

City of Beaumont Household Assistance Grant Program

Introduction

Beginning in March 2020, many Beaumont families began to experience significant economic impacts and hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Many businesses were forced to close their doors or restrict their hours of operations due primarily to State and County health orders. As a result, Beaumont households experienced reductions in income, furloughs or layoffs. Even though these orders have been abated to some degree over the past several months, many businesses remain closed or remain subject to severe restrictions on operations which continue to exacerbate the economic impacts on households throughout the community.

Strong, viable neighborhoods are the backbone of the community. By assisting those households that have been hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic the City of Beaumont is helping to ensure that quality of life and economic viability are protected. The Beaumont City Council has created a Household Assistance Grant program to aid certain households who have experienced negative economic impacts since March 1, 2020, and has made \$100,000 available for disbursement through the program.

This grant program is targeted toward households in the City of Beaumont that can demonstrate income losses since March 1, 2020. Qualified households may be eligible to receive a one-time grant in the amount ranging from \$500 for single member households to \$1,500 for households with families of two or more.

Who Qualifies?

Households must meet specific criteria including those listed below to be eligible for consideration:

1. Must be a permanent resident of the City of Beaumont who has resided in the City since January 1, 2020.
2. Must be able to demonstrate income loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic from no earlier than March 1, 2020.
3. Household members for whom income is to be considered must be at least 18 years of age.
4. Combined household income can not exceed 80% of the adjusted median income for Riverside County.

What Kind of Assistance is Provided?

Successful grant recipients will receive a one-time grant award in the amount of \$500 for a household with one permanent resident or a one-time grant in the amount of \$1,500 for a household with more two or more permanent residents.

There is not restriction on the use of funds by the grant recipient(s).

When Will Grants be Awarded?

Grant applications will be accepted from November 1, 2020, through the close of business on November 15, 2020. Successful grant awards will be determined by December 1, 2020, and disbursed thereafter.

How Will Grants be Awarded?

This is a non-competitive grant with awards being made based on qualifications. A random drawing will be conducted should the number of qualified applicants exceed the funding available. Should a drawing be required it will be conducted on a random basis via YouTube.

Is A Household Disqualified If It Has Received County, State or Federal Financial Assistance?

Households who have already received financial assistance from any other County, State or Federal program are not disqualified. However, preference will be given to those households who have not received financial assistance through another program.

What Else Do I Need to Know?

Additional criteria and requirements may be found in the Household Assistance Grant Program Application.

What Must be Submitted?

The following items must be submitted for an application to be considered complete and eligible for consideration:

1. Completed Grant Application with Signature(s), and
2. All Documents/Evidence to Support Information Provided by the Applicant on the Grant Application.

Hard copies of completed grant applications with wet signatures must be submitted to the City of Beaumont by the application deadline. No digital copies will be accepted.

Who May I Contact?

For more information contact _____, _____, at www._____.@beaumontca.gov or call 951-769-8520.