



**Applications reopened and
eligibility criteria expanded!**

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Small Business Assistance Grant Program Reopens!

Small businesses have experienced unprecedented disruptions and financial challenges due to the COVID-19 public health crisis. Will County recognizes its small businesses have struggled to pay bills, keep customers, and stay afloat while navigating through the uncertainties of this pandemic.

Will County has earmarked more than \$24 million for a Small Business Assistance Grant Program to provide financial assistance to small businesses impacted by COVID-19 so they can maintain operations.

Your business may be eligible for up to \$15,000

Businesses that meet the eligibility criteria listed on the back of this flyer are encouraged to visit the Will County website for additional info, FAQs, webinars, and the grant application.



Applications Close:
November 16, 2020

Applications will be accepted online and must be received by Monday, November 16

For more information and to apply visit:

www.willcountyillinois.com/COVIDbizgrant



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Eligibility Criteria

Only businesses that meet these criteria will be eligible to receive funding:

- Located in Will County
- Annual gross revenue must not exceed \$5 million (**expanded for Round 2!**)
- Employ fewer than 50 full-time equivalent employees (**expanded for Round 2!**)
- In good standing with the IRS, State of Illinois, and Will County
- In business before February 15, 2020
- Sole proprietors and independent contractors are eligible provided they meet additional criteria*

**Complete criteria listed on website*



Preference Criteria

- Businesses that were forced to shut down by the Illinois Stay at Home Order will be given preference
- Businesses that have not already received other COVID-19 assistance (e.g., IL BIG, SBA loans, PPP) will be given preference
- Businesses in the hospitality industry (e.g., restaurants, bars, hotels)



Tips to Stay Healthy

Limit exposure to other people: Stay 6 feet from others. Avoid large (10+) groups. Stay home when sick.

Protect yourself and others: Wash your hands. Wear a protective mask. Clean and disinfect surfaces.

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