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## **NEW GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES**

**BEAVERTON, Ore.** – A new grant opportunity is now available for small businesses and nonprofits impacted by COVID-19. This grant is funded by the State of Oregon and will be administered through a partnership between the City of Beaverton and Micro Enterprise Services of Oregon (MESO).

The program will award \$500,000 in grants to eligible small businesses ranging from \$2,500-\$25,000.

Eligible businesses must be located in Beaverton city limits, have 25 or less employees and be able to demonstrate impacts from statewide executive orders or have had revenue declines as a result of the coronavirus pandemic during the past seven months.

Businesses can use this grant funding to help offset commercial rent, utilities, personal protective equipment (PPE) and payroll expenses.

Applications will be accepted through Friday, November 6. Priority will be given to businesses that have not received previous grant funding from the city.

Additional eligibility requirements and details are available at [www.BeavertonOregon.gov/businessgrants](http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov/businessgrants).

For additional questions, please contact a program team member at 503-489-7410 or [beavertongrants@mesopdx.org](mailto:beavertongrants@mesopdx.org).

The new grant opportunity is the latest in a series of emergency business assistance programs starting in March 2020 to assist small businesses impacted by COVID-19. Previous programs have helped around 400 businesses access more than \$2.5 million in grant funds.

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