



Department of Economic Development
City of Manassas
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CARES Act Grant Funds Available for Manassas Businesses

Manassas, VA – May 28, 2020 – The City of Manassas has received CARES Act funds which may be used to provide support for small businesses adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The City and the Economic Development Authority (EDA) will use some of these funds to establish a small business grant program.

The Manassas EDA will award grants of \$2,500 to qualified applicants. Depending on the number of applications received, awards may be given using a lottery system. Qualifying businesses must meet ALL of the criteria set by the City and the Economic Development Authority.

Applicants that receive awards must commit to remaining in business until December 30, 2020. Businesses that close their operations in the City prior to that time will be required to repay the grant.

Manassas businesses, that receive funding under this proposal, may be required to provide the Department of Economic Development with sales and meals tax filings and/or financial statements to show evidence of business losses. Award recipients may also be asked to provide employment data.

To apply, e-mail the completed application to CARESAct@manassasva.gov or mail it to CARES Act, c/o Director of Economic Development, 9027 Center St., Suite 400, Manassas, VA 20110.

For questions about the application or program, please call 703.257.8881.

About the City of Manassas Department of Economic Development

The City of Manassas fosters economic development through collaborative partnerships, sustainable fiscal management and supportive City services. The Department of Economic Development (DED) is directly responsible for business attraction, retention, expansion and tourism initiatives in the City. As a resourceful and collaborative organization, we work in partnership with our key stakeholders to ensure that we have what businesses need; including a highly educated and technical workforce with access to major universities and first-class training providers. We take an active leadership role in all that we do, serving as a community builder, collaborator and agent of economic growth. For help with your business needs please visit: <https://choosemanassas.org/> or call 703.257.8882.

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