

# **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMS**

# I. Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program

#### **SUMMARY**

Low-interest loans for up to \$2 million made to small businesses that have been severely impacted by COVID-19. The proceeds of the loans can be used for real estate, personal property, economic injury, machinery and equipment, and inventory purposes, among others.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- The business must be in an affected area as stated by a disaster declaration.
- According to the Washington State Department of Commerce, SBA has amended its disaster declaration to apply to Washington small businesses regardless of county (<u>view amended</u> <u>disaster declaration here</u>).
- For more information on disaster declared zones, click here.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

- 1. Click here to download the forms:
- 2. Fill in the relevant information;
- 3. Upload completed forms to the website provided above. You can also mail the forms following the mailing instructions on the website provided above.

# **MORE INFORMATION**

For more information, click here.

# II. Express Bridge Loans

### **SUMMARY**

- Loans of up to \$25,000 will be made to small businesses, which can be used as a term loan or a bridge loan while the business applies for a direct Economic Injury Disaster Loan. These loans are meant to have a fast turnaround and to be repaid in full or in part by the proceeds from the Economic Injury Disaster Loan.
- Proceeds must be used to support the survival and/or reopening of the small business.

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#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Any small business located in any state that has been adversely impacted by COVID-19. The date of the applicable disaster is March 13, 2020.
- The business must have been operational on March 13, 2020 and already have a relationship with an SBA approved lender.
- Must meet 7(a) loan eligibility requirements, which includes among other requirements that credit must not be available elsewhere,

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

- A business must find an Express Bridge Loan lender via SBA's match tool, available here.
- You may also contact your local SBA District Office <a href="here">here</a>.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

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### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

- Federal Government Financial Resources:
  - CARES Act Emergency Response Bill for COVID-19
  - Internal Revenue Service Programs
  - o Click here to apply to grants provided by federal agencies.
- State and Local Government Resources:
  - Financial Resources
  - Informational Resources
- Non-Government Financial Resources

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Please do not hesitate to reach out to us with questions, and we hope that this memorandum will be of help in your business pursuits in Washington.

Best regards,



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