

REVIVING SMALL BUSINESS

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- 3,200 business members
- 450,000 social media followers
- 75,000 monthly searches to website
- 10,000 monthly blog readers
- 35,000 newsletter subscribers
- 40 staff; 4 statewide offices
- 600+ media mentions in 2020

Application Link:

localfirstaz.com/maricopa-grants

What is the source of funds for these grants?

A portion of Maricopa County's federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding has been allocated to aid small businesses and nonprofits financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through this program.

Maricopa County Small Business Stability Grants



Through the Maricopa County Small Business Resilience Program, Local First Arizona in partnership with the Arizona Community Foundation is facilitating stability grants for small businesses and micro-enterprises. These stability grants of **up to \$25,000** are now available to small businesses that can demonstrate revenue declines or unanticipated operating cost deficits from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 as compared to July 2019 through December 2019.

Applications will be accepted from November 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022. Grants will be distributed on a rolling basis based on the date of submission until funding is exhausted or the grant period closes.

Grant Eligibility

Eligible applicants for the Maricopa County Small Business Resilience Program include:

- For-profit and non-profit (501(c)3) entities and small and micro businesses
- Sole proprietorships operated out of homes
- Mobile small and micro businesses

Program applicant shall be required to certify, by Eligibility Affidavit, that the applicant meets the following criteria:

- Employed 50 or fewer full-time equivalents as of March 1, 2020.
- Did not generate more than \$5 million in gross sales (or revenues, in the case of non-profits) between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019.
- Gross sales or revenues declined by at least 25% as a result of COVID-19 from calendar year 2019 to calendar year 2020. Documentation demonstrating such shall be required as part of program application.

Will all qualified applicants receive a \$25,000 grant?

Eligible small businesses and nonprofits qualified to receive grants will receive amounts up to \$25,000. Awards will be calculated based on applicant's actual loss as determined by gross revenues decline in July 2020 through December 2020 as compared to July 2019 through December 2019.

What is the application review and decision-making process?

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and applicants will be notified of the status of their application within five business days of receipt.

Where can I ask questions?

The Local First Arizona team is available at maricopagrants@localfirstaz.com or by phone Mon-Fri 8am-5pm at 602-777-7636



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Welcome to the Arizona Community Foundation's Online Portal

New Users: Please click on "Create New Account" to complete the registration process and create your logon credentials.

Existing Users: Please enter your credentials and log in. If you forgot your password, please use the "Forgot your Password?" link to the left to reset your password.

Note:

If you are applying for the **Maricopa County Small Business/Nonprofit Resilience grant**, please contact **Local First Arizona** at maricopagrants@localfirstaz.com for questions.

Application Quiz:

You must answer “Yes” to all of the questions to access the application.

Documentation for Maricopa County Small Business Grant Program:

1. Schedule of monthly gross revenues, beginning with January 2019 and ending December 2020.
2. Documentation of 2019 and 2020 monthly totals.
3. A screenshot of their business registration on the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) website for either a Corporation or LLC.
Note: Sole Proprietors do not need to do this
4. Most recent IRS Form W9 or, for sole proprietors with no employees, social security number.
5. IRS Tax Exemption Determination Letter (only for nonprofit applicants).

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Questions?

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