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## We work hard for you.

Wishing you all the best for this long Labor Day weekend. And how wonderful for indoor dining to return at 25% today also. If you are a business and have not taken a look at the following grant program already - please do. As of this week there are still funds available, but it is first-come, first-served. We're happy to help you apply. Feel free to reach out any time to isaac@downtownmetuchen.org. Thanks and have a safe and enjoyable weekend!

Isaac D. Kremer Executive Director

## COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant Program

Has your small business been impacted by COVID-19? Small businesses and nonprofits with no more than 50 employees may be eligible for a grant up to \$30,000. Know another business owner? Forward this to them!

Through the Federal CARES Act, small businesses may apply for reimbursement for COVID-19 related loss of revenue, expenses incurred, and/or continuation of services.

### **Application Available Now**

#### Funding

- Total Middlesex County Grant Fund Amount: \$30 Million
- Funding Capped at \$30,000 per application
- Available on a First-Come, First-Served Basis Simple Application Process:
- Read the Program Guidelines & FAQ
- Complete Online Application
- Post-Award Business Follow-Up Eligibility

#### **Defining Small Businesses:**

- Independently or family-owned businesses with no more than 50
  - employees

- Documented business interruption as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic
- and related emergency declaration, resulting in financial loss.
- Businesses must have been open and operating on March 1, 2020
- · Businesses deemed "non-essential" within the classification of
- "Businesses Required to Close" as per the Governor's Executive Order
- No. 104, dated March 16, 2020
- Must be a Sole Proprietorship, LLC/LLP, S-Corporation, Corporation, Nonprofit\* or Partnership
- · Active businesses physically located in Middlesex County, with a net
- annual business income of less than \$1,000,000 based on their last
- federal tax return
- \*Nonprofits only eligible for reimbursement of increased incurred expenses, not loss of revenue.

#### **Exclusions:**

 Not eligible for any expenses or loss of revenues previously reimbursed by State or Federal CARES Act funding, CDBG Grants, PPP Grants or Loans, private insurance, or any other COVID-19 relief program.

#### Learn More <u>www.middlesexcountynj.gov/mcsbrg</u> 732-745-3890

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#### In the News...

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