

COVID-19 Grant Opportunities

Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund

Secretary DeVos Announces \$3 Billion in Emergency Education Block Grants for Governors.

- “An extraordinarily flexible "emergency block grant" designed to enable governors to decide how best to meet the needs of students, schools (including charter schools and non-public schools), postsecondary institutions, and other education-related organizations.”
- State allocations for the GEER Fund - <https://oese.ed.gov/files/2020/04/GEER-Fund-State-Allocations-Table.pdf>
- Press Release - <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-devos-announces-3-billion-emergency-education-block-grants-governors>

FAA: Airport Grant Amounts

Congress provided a total of \$10 billion in Airport Improvement Program grants through the CARES Act.

- The Federal Aviation Administration today announced the amount that individual airports will receive in CARES Airport grant funding.
 - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/166muDlv7uZCuPquEYjAzYQXrxmQ3FYp9/view>
- The FAA posted a slide [presentation \[faa.gov\]](#) summarizing the CARES Airport grant program and how the grant funds were distributed to airports.

Hello Alice & Verizon Business for All Grant – Deadline September 25th -

<https://businessforall.helloalice.com/about#covid19>

Offering \$10,000 grants to be distributed immediately to small business owners impacted by coronavirus

- Application - <https://businessforall.helloalice.com/signup>
- In addition to funding, grant recipients will receive ongoing support from the Hello Alice community
 - <http://www.covid19businesscenter.com/>

GoFundMe Small Business Relief Fund

In partnership with Intuit QuickBooks, Yelp, GoDaddy, and Bill.com

- <https://www.gofundme.com/f/smallbusinessrelieffund>
- Eligibility - The Small Business Relief Fund, will issue \$500 matching grants to qualifying businesses that raise at least \$500 on GoFundMe.
- More information - <https://www.gofundme.com/c/small-business-relief-initiative-and-fund-faqs>
- Intuit Quickbooks Small Business Tools and Resources Site - <https://quickbooks.intuit.com/small-business/coronavirus/>

Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF+) COVID-19 Response Fund

CERF+ launched the COVID-19 Response Fund to support artists working in craft disciplines.

- <https://cerfplus.org/get-relief/apply-for-help/craft-emergency-relief-fund/grants-loans/>
- Eligibility - <https://cerfplus.org/get-relief/apply-for-help/craft-emergency-relief-fund/eligibility/>

Foundation for Contemporary Arts

The Foundation will disburse \$1,000 grants to artists who have had performances or exhibitions canceled or postponed because of the COVID-19 virus.

- Applicants must be individual artists, or an individual representing an artist collective, ensemble, or group.
- More information - <https://www.foundationforcontemporaryarts.org/grants/emergency-grants>

National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) – Deadline May 22nd

The NCUA announced today that it is committing the majority of the 2020 Community Development Revolving Loan Fund appropriation for COVID-19 assistance.

- \$1,375,000 for grants to eligible low-income credit unions, an increase of \$575,000 from the \$800,000 [originally announced](#) on March 31.
- Minority depository institutions and credit unions with less than \$100 million in assets will receive priority.
- Maximum award of \$10,000
- Application – NCUA’s [CyberGrants portal \(opens new window\)](#).
- NCUA Press Release - <https://www.ncua.gov/newsroom/press-release/2020/ncua-increases-funding-covid-19-emergency-response-grants>

Verizon & Local Initiatives Support Corp (LISC)

- With a [\\$2.5 million investment from Verizon](#), LISC is offering grants to help small businesses fill urgent financial gaps until they can resume normal operations or until other more permanent financing becomes available.
- Register below for Round 2 beginning mid-April. Grant max of \$10,000
 - <https://confirmsubscription.com/h/r/6FF3E206B37FBDE42540EF23F30FEDED>
- Eligible - entrepreneurs of color, women-owned businesses and other enterprises in historically underserved communities
- More information - <https://www.lisc.org/covid-19/verizon-small-business-recovery-fund/>

United States Bartenders’ Guild (USBG) Bartender Emergency Assistance Program

The USBG is offering the Bartender Emergency Assistance Program to “help us serve those who serve us”

Application Criteria - <https://www.usbgfoundation.org/beap>

- Be a Bartender or the spouse or child of a Bartender.
- Experience a catastrophic event or emergency hardship
- Lack the necessities of life, including financial, physical, mental, or emotional well being
- Provide tangible documentation of the catastrophic event or emergency hardship.

Application - <https://usbgnationalcharityfoundation.submittable.com/submit/dd9f8446-8a81-4a3d-a423-6c1e28d8e604/bartender-emergency-assistance-program>

Children of Restaurant Employees (CORE) Resources

Providing support to food and beverage service employees, with children, who have been medically diagnosed with COVID-19.

- If a food and beverage employee is diagnosed with COVID-19, [apply here](#).

- If a food and beverage employee with children, and a family member who resides in the same home is diagnosed with COVID-19 and a doctor requires you to quarantine, [apply here](#).
- <https://coregives.org/covid-19/>

Restaurant Workers' Community Foundation (RWCF) -

<https://www.restaurantworkerscf.org/covid19faq>

- In partnership with [Southern Smoke Foundation](#) to distribute direct assistance funds.
 - Created to provide support and assistance for those in the food and beverage community and their suppliers during times of crisis.
- Funding Available
 - Direct Assistance to Workers
 - Nonprofits Serving Workers
- Application - <https://southernsmoke.org/fund/>

One Fair Wage Emergency Fund

- Providing cash assistance to restaurant workers, car service drivers, delivery workers, personal service workers.
- <https://ofwemergencyfund.org/>

The National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation has created the **Restaurant Employee Relief Fund**. This fund will provide grants to restaurant industry employees who have been adversely impacted by COVID-19, financially, whether through a decrease in wages or loss of employment.

- Apply for a grant starting Thursday, April 2, 2020
- Each approved grant is \$500, one per person only
- <https://restaurant.org/Articles/News/Restaurant-employee-relief-fund-growing>

Yelp Restaurant Ads Program

Yelp has announced \$25 million in relief, in the form of waived advertising fees, and free advertising, products and services for independent local restaurant and nightlife businesses and franchisees with fewer than five locations.

- Right now the relief program ends on April 30th
- Restaurants and nightlife businesses that remain open will receive [free access to Yelp page upgrades](#), including [Business Highlights](#) and [Call To Action](#), as well as [Connect](#), which will help them communicate timely information to their customers.
- Restaurant clients that offer delivery and/or takeout, we'll provide \$100 in free search advertising.
- Detailed Program information - https://blog.yelp.com/2020/03/coronavirus-relief-for-restaurants-and-bars?utm_source=news_blog&utm_medium=yelp_blog

No Kid Hungry - COVID-19 - <https://www.nokidhungry.org/coronavirus-grant-request>

- Offering emergency grants to support local school districts and nonprofit organizations in their efforts to ensure kids get the nutritious food they need.

- This grant request is specifically for school districts and community organizations to submit an inquiry for grants to support nutrition programs in their communities.

ASPCA (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals - COVID-19 Relief -

<https://www.aspcapro.org/grant/2020/03/23/aspca-covid-19-emergency-relief-request-proposals>

- ASPCA is accepting grant proposals for general operating or program expenses to help meet budget shortfalls and support essential life-saving services for animals such as safety net, adoptions and foster programs, and veterinary services, which are proving to be crucial animal welfare services in this crisis.

USDA Announces Second Application Window for Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program Funding

- \$72 Million Available to Help Rural Residents Gain Access to Health Care and Educational Opportunities
- U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Deputy Under Secretary for Rural Development Bette Brand today announced that USDA is opening a second application window for funding under the [Distance Learning and Telemedicine \[rd.usda.gov\]](https://rd.usda.gov) (DLT) grant program.
- Electronic applications for window two may be submitted through [grants.gov \[grants.gov\]](https://grants.gov) beginning April 14, 2020, and are due no later than July 13, 2020. Paper applications will not be accepted under the second window. Additional information on how to apply will be available on [grants.gov \[grants.gov\]](https://grants.gov) on April 14.
- Applicants eligible for DLT grants include most state and local governmental entities, federally recognized tribes, nonprofits, and for-profit businesses.
- Rural Development was provided an additional \$25 million in the CARES Act [congress.gov] for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine grant program. USDA will make a separate announcement in coming weeks when these funds are available.