

LINCOLN COUNTY CARES Relief Fund Grant Application for Non-Profit Organizations

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Legal Name of the Non-profit Organization, including assumed name, if any:

<input type="checkbox"/> 501 (c)(3)	<input type="checkbox"/> 501 (c)(6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Length of Time in Operation	Years Months	Fed Tax Id#	MN State ID
Mailing Address		City	Zip
Location Address		City	Township
Business Phone	()	Cell Phone	()
E-Mail Address		Web Address	
Contact Name		Title	
Amount of Funding Requested	\$ _____	The FTE number of employees: Number of volunteers: Annual average number of people served:	
What is the purpose/mission of this non-profit organization?			
What is the impact that the COVID-19 Pandemic and Stay-at-home orders have had on your non-profit organization? (i.e.; loss of revenue, inability to serve clients, increase in demand for services, etc.).			
What additional need(s), if any, has this non-profit addressed for individuals and/or for the community as a result of COVID-19 and related orders?			
How will the funds be used?			

Please check all funding sources applied for: Federal PPP Federal EIDL MN SBEL MN SBRG
Please check all funding sources received: Federal PPP Federal EIDL MN SBEL MN SBRG

Funding Information

- Eligible applicants may request up to \$10,000 in Grant assistance based upon need. Actual grant award will be based on number of people served and urgency of needs addressed.
- Applications will be considered and acted on by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners.
- The grant application will be considered public information for auditing purposes only. The attachments will be considered private data.

Eligible Applicants

- Non-profit organizations that can demonstrate revenue loss or an increase in demand for services due to COVID-19 or can make an impact for individuals or the community in response to COVID-19 and related issues.
- Non-profits with 50 or less employees as of March 1, 2020. For the purpose of this program, a Full Time Equivalent will be equal to at least 32 hours per week. For those working less than 32, divide the number of hours by 32 to calculate FTE (i.e. 24 hours per week/32 = .75 FTE) Employees for this grant program may be either W-2 employees or independent contractors.
- All eligible applicants must have a physical, whether owned or leased, location in Lincoln County and serve the residents of Lincoln County.
- All eligible applicants must be in good standing with Lincoln County.
- All eligible applicants must be registered with the Minnesota Secretary of State and have been operating since March 1, 2020.
- Non-profits must not claim expenses submitted for CARES Relief funding from Lincoln County that are covered under any other Local, State, or Federal grant/relief funding.

Ineligible Applicants

- Religious organizations without a social services component.
- A separate application process will be applicable to for-profit businesses.

Eligible Uses of Program Grant Funds:

- Costs of business interruption caused by required closure due to COVID-19
- Rents and utility costs during the period of emergency order.
- Costs incurred during reopening process
- Costs for the purchase of items meant to protect the public and employees, such as protective masks and hand sanitizer, and other costs incurred by installing required safety measures in order to reopen a business
- Costs incurred for building modifications due to COVID-19
- Costs for marketing of safe business practices
- Other Expenditures related to the cost of business interruption caused by COVID-19
- Costs for assisting client or providing services in response to COVID-19

Application Requirements

- The CARES Relief Fund Grant application must be completed in its entirety by the applicant and submitted to the Lincoln County Auditor-Treasurer Department or submitted electronically to Krichmond@co.lincoln.mn.us by October 1, 2020, in order to be considered.
- A copy of the IRS non-profit determination letter.
- The most recent federal 990 tax return filed by the business.
- Income statements for the same quarter of 2019 and the quarter of 2020 where the loss occurred.
- A copy of current filing with the Minnesota Secretary of State Office.

- Support for employment numbers with forms such as Form 941 or other payroll-related filing with state or feds
- Other items as requested by the review committee.
- Grant recipients agree to submit the Eligible Expense Worksheet, documenting how funds were spent by October 1, 2020, returned with the application.
- Any unused funds or funds that the County deems used for ineligible costs must be returned to Lincoln County by November 15, 2020.

GRANT PROGRAM POLICY AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I declare that the information provided in this application and on the accompanying exhibits is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Lincoln County has the right to verify any information contained in this application and may contact any individuals and institutions involved with the proposed project.

Signature/Title of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners retains final authority to determine if a non-profit organization is eligible or not, and whether to approve a grant or not.

For questions, call 507-694-1429 or email Krichmond@co.lincoln.mn.us

