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Manassas Establishes Small Business Relief Grant



The City of Manassas is launching a new small businesses relief grant program. The City anticipates receiving CARES Act funds from the Federal government which may be used, in part, to provide support for small businesses adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The City Council and the Economic Development Authority (EDA) intend to use some of these funds to establish a small business grant program. The grant funds are intended to provide support for small businesses of all types which have seen significant revenue losses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to EDA Chairman Mark Olsen, "Many of the City's small businesses have been severely impacted by the changes they have been forced to make to address social distancing requirements; especially our retailers, restaurants and personal service providers. The Department of Economic Development has been working very hard to help these businesses by providing resources, advertising and support throughout the crisis. The CARES Act funds that are now available are a sorely needed addition to that support and we look forward to administering this program."

Grants of \$2,500 apiece will be awarded by the EDA to qualified applicants.

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The Department of Economic Development exists, in large degree, to support the businesses in our community. We take that charge very seriously and will continue to share information we feel will be timely, pertinent and helpful to you. This includes links to other agencies and resources that we will send out separately.

We also encourage your feedback. Please share ideas and information you have that would be helpful to our local businesses directly with us either on our FB page ([ChooseManassas](#)) or by email, at:
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