





## **GRANT INFORMATION**

Through a Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Block Grant program, Tazewell County established a local \$800,000.00 grant fund, known as the Tazewell County Virginia Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant, to support the small and non-profit recovery efforts following the COVID-19 outbreak. Tazewell County has partnered with the Tazewell County Chamber of Commerce to administer this grant. The program is also supported by the Town of Bluefield, Town of Cedar Bluff, Town of Pocahontas, Town of Richlands, Town of Tazewell, this is a one-time grant of up to \$10,000 being provided to businesses in the Tazewell County to offset business impacts during the pandemic. The grant program is administered by the Tazewell County Chamber of Commerce under the oversight of a local management team. There is no fee to apply and businesses do <u>not</u> need to be a member of the Tazewell County Chamber of Commerce in order to apply.

#### Overview

Round I - Applications will be accepted starting March 1 – March 19, 2021 and will be awarded on a first come first serve basis. There may be a round II for applications at a later date.

There is <u>no guarantee</u> that all businesses, will be eligible under this grant program.

Businesses must explain how they have been harmed by the COVID-19 pandemic to be eligible for this program. Ultimately DHCD has final approval of all fund distributions and they will rely heavily upon the applicant's explanation in their decision making.

Each business may receive up to a maximum total of \$10,000.

## **GRANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Businesses/nonprofits in the region meeting <u>ALL</u> of the following eligibility criteria are encouraged to apply:

- 1. Must be locally or regionally owned or operated, and
- 2. Must have at least one (1) full time employee which includes sole proprietors, and
- 3. Must have twenty (20) or fewer full-time equivalent employees (FTE's)

## *Note:* **2 Part Time (PTE) = 1FTE**, and

- 4. Must verify that they were operational pre-COVID-19 (March 12, 2020) and are realizing a direct negative impact from COVID-19 (e.g. revenue loss, reduced sales, closure or suspended operation, employment decline, business interruption, etc.), and
- 5. Must not have already received federal CARES Act assistance from any other source for the exact same expenses requested by this application (no duplication of reimbursement), and
- 6. Must provide local or regional services, and
- 7. Must be an operating business/nonprofit located in Tazewell County including the Towns within Town of Bluefield, Town of Cedar Bluff, Town of Pocahontas, Town of Richlands, Town of Tazewell
- 8. Must be current on all local fees, permits and taxes as of the date of the application, and
- 9. Must possess a valid Town of Bluefield, Town of Cedar Bluff, Town of Pocahontas, Town of Richlands, Town of Tazewell business license if required to have one by the locality where the business is physically located.

## **ELIGIBLE GRANT USES**

The aim of the grant program is to help businesses re-open and or remain operational while meeting their long term goals by adjusting to COVID-19 demands. Requests for grant funds may include:

- Rent expenses (lease or mortgage) falling between April 1, 2020 and the date of the application may be reimbursed for a maximum of 6 months or \$10,000; whichever occurs first. Home based businesses may receive up to 25% of the business owner's rent or mortgage, not to exceed six months. Awards are based on submission of a copy of a current signed lease, mortgage or loan statement and proof of rent/mortgage payment(s) for the month(s) requested. Some applicants will receive less than 6 months of rent/mortgage reimbursement while others will receive less than \$10,000.

Example 1 (receiving less than 6 months of rent/mortgage reimbursement): applicant pays \$3,000/month in rent/mortgage

will receive the maximum of \$10,000.

Example 2: (receiving less than \$10,000 of rent/mortgage reimbursement): applicant pays \$1,000/month in rent/mortgage will receive the maximum of 6 months of rent/mortgage reimbursement or \$6,000. Under no circumstances will advance rent/mortgage costs be awarded (rent/mortgage occurring after the date of the grant award).

## **INELIGIBLE GRANT USES**

Businesses cannot be reimbursed for the below listed items under the terms and guidelines of this particular grant. The list is offered as clarity for applicants so that unnecessary time in completing the application process can be saved and disappointment avoided.

If you are not sure whether your particular expense is covered, please contact Lori Stacy, 276-988-5091 / Pam Warden, 276-385-1271 / Denise Harmon, 276-385-1203 to discuss. While you may not qualify for this particular grant there may be other programs which you can be directed to for assistance.

- Rent or mortgage payments prior to March 12, 2020.
- Expense(s) already covered by CARES funds received from other sources (no duplication of reimbursements).
- Any unlawful activity as defined by federal, state and or local laws.

#### **GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

- 1. Each business/non-profit must complete and submit a grant application, signed by the business owner, outlining the use of funds and how the funds will help sustain business operations in the Tazewell County.
- 2. A DUNS number is required; no application will be processed without this number.
- 3. Non-profit must submit a copy of their 501 c 3 determination letter. Your organization **MUST** provide service without regard to protected class status to be eligible.
- 4. The maximum amount of a grant award *for rent/mortgage* will not exceed 6 months or \$10,000; whichever occurs first.
- 5. The maximum total amount of a grant award will not exceed \$10,000 per business.
- 6. Grants will not be awarded for the exact same rent/mortgage already covered by CARES funds received from any other source (no duplication of reimbursement).
- 7. Copies of lease, mortgage or loan statement and proof of *paid* rent/mortgage must be presented.
- 8. Funds are available on a first-come, first-serve basis until funds are depleted or December 15, 2021; whichever occurs first.

How to apply (Electronic submissions are accepted): Application packets may be mailed or emailed to Tazewell County Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 672, Tazewell, VA 24651 beginning March 1, 2021. info@tazewellchamber.org

The application form is available for download at <u>www.tazewellchamber.com</u>. Hard copy applications may be picked up from the following locations:

Tazewell County Chamber of Commerce, 165 Chamber Drive, Tazewell, VA 24651 Tazewell County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651

**ALL Town Halls** - Town of Bluefield, Town of Cedar Bluff, Town of Pocahontas, Town of Richlands, Town of Tazewell

For information or questions please contact: Lori Stacy, Tazewell County Chamber of Commerce

Phone: 276-988-5091 Email: info@tazewellchamber.org

Pam Warden, Economic Development Manager

Phone: 276-385-1271 Email: <a href="mailto:pwarden@tazewellcounty.org">pwarden@tazewellcounty.org</a>

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## Small and Non Profit Business COVID-19 Recovery Grant

Tazewell County Virginia

## **APPLICATION**

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Refer to the Tazewell County Small and Non Profit Business Recovery Grant Information Sheet, attached to this application form for detailed information regarding the grant. Please be sure to fill in all information. Missing information will delay processing of your application.

	I hereby certify that my business (please initials each line):  Is locally or regionally owned or operated (corporately-owned national chains are not eligible)				
Business Eligibility	Provides local or regional services				
	Suffered negative impacts from closure (mandated or voluntary, full or partial) in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.  Was operational prior to March 12, 2020				
	Has at least 1 full-time employee (sole proprietors included)				
	Has fewer than 20 full-time equivalent (FTE) employees at the time of applying (2 part-time equivalent to 1FTE)				
	Has not already received federal CARES Act assistance from any other source for the exact same expenses requested in this application				
	Has a valid Town of Bluefield, Town of Cedar Bluff, Town of Pocahontas, Town of Richlands, Town of Tazewell business license if required by the locality where the business is physically located				
	Is current on all local fees, taxes and permits as of date of this application				
	Is currently operational <b>OR</b> plans to reopen no later than				
	Note: IF the business does not reopen by the above date, the applicant may request an extension of the opening date with an explanation of the cause of delay. Should an applicant fail to open, all grant funds must be repaid, in full, within 30 calendar days of the written agreed upon opening date.				
	The following documents are required to be submitted (please initial each line):				
	Original application form signed by the business owner; email and fax copies are not accepted				
ist	A <b>copy</b> of your current business license if one is required				
ck L	Original signed IRS Form W-9 Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification				
Check List	Provide a <b>copy</b> of your Non-profit 501 C 3 determination letter. Your organization <b>MUST</b> provide service without regard to protected class status to be eligible.				
	A copy of your lease, mortgage or loan statement for requesting rent reimbursement				
	Copies of canceled checks or other proof of rent/mortgage payment				

**APPLICATION Continued (page 2 of 3)** 

	Legal Business Name:							
	(Grant checks will be written to this entity)							
	Trading as (IF Applicable):							
	Physical Address:							
	<b>Business located in:</b> Town of Bluef							
	Town of Ceda	ar Bluff  Town of Richlands  Tazewell County						
	Mailing address (if different than physical address):							
	Business Contact Person:							
	Phone:							
	Lease or Own Building:	Email:Email:						
		Home or Commercial Based:						
III	<b>Business Start Date:</b>							
		DUNS #: No application will be processed without this #. Directions for						
Business Information		obtaining DUNS # follow page 3 of this application form. If you						
5	Entity Type (select all	need help obtaining a DUNS number, please contact us.						
	applicable types):	fit Nonprofit Locally Owned Franchise						
	Indepen	ndent Brokerage						
	☐ Veteran	Owned						
	Number Full Time Equivalent (FTE) - 2 Part Time (PTE) = 1FTE							
	On 3/12/20 # of Employees On date of application # of Employees							
	Why did the business close (fully or partially) during the COVID-19 health emergency?  (check all that apply)							
	State mandate	Not enough customer demand						
		ruption Workforce availability						
	Health and safety	y concerns Other:						
		Primary business type (select one):						
	Arts, Entertainment, Recreation	Hotel and Accommodations Professional, Technical, Business Services						
	Child Care, Education, Instruction	Information Technology, Repair and Maintenance						
	Construction, Engineering, Design	Broadcasting, Publishing Services  Manufacturing Restaurant, Food Services						
	Services Services							
Business Function	Distribution, Logistics, Warehousing	Personal Services (barber/beauty Transportation shop, nail salon, fitness, dry cleaner, etc						
	Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	Private Household Services Other						
	Health and Medical Services	Retail – please specify:						

## **APPLICATION Continued (page 3 of 3)**

Total amount of grant funds being requested: \$\square\$	Max \$10,000.00
Each paid receipt/invoice must list the bank/lender or landlord/business to which and the date of payment. Please use the space below to briefly explain how your COVID-19 pandemic. You may use a separate sheet if you wish.	
(Loss of Revenue/Temporarily Closure/Loss of Employees/Increase of Supplies,	Etc.)
Applicant Signature and Certification	on
I covenant to save, defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Commonwealth of Virginia, of Cedar Bluff, Town of Pocahontas, Town of Richlands, Town of Tazewell, and or the all officers, departments, agencies, agents and employees thereof from and against any arpenalties, costs including court costs and attorney's fees, charges, liability or exposure, hor in any way connected with this application.	Tazewell County, Town of Bluefield, Town Tazewell County Chamber of Commerce and all claims, losses, damages, injuries, fines,
I authorize the internal use of this information for the grant analysis. The Applicant acknowled voluntarily provided by the Applicant will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by other applicable laws and regulations.	
I certify that the information I have submitted is correct to the best of my knowledge. I a Tazewell County and/or their agents including the Tazewell Chamber of Commerce to maccuracy of the statements and information made by me in the application.	
WARNING: Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code makes it willfully false statement or misrepresentation to any Department or Agent matter within its jurisdiction.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Business Owner's Signature	Date

## **How To Obtain a DUNS Number**

A DUNS (Data Universal Numbering System) number is <u>required</u> of each applicant applying for grant funds. This number is used to identify organizations and companies receiving federal funds and provides consistent name and address data for grant application systems.

Obtaining a DUNS number is relatively simple and is a one-time process. Businesses can receive a DUNS number at NO COST by applying online at <a href="http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform">http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform</a>.

To create a new DUNS Number within the United States, there are a couple of things you will need before submitting your request:

- You will need 2 documents to complete this process
  - The documents must match the <u>Correct Legal Business Name</u> at the <u>Current Physical</u> Address.
  - Do Not Include personal information such as Driver's License, Passport, Social Security, Banking Statements, etc. (See examples of accepted documents below)
  - For Sole Proprietorship companies, ensure the documentation contains <u>Your Full Legal</u> <u>Name</u> and <u>Current Physical Address</u>.

### **Examples of Accepted Documents** to Create a New DUNS Number:

- Secretary of State Articles of Incorporation
- Secretary of State receipt of Filing
- Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) Confirmation Letter
- Employer Identification Number (EIN) Confirmation Letter
- DBA / Assumed Name Certificate Filing
- Lease Agreement
- Mortgage
- Phone or Internet Bill
- Utility Bill
- Homeowners or Renters Insurance
- City or State Tax Permit
- DBA/Assumed Name filing
- Invoice from a third party
- Proof of Insurance





## **Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant**

## **Performance Agreement**

l, <b>Name</b>	, am the owner of <i>business</i>	name	and have the legal					
authority to e	nter into this contract on its behalf. As part of the	conditions of <i>business name</i> _						
receiving \$	in funds from the <b>County of Tazewell</b> from	their <b>Small Business Recovery</b>	y Assistance Grant, I make the					
following state	ements under penalty of perjury:							
officers, depar	save, defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Co tments, agencies, agents and employees thereof penalties, costs including court costs and attorne	from and against any and all cl	laims, losses, damages,					
-	, arising out of, or in any way connected with my		osare, nowever caasea,					
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	e internal use of any information gathered for the	· ·						
	cknowledges that all proprietary information voluntarily provided by <b>Name on application</b> will be ept confidential to the extent permitted by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and other applicable laws and egulations.							
and its partne	ne information I have submitted is correct to the lar entities to make inquiries as necessary to verify ag for, receiving, and administering this program.	·						
how the grant	edge and understand that I will be required to sulfunds were spent, and the benefit it brought to trequired to pay back all grant funds.							
<b>Grant</b> . I under If there is a du	eived financial assistance for the items that I have stand that there can be no duplication of benefits plication of benefits those funds will have to be r nally liable for the repayment of these funds.	s from funds provided by this p	program and any other source.					
WARNING: Se	hat these funds are from state, and/or federal soc ction 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code m ntation to any Department or Agency of the Unite	nakes it a criminal offense to m	ake a willfully false statement					
Printed Name	of Business Owner, and Name of Business	Signature of Business Ow	ner and Date					
Printed name County of Taz	and date of Authorized Representative ewell	Signature of Authorized R County of Tazewell	Representative of					

## Form W-9 Commonwealth of Virgini Substitute W-9 Form

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification



	☐ Social Security Numb		Please select the appropriate Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN or SSN) type and enter your 9 digit ID number. The EIN or SSN provided must match the name given on the "Legal Name" line to avoid backup withholding. If you do not have a Tax ID number, please reference "Specific Instructions - Section 1." If the account is in more						
			than one name, provide the name of the individual who is recognized with the IRS as the responsible party.						
	Dunn & Bradstreet Universinstructions)	sal Numbering System (DUNS) (see	Legal Name:						
			Business Name:						
_	E	ntity Type	Entity Classification		Exemptions (see instructions)				
atio	□ Individual	☐ Corporation	☐ Professional Service	es	Exempt payee code (if any):				
tific	☐ Sole Proprietorship	☐ S-Corporation	☐ Political Subdivision	n □ Legal Services	(ii airy).				
Section 1 -Taxpayer Identification	☐ Partnership	☐ C-Corporation	☐ Real Estate Agent	☐ Joint Venture	(from backup withholding)				
paye	☐ Trust ☐ Disregarded Entity		☐ VA Local Governme	ent Tax Exempt Organization	Exemption from FATCA reporting				
-Тах	☐ Estate ☐ Limited Liability Company		☐ Federal Governmen	nt OTH Government	code (if any):				
tion 1	Government	☐ Partnership	□ VA State Agency	☐ Other					
Sec	□ Non-Profit	☐ Corporation							
	Contact Information								
	Legal Address:		Name:						
			Email Address:						
	City:	State : Zip Code:	Business Phone:						
	Remittance Address:		Fax Number:						
			Mobile Phone:						
	City:	State : Zip Code:	Alternate Phone:						
Section 2 - Certification	Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:  1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or c) the IRS has notified me that I a no longer subject to backup withholding, and 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined later in general instructions), and 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.								
	Printed Name:				Date:				