

California recently announced a \$500 million Small Business Covid-19 Relief Grant Program for eligible small businesses and nonprofits that have been impacted by COVID-19 and health and safety restrictions, and Small Business Majority is getting the word out about this new opportunity. Sign up for one of their presentations below to learn more about the program and how to apply.

Grants up to \$25,000 will be given to eligible small businesses and nonprofits to help cover expenses during the pandemic. You can visit <u>www.CAReliefGrant.com</u> to learn more about the program, review your eligibility, prepare your business documents and get ready to apply. Applications for Round 1 will open December 30, 2020, and will close at end of day on Friday, January 8. Round 2 will be announced in the near future.

The program is administered by the California Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA) and disbursed through Lendistry, a Community Development Financial Institution serving as the intermediary.

Small businesses may apply directly <u>here</u> or with one of the partners. Applicants will need a few documents to apply, including a government-issued ID, most recent tax return/Form 990 filed, and business certification documentation.

Applicants will be evaluated to determine grant approvals based on eligibility and pre-determined COVID-19 impact factors will be incorporated into the program's priority criteria.