720 --> 01:01:48,880

roughly 35,000 per borrower that's just

1401

01:01:47,280 --> 01:01:50,720

an average we know that there are

1402

01:01:48,880 --> 01:01:52,640

borrowers that have hundreds of

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01:01:50,720 --> 01:01:55,280

thousands of dollars in student loan

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01:01:52,640 --> 01:01:57,680

debt um you know those are typically

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01:01:55,280 --> 01:02:00,960

folks that maybe went to to law school

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01:01:57,680 --> 01:02:03,599

or medical school um some folks that

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01:02:00,960 --> 01:02:05,440

that um maybe have you know parent plus

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01:02:03,599 --> 01:02:08,880

loans which are loans that parents take

1409

01:02:05,440 --> 01:02:11,440

out on behalf of their children um

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01:02:08,880 --> 01:02:12,799

uh you know so you know some folks you

1411

01:02:11,440 --> 01:02:14,079

know they only get maybe a little bit

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01:02:12,799 --> 01:02:15,440

forgiven because that's just what they

1413

01:02:14,079 --> 01:02:17,839

have left at the time that they meet

1414

01:02:15,440 --> 01:02:19,520

those requirements but other folks you

1415

01:02:17,839 --> 01:02:22,160

know they they have the potential to

1416

01:02:19,520 --> 01:02:25,599

have quite a bit of of um loan debt

1417

01:02:22,160 --> 01:02:28,599

forgiven so um you know there's no limit

1418

01:02:25,599 --> 01:02:28,599

currently

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01:02:29,760 --> 01:02:35,359

would you like me to read the questions

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01:02:32,000 --> 01:02:36,720

that landed in the chat yes please i

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01:02:35,359 --> 01:02:39,359

don't have that pulled up since I'm

1422

01:02:36,720 --> 01:02:42,640

sharing my screen okay so we've already

1423

01:02:39,359 --> 01:02:45,599

answered the first few but there was a

1424

01:02:42,640 --> 01:02:48,839

really good

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01:02:45,599 --> 01:02:48,839

Hold on

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01:02:51,280 --> 01:02:56,400

sorry

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01:02:52,559 --> 01:02:58,240

my computer's being super slow

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01:02:56,400 --> 01:03:00,960

okay

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01:02:58,240 --> 01:03:03,599

this is from Stella Rajik i hope I'm

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01:03:00,960 --> 01:03:06,960

saying your name correctly i apologize

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01:03:03,599 --> 01:03:09,200

if I didn't um some temporary or summer

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01:03:06,960 --> 01:03:11,839

employees work variable hours that are

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01:03:09,200 --> 01:03:14,559

not easy to summarize in one field such

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01:03:11,839 --> 01:03:17,200

as numbers of hours worked or they

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01:03:14,559 --> 01:03:22,880

worked a couple of jobs at the same time

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01:03:17,200 --> 01:03:24,880

each with the schedule of a few hours

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01:03:22,880 --> 01:03:27,760

jessica do you want to answer that or

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01:03:24,880 --> 01:03:29,920

would you like me to i think you can

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01:03:27,760 --> 01:03:33,839

okay so I get questions like that all

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01:03:29,920 --> 01:03:37,200

the time yeah um what you can do when

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01:03:33,839 --> 01:03:40,079

there are variable hours is

1442

01:03:37,200 --> 01:03:43,760

look at the the time frame that the

1443

01:03:40,079 --> 01:03:46,079

employment is being certified for and

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01:03:43,760 --> 01:03:49,200

add up all the hours and divide it by

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01:03:46,079 --> 01:03:51,359

the number of weeks that were worked

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01:03:49,200 --> 01:03:54,960

then you can determine whether the

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01:03:51,359 --> 01:03:56,720

employee met the 30hour threshold in

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01:03:54,960 --> 01:03:59,200

which case you could say that they were

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01:03:56,720 --> 01:04:01,119

full-time during that period and if they

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01:03:59,200 --> 01:04:03,760

don't then you say that they are

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01:04:01,119 --> 01:04:06,319

part-time during that period another

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01:04:03,760 --> 01:04:09,760

scenario that we've encountered is

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01:04:06,319 --> 01:04:11,760

people are intermittent or seasonal and

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01:04:09,760 --> 01:04:14,240

so they'll work some hours for a period

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01:04:11,760 --> 01:04:15,920

of time and then there will be a break

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01:04:14,240 --> 01:04:17,280

where they don't report any hours and

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01:04:15,920 --> 01:04:20,319

then they come back and they work some

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01:04:17,280 --> 01:04:23,440

more the employee can also submit

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01:04:20,319 --> 01:04:24,799

multiple forms for those periods of

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01:04:23,440 --> 01:04:29,839

employment where they would have

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01:04:24,799 --> 01:04:32,079

qualifying number of hours and um again

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01:04:29,839 --> 01:04:34,160

we're available if you have scenario

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01:04:32,079 --> 01:04:36,960

questions like that that need to be

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01:04:34,160 --> 01:04:39,440

answered

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01:04:36,960 --> 01:04:41,599

and I'll add just a note on that as

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01:04:39,440 --> 01:04:44,960

well you know we recommend that folks

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01:04:41,599 --> 01:04:48,000

submit PSLS forms at least annually uh

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01:04:44,960 --> 01:04:49,680

like as a bare minimum but there is

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01:04:48,000 --> 01:04:51,520

nothing that prevents an employee from

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01:04:49,680 --> 01:04:53,520

submitting you know they could submit a

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01:04:51,520 --> 01:04:55,200

form every month it might get a little

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01:04:53,520 --> 01:04:57,760

tedious if they're doing that but they

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01:04:55,200 --> 01:05:01,119

actually could you know if if they know

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01:04:57,760 --> 01:05:02,480

for um you know for the summer months

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01:05:01,119 --> 01:05:05,119

that they're going to be working a

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01:05:02,480 --> 01:05:07,119

different set of of kind of time period

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01:05:05,119 --> 01:05:09,839

we'll maybe encourage them to submit one

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01:05:07,119 --> 01:05:11,280

PSLF form up to the time right before it

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01:05:09,839 --> 01:05:13,760

changed and then they could submit

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01:05:11,280 --> 01:05:16,319

another one once that then next time

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01:05:13,760 --> 01:05:18,000

period changes um so there's nothing

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01:05:16,319 --> 01:05:20,559

stopping folks from submitting multiple

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01:05:18,000 --> 01:05:22,559

forms like that um and you might just

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01:05:20,559 --> 01:05:24,160

have to you know if that's you know an

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01:05:22,559 --> 01:05:26,319

issue or when they submit a form and

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01:05:24,160 --> 01:05:28,880

you're like well this doesn't represent

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01:05:26,319 --> 01:05:30,559

the full employment situation

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01:05:28,880 --> 01:05:33,039

uh you can then just reach out to the

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01:05:30,559 --> 01:05:35,359

employee individually before signing the

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01:05:33,039 --> 01:05:37,839

form to say hey maybe this isn't the

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01:05:35,359 --> 01:05:41,680

best way to do that maybe we submit two

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01:05:37,839 --> 01:05:44,160

separate forms instead of one

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01:05:41,680 --> 01:05:47,440

i can just add to that if they're using

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01:05:44,160 --> 01:05:50,079

the electronic PSL of help tool system

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01:05:47,440 --> 01:05:53,359

the minute they submit another form the

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01:05:50,079 --> 01:05:57,359

the last one on file that's open will be

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01:05:53,359 --> 01:05:59,839

closed and and so there's no worry about

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01:05:57,359 --> 01:06:02,000

overlapping um

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01:05:59,839 --> 01:06:03,680

like I submitted one my employer

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01:06:02,000 --> 01:06:05,359

contacted me and said this doesn't

1501

01:06:03,680 --> 01:06:07,599

accurately represent your employment

1502

01:06:05,359 --> 01:06:11,119

they submit another one that first form

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01:06:07,599 --> 01:06:13,359

is just made inactive and then the

1504

01:06:11,119 --> 01:06:16,319

employer can act on the follow-up form

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01:06:13,359 --> 01:06:19,839

that comes through

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01:06:16,319 --> 01:06:23,039

i had another point but in the

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01:06:19,839 --> 01:06:25,839

Okay so

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01:06:23,039 --> 01:06:27,680

Marilyn has another question but I think

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01:06:25,839 --> 01:06:29,280

there's a followup there's another one

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01:06:27,680 --> 01:06:31,760

here in the chat that I think would be

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01:06:29,280 --> 01:06:35,039

good to answer when did the save

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01:06:31,760 --> 01:06:37,680

forbearance period start

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01:06:35,039 --> 01:06:39,599

jessica

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01:06:37,680 --> 01:06:42,960

I'll answer that i'm pretty sure it was

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01:06:39,599 --> 01:06:45,359

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01:06:42,960 --> 01:06:47,280

so we're almost at the year mark so

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01:06:45,359 --> 01:06:49,680

Rachel I'm assuming you might be a

1518

01:06:47,280 --> 01:06:52,240

borrower just because that's a question

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01:06:49,680 --> 01:06:55,200

that like would most most likely I don't

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01:06:52,240 --> 01:06:56,640

expect anybody in this call to know the

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01:06:55,200 --> 01:07:00,000

answer to that question is what I'm

1522

01:06:56,640 --> 01:07:01,520

saying like if you're an employer and

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01:07:00,000 --> 01:07:03,280

somebody has a question about the safe

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01:07:01,520 --> 01:07:06,480

forbearance just direct them to our

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01:07:03,280 --> 01:07:09,119

office right that you you all have no l

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01:07:06,480 --> 01:07:10,880

mean if you want to be super aware of

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01:07:09,119 --> 01:07:12,559

what's going on in the world of citones

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01:07:10,880 --> 01:07:14,480

yes great but like we don't that's not

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01:07:12,559 --> 01:07:15,920

an expectation is what I'm saying don't

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01:07:14,480 --> 01:07:17,920

worry about what the state forbearance is

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01:07:15,920 --> 01:07:22,359

is what I'm saying worry about the other

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01:07:17,920 --> 01:07:22,359

things that we we mentioned so far

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01:07:23,680 --> 01:07:28,079

okay you you've got the so there's a Q&A

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01:07:26,640 --> 01:07:30,240

question I'll just call it out so

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01:07:28,079 --> 01:07:32,240

Marilyn says just to clarify if an

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01:07:30,240 --> 01:07:34,400

employee is on an income-based repayment

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01:07:32,240 --> 01:07:37,880

plan they still qualify for the

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01:07:34,400 --> 01:07:37,880

forgiveness program

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01:07:38,079 --> 01:07:42,319

yes and in fact it is a requirement for

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01:07:40,559 --> 01:07:45,839

them to be in an income based repayment

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01:07:42,319 --> 01:07:47,599

plan for most people to qualify right so

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01:07:45,839 --> 01:07:51,039

yes they qualify if they're in an income

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01:07:47,599 --> 01:07:53,119

based repayment plan and they have for

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01:07:51,039 --> 01:07:56,480

no 99% of people they have to be on an

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01:07:53,119 --> 01:07:59,520

income b income driven repayment plan um

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01:07:56,480 --> 01:08:03,119

to to be able to qualify for PSLRF it's

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01:07:59,520 --> 01:08:06,000

part of the how the program is built

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01:08:03,119 --> 01:08:07,520

i'll add to that oh go ahead Amber i

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01:08:06,000 --> 01:08:10,079

have something I want to add about time

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01:08:07,520 --> 01:08:11,680

frames but um just to mark my spot in

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01:08:10,079 --> 01:08:15,119

case I forget again you guys can remind

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01:08:11,680 --> 01:08:17,040

me go ahead Amber um I will say so

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01:08:15,119 --> 01:08:19,600

obviously this presentation was focused

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01:08:17,040 --> 01:08:22,239

on public service loan forgiveness there

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01:08:19,600 --> 01:08:25,120

are other types of forgiveness programs

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01:08:22,239 --> 01:08:27,359

that exist for federal student loans um

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01:08:25,120 --> 01:08:31,279

that are completely unrelated to current

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01:08:27,359 --> 01:08:32,960

employment um and so um you know because

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01:08:31,279 --> 01:08:34,640

you mentioned incomebased repayment

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01:08:32,960 --> 01:08:37,199

there's a type of forgiveness with that

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01:08:34,640 --> 01:08:39,759

particular um repayment plan that's

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01:08:37,199 --> 01:08:42,159

again unrelated to employment so um

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01:08:39,759 --> 01:08:44,400

there are different types so kind of you

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01:08:42,159 --> 01:08:48,719

know um be kind of conscientious of that

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01:08:44,400 --> 01:08:51,120

and I will also mention um income driven

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01:08:48,719 --> 01:08:53,120

repayments is the kind of umbrella term

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01:08:51,120 --> 01:08:56,640

for any repayment plan that's based on

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01:08:53,120 --> 01:08:59,600

your income and family size um there are

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01:08:56,640 --> 01:09:01,040

different types of those um income

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01:08:59,600 --> 01:09:04,000

driven repayment plans that have

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01:09:01,040 --> 01:09:06,560

different names so um you might hear

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01:09:04,000 --> 01:09:10,400

income based income driven pay as you

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01:09:06,560 --> 01:09:13,040

earn those are all um types of income

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01:09:10,400 --> 01:09:14,880

driven payment plans um but they're not

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01:09:13,040 --> 01:09:19,239

all necessarily exactly the same but

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01:09:14,880 --> 01:09:19,239

they all do qualify for PSLF

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01:09:20,640 --> 01:09:25,839

i just wanted to highlight for from the

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01:09:23,199 --> 01:09:28,239

employer perspective to be aware that

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01:09:25,839 --> 01:09:32,400

there are protected

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01:09:28,239 --> 01:09:35,279

leave of absences that that don't change

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01:09:32,400 --> 01:09:38,640

an employees status so for example I am a

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01:09:35,279 --> 01:09:41,839

full-time employee i go out on paid

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01:09:38,640 --> 01:09:44,000

family medical leave or um whatever your

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01:09:41,839 --> 01:09:48,719

organization may call family medical

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01:09:44,000 --> 01:09:52,799

leave that is protected through the um

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01:09:48,719 --> 01:09:55,520

PSLF federal laws and an employees status

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01:09:52,799 --> 01:09:58,400

doesn't change if they were to be either

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01:09:55,520 --> 01:10:00,239

taking paid leave or even unpaid leave

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01:09:58,400 --> 01:10:03,360

during that period of time you as the

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01:10:00,239 --> 01:10:05,600

employer still see them as a full-time

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01:10:03,360 --> 01:10:07,600

employee what matters is their status

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01:10:05,600 --> 01:10:09,760

when they went out on the leave and

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01:10:07,600 --> 01:10:12,239

that's not the only type of leave i just

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01:10:09,760 --> 01:10:14,320

don't have them all memorized so I don't

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01:10:12,239 --> 01:10:16,080

I don't want to call out all the

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01:10:14,320 --> 01:10:19,040

different types so if Jessica or Amber

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01:10:16,080 --> 01:10:21,280

you guys have um anything you want to

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01:10:19,040 --> 01:10:23,520

add to that but that was a new learning

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01:10:21,280 --> 01:10:26,320

for me and and so I just want to

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01:10:23,520 --> 01:10:29,120

highlight that

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01:10:26,320 --> 01:10:31,040

just that um things like vacation time

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01:10:29,120 --> 01:10:34,560

so if if folks use their vacation time

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01:10:31,040 --> 01:10:36,560

or PTO um that's that's counting as like

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01:10:34,560 --> 01:10:39,040

towards their their full-time or you

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01:10:36,560 --> 01:10:40,560

know status right so um you don't

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01:10:39,040 --> 01:10:42,800

exclude those hours or anything like

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01:10:40,560 --> 01:10:42,800

that

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01:10:55,040 --> 01:11:01,760

oh my questions in the chat have been

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01:10:57,280 --> 01:11:03,040

answered at this point okay I'm fine you

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01:11:01,760 --> 01:11:04,800

know I'll give it maybe another minute

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01:11:03,040 --> 01:11:08,960

if someone's typing out a question on

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01:11:04,800 --> 01:11:12,960

the Q&A or the chat um

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01:11:08,960 --> 01:11:15,040

uh something I'll throw out there um if

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01:11:12,960 --> 01:11:16,800

there is something as an employer that

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01:11:15,040 --> 01:11:19,280

you think would be beneficial as a

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01:11:16,800 --> 01:11:22,159

resource that we can potentially work on

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01:11:19,280 --> 01:11:23,600

to provide please please reach out to us

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01:11:22,159 --> 01:11:26,239

put it in the chat now if you're like

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01:11:23,600 --> 01:11:27,920

"Oh this would be great." Um or if you

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01:11:26,239 --> 01:11:30,320

think of something later feel free to

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01:11:27,920 --> 01:11:32,640

send us an email um you know a lot of

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01:11:30,320 --> 01:11:34,400

our efforts um over the last couple of

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01:11:32,640 --> 01:11:36,480

years that this role has been around

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01:11:34,400 --> 01:11:38,480

have been borrower focused and so we're

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01:11:36,480 --> 01:11:40,080

really um you know keeping up the

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01:11:38,480 --> 01:11:41,679

borrower focused outreach and

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01:11:40,080 --> 01:11:44,080

presentations but we're really working

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01:11:41,679 --> 01:11:47,040

to um expand our outreach and

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01:11:44,080 --> 01:11:48,320

connections with employers and so um I

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01:11:47,040 --> 01:11:50,560

would say that that's kind of our next

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01:11:48,320 --> 01:11:53,600

step in in our development of resources

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01:11:50,560 --> 01:11:57,520

so um please share your ideas you know

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01:11:53,600 --> 01:11:59,600

this is a very collaborative um area um

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01:11:57,520 --> 01:12:01,040

you know as as Jessica mentioned at the

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01:11:59,600 --> 01:12:05,679

very beginning we're always working with

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01:12:01,040 --> 01:12:08,320

other um agencies other states um you

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01:12:05,679 --> 01:12:11,199

know on student loan topics so um we

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01:12:08,320 --> 01:12:12,800

welcome collaboration um and you know if

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01:12:11,199 --> 01:12:16,199

you have questions feel free to reach

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01:12:12,800 --> 01:12:16,199

out to us

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01:12:18,960 --> 01:12:22,719

yes Jessica do you want to talk about

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01:12:20,400 --> 01:12:25,040

that i just saw your post in the the

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01:12:22,719 --> 01:12:26,960

chat yes but I think we should answer

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01:12:25,040 --> 01:12:28,719

Rachel's question she has another

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01:12:26,960 --> 01:12:30,800

another question so she's asking about

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01:12:28,719 --> 01:12:33,280

when the next borrowers webinar is going

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01:12:30,800 --> 01:12:36,000

to be rachel we don't have one currently

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01:12:33,280 --> 01:12:37,360

scheduled but sometime soon and if

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01:12:36,000 --> 01:12:39,120

you're signed up to receive emails from

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01:12:37,360 --> 01:12:42,000

us you will get a notification when that

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01:12:39,120 --> 01:12:44,400

happens

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01:12:42,000 --> 01:12:47,640

um can you go to the next slide then

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01:12:44,400 --> 01:12:47,640

real quick

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01:12:56,239 --> 01:12:59,920

all right and while we're waiting to see

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01:12:58,000 --> 01:13:02,320

if anybody else has any more questions

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01:12:59,920 --> 01:13:05,440

right um again feel free to post those

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01:13:02,320 --> 01:13:07,920

in the chat or the Q&A uh we would love

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01:13:05,440 --> 01:13:10,560

if you could take five minutes of your

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01:13:07,920 --> 01:13:13,840

time to let us know how we're doing

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01:13:10,560 --> 01:13:16,800

right um so we have a very short survey

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01:13:13,840 --> 01:13:19,760

that I posted the link to um in the chat

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01:13:16,800 --> 01:13:21,440

for you um you also if you're tax savvy

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01:13:19,760 --> 01:13:25,120

can use the QR code on the screen right

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01:13:21,440 --> 01:13:30,239

now uh to be able to answer that

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01:13:25,120 --> 01:13:32,320

um you know that that that

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01:13:30,239 --> 01:13:33,760

survey for us um let us know how we're

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01:13:32,320 --> 01:13:37,280

doing let us know how this presentation

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01:13:33,760 --> 01:13:39,199

went and uh you can also there's a place

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01:13:37,280 --> 01:13:41,520

in that in that survey for you to let us

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01:13:39,199 --> 01:13:44,320

know any ideas that you have of things

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01:13:41,520 --> 01:13:47,760

that we can do for you as an employer

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01:13:44,320 --> 01:13:50,880

right to help you through the uh help

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01:13:47,760 --> 01:13:53,440

you help your employees um get PSLF

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01:13:50,880 --> 01:13:56,400

right um so if you could take a moment

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01:13:53,440 --> 01:13:58,239

to do that survey we would really really

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01:13:56,400 --> 01:14:00,080

appreciate it we we love getting

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01:13:58,239 --> 01:14:02,880

feedback about these presentations and

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01:14:00,080 --> 01:14:04,960

try to make them better every time so

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01:14:02,880 --> 01:14:08,400

thank you

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01:14:04,960 --> 01:14:09,840

yes and I would add that we're um

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01:14:08,400 --> 01:14:11,440

definitely would love feedback on this

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01:14:09,840 --> 01:14:13,920

presentation this is actually our first

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01:14:11,440 --> 01:14:15,679

I would say like public facing um

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01:14:13,920 --> 01:14:17,920

employer presentation that's a wider

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01:14:15,679 --> 01:14:19,199

spread we've done a couple of smaller

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01:14:17,920 --> 01:14:20,800

presentations with specific

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01:14:19,199 --> 01:14:23,679

organizations

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01:14:20,800 --> 01:14:25,840

um so um you know if you have feedback

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01:14:23,679 --> 01:14:27,520

on you know things that we can improve

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01:14:25,840 --> 01:14:29,760

um or what you really liked please

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01:14:27,520 --> 01:14:33,239

please please share that we very much

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01:14:29,760 --> 01:14:33,239

appreciate it

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01:14:41,360 --> 01:14:47,199

okay I haven't seen anything new uh as

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01:14:44,400 --> 01:14:50,000

far as questions pop up in the chat or

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01:14:47,199 --> 01:14:52,239

the Q&A so I think we're probably okay

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01:14:50,000 --> 01:14:54,719

to go ahead and end the webinar again

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01:14:52,239 --> 01:14:57,440

this webinar uh will be recorded and the

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01:14:54,719 --> 01:14:59,600

slides uh will be sent out um to

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01:14:57,440 --> 01:15:03,600

everyone who signed up to attend as well

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01:14:59,600 --> 01:15:08,080

as to our PSLF uh employer list

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01:15:03,600 --> 01:15:09,920

excuse me um uh and it'll also be posted

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01:15:08,080 --> 01:15:11,679

on our website so you will receive the

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01:15:09,920 --> 01:15:13,600

resources we have all the links

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01:15:11,679 --> 01:15:16,080

available um that we talked about for

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01:15:13,600 --> 01:15:17,679

both employers and employees um thank

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01:15:16,080 --> 01:15:20,000

you all very much for attending and

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01:15:17,679 --> 01:15:23,840

joining us today and we hope to connect

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01:15:20,000 --> 01:15:26,480

with you again in the future any

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01:15:23,840 --> 01:15:29,040

last words Terry or Jessica i just want

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01:15:26,480 --> 01:15:31,440

to say thanks um for being here thanks

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01:15:29,040 --> 01:15:33,440

for promoting public service loan

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01:15:31,440 --> 01:15:37,320

forgiveness and thanks for being an

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01:15:33,440 --> 01:15:37,320

advocate for your employees

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01:15:38,159 --> 01:15:42,800

yes thank you

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01:15:41,199 --> 01:15:45,760

hope everybody has a good rest of their

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01:15:42,800 --> 01:15:45,760

day