



# Media Release

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## CARES Act Funding for Local Small Businesses

**San Benito County, California June 30, 2020:** San Benito County will soon begin processing applications from CARES Act funding for local small businesses that have suffered financially due to the pandemic. Additionally, grant assistance opportunities for charitable organizations and individuals will be announced soon.

San Benito County Board of Supervisors has allocated \$1,500,000 for small business grants.

The **Business Recovery Assistance Grant** will be managed by the Work Force Development Board. Applications and all grant documentation materials can be found at the [Business Recovery Assistance Grant page](#). Funding is scheduled to begin no later than August 31, 2020.

Use of these funds must be solely used for expenditures that occur between March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020 and fall under one or more of the following categories:

- Payroll
- Operating Expenses
- Business Lease or Rent
- Business telework equipment costs
- Inventory Acquisition (inventory needed to reopen or maintain open status)
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) purchase
- Facility Readiness (social distancing preparedness, business modifications, etc.)
- Reimbursement of loss revenue due to business interruption cost (must provide a schedule c)

If your small business has received a grant for PPE and other items on this list you may not apply within that category for these funds. Some of the grant fund requests may require additional documentation.

A summary of criteria, conditions, limitations and other requirements can be found here – [Business Recovery Assistance Grant page](#).