

# Five County Association of Governments

## Emergency Small Business Grant Program

Five County Association of Governments has launched an Emergency Small Business Grant Program in response to COVID-19. The goal of the program is to assist small businesses located in Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane, and Washington County (Excluding St. George City) that have been hit hardest by the COVID-19 outbreak. Funding for the program is provided through the Utah State Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The CDBG program received additional funding to address COVID-19 through the recently passed CARES Act. Eligible businesses in Beaver, Garfield, Kane, and Washington County may apply for \$5,000. Eligible businesses in Iron County may apply for \$2,000.

Grant funds shall be utilized by businesses who are open or plan to reopen in compliance with State and County Health Orders. These funds are made available by an award from the CARES Act to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program which requires beneficiaries to meet a Low to Moderate Income (LMI) standard.

The LMI standard can be met in any of the following three ways,

1. The business owner is 80% or less of the Area Median Income (AMI), for businesses with five or less employees (owner included) only;
2. Business employees are 80% or less AMI;
3. Area that business serves is a LMI area. We will need documentation of your qualification.

*\*Businesses with five or less employees including the owner only need to qualify the owner. Businesses with more than five employees need to qualify the employees.*

There will be an attempt to aid as many businesses as possible, the filing of an application is not, nor should it be perceived to be, a guarantee of funding. Applicants should note that there is a set amount appropriated for these grants, and once this budgetary limit has been reached additional applications will not be considered.

Small Business Grant Program - Assistance to 6-20 Employees	Microenterprise Assistance to Businesses with <5 Employees including the business owners
<p><b>Description:</b></p> <p><b>Requirements:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Business has been negatively impacted by COVID19.</li><li>2. Have 6-20 employees.</li><li>3. Have a current business license.</li><li>4. Ability to document and report on the use of funds if received.</li></ol> <p><b>Eligible Uses:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Rent &amp; Utilities</li><li>2. Payroll</li><li>3. Outstanding debt</li><li>4. Other immediate operational costs</li><li>5. Cleaning and disinfecting</li></ol>	<p><b>Description:</b></p> <p><b>Requirements:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Business has been negatively impacted by COVID19.</li><li>2. Have 5 or fewer employees including business owners.</li><li>3. Have a current business license.</li><li>4. Ability to document and report on the use of funds if received.</li></ol> <p><b>Eligible Uses:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Rent &amp; Utilities</li><li>2. Payroll</li><li>3. Outstanding debt</li><li>4. Other immediate operational costs</li><li>5. Cleaning and disinfecting</li></ol>

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Eligible businesses in Beaver, Garfield, Kane, and Washington County (excluding St. George) may apply for \$5,000. Eligible businesses in Iron County may apply for \$2,000.	
*At least 70% of the total allocation must be of benefit to low to moderate income individuals/households/businesses.	
* these funds cannot be used for Duplication of Benefit. A duplication occurs when a beneficiary receives assistance from multiple sources for a cumulative amount that exceeds the total need for a recovery purpose.	

Here is the link for the application: <https://zoomgrants.com/gprop.asp?donorid=2231&limited=2939>

Applications for this grant close on 08/07/2020