County of Bladen

Economic Development Commission

EMERGENCY LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS FUNDING APPLICATION

The purpose of the County of Bladen Economic Development Emergency Local Small Business Funding Program is to assist Bladen County-based small businesses that are experiencing financial difficulties such as mandated shutdowns, employee layoffs, and operating losses as a result of ongoing efforts nationwide to contain and minimize the spread of the Covid-19 virus pandemic.

Bladen County-based businesses that are interested in the Emergency Local Small Business Funding Program should complete this application and begin to collect the required documents as outlined below. **The deadline for submitting application is September 1, 2020**. However, applications will be accepted for approval on a first come, first served basis until funds are depleted. Submission of application and adherence to stated guidelines does not guarantee funding.

General Terms and Conditions:

Open to locally owned Bladen County, North Carolina based for-profit businesses
Minimum of one-year in operation
Ineligible businesses include, but are not limited to, companies involved in real estate investment, multi-level marketing, or adult entertainment. Companies with delinquent property tax liabilities are not eligible
Maximum grant of: up to $2,500

Each of the eligible uses of funds below will be evaluated in the context of being necessary for businesses to provide services in a different manor due to "social distancing" requirements or mandated closures caused by COVID-19:

Reimburse business funds used to purchase PPE, cleaning, sanitizing supplies, etc. - related to Covid-19
Fund tenant up-fit and lease-hold improvements to the business that complies with CDC guidelines

Information Required as Attachments:

Proof of payment and invoices for items such as PPE, cleaning, sanitizing or renovations.
Completed IRS W9

Mail Applications to:	**Or Fax to:**	**Or Email to:**
Bladen County EDC Attn: COVID Funding 218-A Aviation Parkway Elizabethtown, NC 28337	910-645-2293	edc@bladenco.org and finance@bladenco.org

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1. BUSINESS INFORMATION

Legal Business Name:	Business phone:
Business Address (street, apt. #):	City, State, Zip:
Is this business a franchise? _____Yes _____No	If yes, name of Franchise:
Do you have a current North Carolina Business License? _____Yes _____No	If yes, provide license number:
Please provide a brief description of your business:	
How long has your business been in operation?	
What is the legal entity of your business? ____Corporation ____LLC ____Sole Proprietorship ____Other	
Do you own 100% of the business?	_____Yes _____No
If no, please list owners with more than 20% interest in the company (each have to fill out a separate application):	
Number of employees, including yourself: _____	Full Time: _____ Part Time: _____
Have you laid off or furloughed any of your workforce?	_____Yes _____No Full Time: _____ Part Time: _____

2. OUTLINE FUNDING REQUEST

Have you applied for funding from other sources (local, state, federal):	_____Yes _____No	
If yes, have you received funding from any of these agencies?	Amount: _____	Source: _____
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Grant Amount Requested: _____	Up to $2,500 Grant	
When did your business begin to experience revenue loss due to COVID-19?	Date: _____	
Has your business been mandated to close by a local or state authority?	_____Yes _____No	If yes, Date: _____
Please describe the eligible use of funds (as outlined above) that you are requesting:		
Describe how company has been impaired by COVID-19: (attach a separate sheet if necessary)		

3. APPLICATION QUESTION

Are you a US Citizen or legal resident?	_____Yes _____No

Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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For BCEDC Use Only:

Date received:	Date business contacted if incomplete:
Approved:	Declined:
Date closed:	Date client notified:

Only completed applications will be considered for approval.