

MACOMB COUNTY Grants

Macomb County Planning and Economic Development has three grant opportunities to help small businesses dealing with the impact of COVID-19.

The three new grant opportunities include:

- The **Microenterprise Assistance Grant Program**, which is funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Up to \$2 million is available to help local businesses impacted by COVID-19. This program will provide grant funding to qualified microenterprises (five employees or less, including the owner) that have lost revenue or incurred additional costs as a result of COVID-19. Applications will be accepted September 1 at 9 a.m. through September 30 at 11:59 a.m. Eligibility may vary depending on individual communities and income level restrictions are applicable.
- The **Workplace Safety Grant**, which is funded through Macomb County's federal CARES Act allocation. Up to \$10 million is available to reimburse local small businesses for personal protective equipment (PPE) and technology. Businesses with 500 or fewer employees may submit up to \$20,000 in PPE and technology receipts dated March 16, 2020 through September 30, 2020 for reimbursement. Submissions will close on September 30 or when funds are exhausted. Examples of reimbursable items include hand sanitizer, plexiglass, HVAC UV scrubbers, face shields, masks, mobile devices, laptop, tablets and/or software for remote meeting or connections such as Zoom or Webex.
- **Online Business Connect Program**, which is also funded through Macomb County's federal CARES Act allocation. Up to \$5 million is available to help local small businesses get online. This program will issue vouchers up to \$10,000 to customer-facing businesses that need online functionality due to social distancing restrictions. This includes creating or improving websites, social media or e-commerce stores. Submissions will be accepted through September 30 or when funds are exhausted. Work performed must be under contractual obligation through vetted vendors and completed by November 30, 2020.

Businesses that previously received grant funding through the Macomb County Sustainability Program are eligible to apply for all three new grant programs, as long as the previous grant money was not used for these expenses.

Individuals interested in applying can visit <https://business.macombgov.org/business-Macomb-County-Grant-Opportunities>

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