

EMERGENCY



MICRO– ENTERPRISE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The City of Pembroke Pines in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); created a program to avoid job losses caused by business closures related to social distancing by providing short term financial assistance to micro– enterprise businesses in order to enable retention of jobs held by low– and moderate income persons. The maximum grant amount available is up to \$10,000.00 per business.

Eligibility Criteria

- The business must have **5 or fewer employees, including owner (s)**.
- The business must be a private for-profit enterprise.
- The business must be located in a commercial space within the City of Pembroke Pines.
- The business must have valid Broward County, and City of Pembroke Pines Local Business Tax Receipts.
- The business must have been operating for at least 1 year prior to the disruption cause by the COVID-19 social distancing requirements and stay home restrictions.
- The business Owner(s) household must qualify as a low-to moderate household pursuant to the Household Income Guidelines.
- This business must NOT have received any other federal funding designated for the same purpose. An example would be the federal Payroll Protection Program. If your business is found to have received such other federal assistance then any funds provided by the City under its program must ne repaid.

Household Size	Extremely Low Income 30% AMI and Lower	Very Low Income 31% to 50% AMI	Low Income 51% to 80% AMI	Moderate Income 81% to 120% AMI
1	\$18,750	\$31,200	\$49,950	\$74,880
2	\$21,400	\$35,650	\$57,050	\$85,560
3	\$24,100	\$40,100	\$64,200	\$96,240
4	\$26,750	\$44,550	\$71,300	\$106,920
5	\$30,680	\$48,150	\$77,050	\$115,560
6	\$35,160	\$51,700	\$82,750	\$124,080
7	\$39,640	\$55,250	\$88,450	\$132,600
8	\$44,120	\$58,850	\$94,150	\$141,240

Income Limits Effective April 1, 2020

Use of Funds

- **Permitted Uses:** Funds may be used for payroll expenses required in the creation and/or retention of jobs that would otherwise be lost due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.
- **Prohibited Uses:** Working capital, construction/rehabilitation, payment of rent or utilities, finance the acquisition of real property or land, fixtures/equipment that are attached to or become part of a building, vehicle purchase or lease, security deposits, providing funds for non-salary distribution or payments to owner, partners, or shareholders of applicant, and/or paying of any tax lien or liability.

How to Apply (Hablamos Español)

- A potential business owner/applicant must first complete a pre-screening form, available from the City of Pembroke Pines website, or CRAFLA.
- Application will be accepted beginning **October 16, 2020**.
- Applications can be downloaded at www.crafla.com or www.ppines.com
- Contact information:

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