## **New Funds Available!**

The application portal is open now through 5 p.m. April 9 at www.commercegrants.com

Materials are available in 16 languages.

## Grant Review Webinar Friday, April 2nd 10-11 am

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IMPORTANT NOTE: Applicants who previously applied for earlier Working Washington grants will need to create a new account and reapply. Criteria is different than earlier programs and the application platform is new – your prior grant application activity will not port over to this program.

## **Eligibility:**

These grants are aimed at **for-profit small businesses** in industries that have hard costs associated with their operations, and faced the most significant challenges to paying those hard costs because they were required to close. Hard costs include but are not limited to rent, utilities, payroll or personal protective equipment.

Eligible applications will be reviewed based on the following **priority criteria**:

- Industries that had to close or significantly reduce operations as a result of safety and public health measures.
- Size of the business (measured by 2019 revenue).
- Lost revenue between 2019 and 2020 as well as added expenses to maintain safe operations.
- Businesses operating in a rural or low-income community or that is owned by someone from a historically underserved or disadvantaged population (minority, veteran, LGBTQ+ or women-owned).

## **Need help?**

Department of Commerce technical support center provides assistance in navigating the application portal. The English-only support center is open 7 days a week now through April 9 at (855) 602-2722 or by emailing commercegrants@submittable.com

Phone support is available in seven different languages (Spanish, Mandarin, Vietnamese, Russian, Amharic, Arabic and Tagalog) at (206) 333-0720.

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