The State of New Mexico is adjusting its business-loan guarantee programs in order to make capital more available to business owners whose operations are severely impacted by the COVID-19 health emergency.

**COVID-19 Business Loan Guarantee Program**
The New Mexico Economic Development Department (NMEDD) has created a program to assist businesses seeking emergency loans or lines of credit to deal with negative economic impacts from COVID-19. NMEDD can guarantee a portion of a loan or line of credit up to 80% of principal or $50,000. Loan proceeds are flexible and can be used for (and not limited to) the following: working capital, inventory and payroll.

Process:
1. Borrower approaches lender
2. Lender applies to the program
3. Lender and NMEDD sign guaranty agreement
4. Lender makes the loan
5. NMEDD guarantees the loan in case of default


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**LEDA Zero-Percent Interest Loans**
- Limited to expenditures for land, building and infrastructure
- Can be used for lease abatement or mortgage assistance
- Company must be a qualified entity (manufacturer, non-retail service business with more than 50% of revenue generated out of state, or a retail business in a community or less than 15,000 in population)
- All loans will be required to provide security equal to the amount of the loan

For assistance with LEDA loans, find & contact your Regional Representative, [https://gonm.biz/community-development/](https://gonm.biz/community-development/) or contact Mark Roper, [Mark.Roper@state.nm.us](mailto:Mark.Roper@state.nm.us) or 575.562.0327