

City of Peru Phase II Economic Support

The intent of Phase II is to provide relief to businesses with documented losses from the COVID-19 pandemic from March 1st to December 30th, 2020. Awards will be capped at \$2,000 and cannot exceed verifiable eligible reimbursements listed below. The city will expect businesses to comply with all local, state, and federal reporting requirements to receive funds. Each business will need to provide the following as part of their application:

1. Brief email or letter explaining their COVID-19 impact.
2. A completed W-9 form from the business
3. Completed application ([here](#))
4. Active State Business Registration. Sole Proprietors do need to submit this portion.
5. Copy of driver's license or valid government ID of the business owner or owners.
6. Receipts, invoices, proof of payment (cancelled check, paid invoice, or credit card statement) for eligible incurred expenses meeting the following criteria:
7. Completed Economic Support Grant Certification and Requirements (Available on the city website)

Reimbursements can come from inventory, equipment (including Personal Protective Equipment and other supplies to promote health and safety), compensation (including salaries, wages, tips, paid leave, and group healthcare benefits), rent, technology to facilitate e-commerce, professional services procured (including the design and construction of environments necessary to promote physical and social distancing and cleaning and disinfecting services) and other costs of operation in accordance with the applicable administrative rules or the policy directives of the grantor that was incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020. Funds reimbursed from any other program are ineligible.

Application can be completed online, mailed, or dropped through the city's drive through window starting May 12th, 2021. The deadline for the application will be Friday, May 28th by 5:00 pm. Funding will be awarded throughout the application window and once funds are exhausted the program will terminate. A business that received funding from Phase I are encouraged to apply but will be considered after businesses not receiving prior funding.

Please review a few examples of Ineligible Businesses:

1. Any type of loss already reimbursed through other grant funding such as but not limited to the Business Interruption Grant (BIG), Small Business Stabilization Program, or other related programs.
2. A business that is a government-owned business.
3. A business that is delinquent on payment of any State of Illinois tax obligation.
4. A business that is engaged in a business that is unlawful under Illinois or federal law.
5. A business that is on the federal System for Award Management excluded parties list.
6. A private club or business that limits membership for reasons other than capacity.
7. A business engaged in pyramid sales, in which a participant's primary incentive is based on the sales made by an ever-increasing number of participants.
8. Payday lenders or franchise with a drive-through.
9. A business that is owned by National chains or Regional chains.
10. A business that is primarily adult, tobacco, vaping or package liquor.
11. a business that derives at least 33% of its gross annual revenue from legal gambling activities, unless, subject to the Department's approval, the business is a restaurant with gaming terminals.
12. A business not located in the City of Peru's Corporate Limits (currently or during applicable grant period)

Please email questions to economicsupport@peru.il.us.