

York County – CDBG COVID-19 Business Assistance Proposed Project Fact Sheet

York County, in an effort to assist small businesses during the pandemic, is applying for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. This grant, if awarded, will provide funding to help small businesses defray the cost of State mandated requirements in the reopening process.

York County is requesting \$550,000 from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (VDHCD) to assist small businesses in these challenging times. If awarded York County will make available individual grants to small businesses up to \$5,000. These funds must be a reimbursement of actual expenditures that the small business incurred following the State reopening requirements. (<https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus/forwardvirginia/>)

These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Signage related to social distancing requirements
- Masks for employees and customers
- Sanitizing supplies: hand washing stations, disinfectant wipes,
- Modifications to structure to enhance social distancing
- Acquiring reservation software systems and/or monthly subscription fee
- Sneeze/Cough Guards
- Modifications limiting the ingress and egress into the business

The maximum grant award limit will be \$5,000 per eligible small business.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Currently holding a business license with York County
- Business with 20 employees or less
- Expenditures must have been made subsequent to the Governor's Declaration of Emergency
- At least 50% of your employees have to earn less than \$46,200 annually

If funded, the business assistance application will be posted on the York County website.

If you have questions about this proposed project please contact Abbitt Woodall at 757-890-3885 or Abbitt.woodall@yorkcounty.gov.