

## SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION

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On behalf of the San Juan County Board of Commissioners, we express our strong support for the funding application submitted for the San Juan County Small Business Assistance Grant Proposal.

As a designated distressed County within Utah, San Juan County faces significant economic challenges, including limited taxable land, a declining population, and constrained opportunities for commercial development. This request for additional funding represents a crucial step toward addressing these issues by providing financial assistance to local small businesses, fostering economic growth, and ensuring long-term sustainability for our community.

The initiatives outlined in this project—ranging from targeted grant programs to small business training workshops—demonstrate a thoughtful and impactful approach to strengthening the local economy. By equipping small businesses with the tools and resources needed to succeed, this program will help create jobs, enhance community services, and build resilience in the face of ongoing challenges.

We are confident in the potential of this project to make a meaningful difference in San Juan County. With support from matching funding partners and a clear plan for execution, the proposal offers an unparalleled opportunity to stimulate economic activity and improve the quality of life for our residents.

We respectfully request that you give this funding application your full consideration. This initiative has the potential to transform our communities, and your support would be instrumental in helping us realize this vision.

Thank you for your time and consideration.
Sincerely,
San Juan County Board of Commissioners