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Jefferson County Offers Second Grant Opportunity for Small Businesses with Sustainability Grant

(JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLORADO) – In support of our small business community, Jefferson County is providing a second grant opportunity for businesses in unincorporated Jefferson County with the Small Business Sustainability Grant program. This program opened Monday, July 6, and applications can be submitted through Friday, July 17.

Businesses can apply for up to \$10,000, which is intended to provide a financial bridge until they can return to normal operations. These grant programs are meant to assist with COVID-19 related expenses and recipients will be required to prove the funds were spent to offset the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Businesses who received funds from the Small Business Emergency Grant program, which was the first grant program made available to small businesses by Jefferson County, are eligible to apply for additional funds. The combined total of these grants cannot exceed \$10,000 for any individual business.

The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners authorized an emergency grant program back in May, funded through the CARES Act to support small businesses in unincorporated Jefferson County and nonprofit organizations located in Jefferson County and serving Jeffco residents. Businesses located in incorporated areas of Jefferson County should contact their municipalities to determine their eligibility for grants provided through the cities.

More information about the emergency grant program and the Sustainability Grant online application are located on the <u>CARES Act Emergency Grant Program page</u> on the Jefferson County website. To be considered, grant applications must be submitted by July 17. Once the submission period has closed, all applications will be evaluated, and all businesses will be notified of approval or denial. Individual grant amounts will depend upon the number of applicants, availability of funds, and demonstrated need.

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