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Small Business Grant Program

Overview

Columbus Consolidated Government has partnered with StartUP Columbus and the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce to develop and administer a business relief grant program. The City of Columbus ARP-Business Grant Program will assist small businesses in Columbus that have been negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Read complete details »

Hospitality / Tourism Grant Program

Overview

Columbus Consolidated Government has partnered with StartUP Columbus and the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce to develop and administer a hospitality and tourism relief grant program. The City of Columbus ARP-Hospitality/Tourism Grant Program will assist hospitality and tourism merchants and vendors in Columbus that have been negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Read complete details »

NonProfit Grant Program

Overview

Columbus Consolidated Government has partnered with StartUP Columbus and the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce to develop and administer a relief grant program specifically designated for Nonprofit organizations. The City of Columbus ARP-Nonprofit Grant Program will assist Nonprofit organizations in Columbus that have been negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Read complete details »

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Reimbursable Expenses

- Space Costs
 - Rent
 - Mortgage
 - Insurance Costs

*Awarded firms seeking Reimbursement for space costs must provide a copy of their Lease or Mortgage Agreement that clearly states the time period that they are responsible for these costs, and what the monthly cost for these expenses are.

Reimbursable Expenses

- Utilities Costs
 - Electric
 - Water
 - Gas
 - Phone
 - Internet

*Awarded firms seeking Reimbursement for Utility costs must provide copies of the bill(s) from the Utility provider that clearly associate with the firm and their location of operation. The bill(s) must also clearly state the amount due from the firm and be separated from any non-business-related expenses.

Reimbursable Expenses

- Operational Retrofitting
 - Building modification expenses to support enhanced business persistence.

*Awarded firms seeking Reimbursement for operational retrofitting costs must provide copies of an invoice from a licensed contractor, any applicable lien waivers proof of payment, permit receipts, as well as proof of occupancy certification if applicable.

Small Business Grant

- Up to \$3,000,000 is available for the ARP-Business Relief Grant Program.
- Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.
- Applications will be accepted until all available funds are expended.
- Up to \$40,000 in Reimbursable Expenses

Small Business Eligibility

• For Profit businesses that are NOT publicly traded, partially owned by a hedge fund, or a corporate owned franchise

• For Profit businesses that have a current City of Columbus business license

• For-profit businesses located in City of Columbus with 1-25 employees at time of application to the Business Grant Program

• For Profit businesses with a physical presence of an organization or business in a building or other structure in the City of Columbus

Small Business Eligibility

• For Profit businesses who can demonstrate ongoing business operations since March 1, 2019

• For Profit businesses that are not in bankruptcy, current with all local, state, and Federal taxes, fees, and be in compliance with all City of Columbus business obligations including, but not be limited to, licensure, insurance, tax obligations

• For Profit businesses that are operational at the time the grant is awarded

Small Business Required Documents

- Valid state issued photo ID of business owner/signatory & signed and notarized E-Verify Affidavit
- Current Columbus, GA Business License
- 2019 Annual Profit and Loss Statement
- Applicable IRS Tax Forms
- Quarterly Profit and Loss Statement
- Completed W-9 form for business
- W3 Summary or IRS Form 941
- Business Operating Agreement (for businesses with multiple partners)

Nonprofit Grant

- Up to \$1,000,000 is available for the ARP-NonProfit Relief Grant Program.
- Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.
- Applications will be accepted until all available funds are expended.
- Up to \$25,000 in Reimbursable Expenses for agencies with a minimum operating budget of \$100,000.
- Up to \$12,500 in Reimbursable Expenses for agencies with a minimum operating budget of \$50,000.

Nonprofit Eligibility

- Nonprofit organizations must have an active 501(c)(3) designation status from the Internal Revenue Service with a minimum two year operating history
- Nonprofit organizations that have a current City of Columbus business license
- Nonprofit organizations physically located in City of Columbus
- Nonprofit organizations with a physical presence in a building or other structure in the City of Columbus

Nonprofit Eligibility

- Nonprofit organizations who can demonstrate ongoing business operations since March 1, 2019.
- Nonprofit organizations must have a current written strategic or business plan for the organization

Nonprofit Required Documents

- A copy of the 501(c) (3) designation letter from the Internal Revenue Service
- A current certification from the GA Secretary of State.
- List of organization Board of Directors
- Applicable IRS Tax Forms
- NonProfit Organization By-Laws
- Current Strategic Plan

Hospitality / Tourism Grant

- Up to \$850,000 is available for the ARP- Hospitality / Tourism Grant Program.
- Applications open to both for profit and nonprofit entities.
- Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.
- Applications will be accepted until all available funds are expended.
- Up to \$25,000 in Reimbursable Expenses

Hospitality / Tourism Grant Eligibility (For Profit)

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- For Profit businesses that have a current City of Columbus business license
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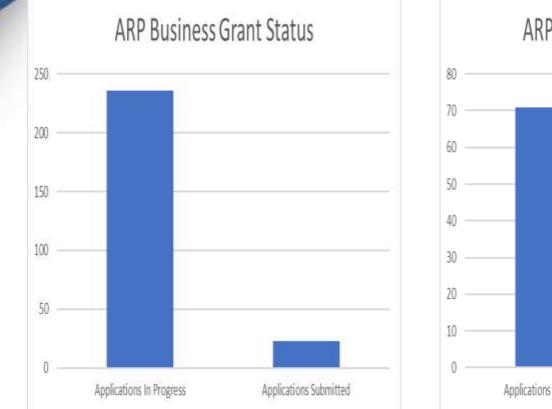
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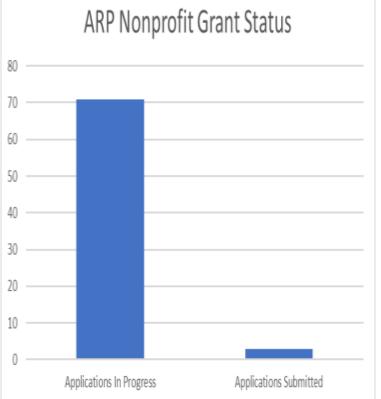
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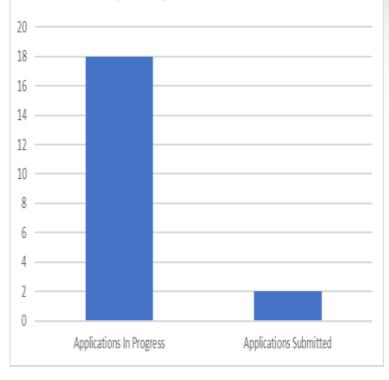
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ARP Grant Program Statistics





ARP Hospitality / Tourism Grant Status



Applications in Progress = 236 Applications submitted= 23 Applications in Progress = 71 Applications submitted= 3

Applications in Progress = 18 Applications submitted= 2



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Comments or Questions?