

April 2026 Newsletter



PROJECT UPDATES >>>

WHAT'S NEW: GO-LIVE UPDATE

With careful consideration of configuration, testing, and training requirements for the project's success, the go-live date has been updated. The change was approved by the Board of Supervisors this week, and we have a new go-live date of March 20, 2027.

To ensure all requirements were configured appropriately, the project team and implementation partners completed a Requirements Traceability Matrix. This exercise led to the identification of configuration gaps, which the team is working diligently to resolve. Work on the configuration gaps will continue through May. At the end of May, we will re-launch end-to-end testing. This re-launch will create a fresh start to end-to-end with an expanded pool of testers.

We are looking forward to the opportunities for thorough testing and comprehensive training that the updated timeline provides as we work toward go-live.

You can follow along with the project progress on the [Project Info Kern360](#) page or access the live financials side by visiting [Kern360 Financials Production](#).

WHAT'S NEXT

The new user interface for the Financials Production Tenant is set to launch on June 1. You'll see a refreshed look with homepage changes to improve navigation, but the functionality of the tenant will remain the same.

In our last newsletter, we previewed the essential changes you'll see when the update goes into effect. Check out the [User Interface Update Highlights](#) document to take another look.

Remember, you can log in to the live Financials platform today by following the instructions in the [Access Guide](#).

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SYSTEM FEATURE SPOTLIGHT

CAT LEAVE REQUESTS AND DONATIONS



KEYWORD CORNER

Tasks- When any step in a business process (see the definition of business process in the [Kern360 Resources Glossary](#)) requires your action, you receive a task. For example, if a timecard requires your approval, you'll have a task to approve your employee's timecard, or when the Benefits Team launches open enrolment, you'll have a task to select your benefits. All the tasks requiring your attention will show up in your My Tasks inbox. You'll can view tasks you've already completed in your Archive.



Catastrophic leave requests and donations allow employees who need leave support due to illness, care needs, and emergencies to receive help from employees willing to donate from their own leave balances. This important process is streamlined in Kern360.

The full catastrophic (CAT) leave request and donation process will be housed in Kern360 without any need to retrieve forms externally. Employees who wish to donate leave will also have a quick, easy, and transparent way to send their donations for approval. See our [CAT leave preview](#) for a look at the future of CAT leave requests and donations.

THE MORE YOU KNOW

CUSTOMIZING YOUR NAVIGATION



Your global navigation sidebar can be customized to make finding your essential tasks, apps, and reports quick and easy. One of our newest job aids shows you the new global navigation sidebar and walks you through how to customize your sidebar for your personal workflow in Kern360.

Check out instructions for [Customizing the Global Sidebar](#) on the [Kern360 Resources page](#).



BEHIND THE BUILD

Like Kern360, this section is under construction!

In an effort to bring you an insider's perspective on implementation, the Behind the Build feature is making some changes. In future issues, look for some Q&A with our featured team members giving you the inside scoop on some of the project's biggest highlights and challenges so far.

PRIZE ALERT!

Do you have questions or feedback? If you submit a question or comment the [Kern360 FAQ](#) by May 15, you'll be entered into an opportunity drawing!

The grand prize winner will receive a \$25 Amazon gift card, and two additional winners will get exclusive Kern360 swag.

See some of the questions and answers you and your coworkers have submitted by visiting the [FAQ page](#), and submit your own new questions and comments using the [FAQ form](#).

MARCH PRIZE WINNERS

Congratulations to our March prize winners—Ruth Tisdale, Dora Vega Azcarate, and Karina Montero! Thank you for joining the challenge!

Thank you for your continued flexibility and support. If you have questions or comments regarding the newsletter or the [Kern360 Project Portal](#) website, please contact stockwells@kerncounty.com.

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