

Small Business Relief Grant Program



Up to \$10,000 available for eligible businesses

Applications accepted from July 27 - August 14, 2020

To help small businesses that have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, the **Dakota County Board of Commissioners** has allocated **\$10 million** to provide one-time grants of up to **\$10,000** to assist with payroll, rent, mortgage payments, utility bills, and other operational expenses that have occurred since March 1, 2020.

This program is a collaboration between Dakota County and the Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA) and is funded from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

The CDA has contracted with NextStage to administer the program. NextStage will collect and review applications for eligibility.

To qualify, an applicant must:

- Employ the equivalent of 50 or fewer full-time workers.
- Be a private for-profit business that has a permanent physical location in Dakota County, Minnesota.
- Be majority owned by a permanent resident of Minnesota.
- Be in good standing with the Minnesota Secretary of State and Minnesota Dept. of Revenue as of March 1, 2020.
- Be in good standing with Dakota County and the city where the business is located.
- Be able to demonstrate financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.


For a link to the online application, visit: www.dakotacda.org

Applications will be accepted from July 27 through 4:30 p.m. on August 14, 2020.

Only one application needs to be submitted per business. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. If the number of applications exceeds the available funding, a randomized selection process will take place. All applicants will be contacted via email by August 26, 2020.

QUESTIONS?

 www.dakotacda.org (Program Guidelines and Frequently Asked Questions)

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