



OSCEOLA COUNTY

Emergency Economic Relief Grant Program

www.weveopenedsafely.com/grant-program

Eligible businesses and non-profit entities may receive emergency funding based on the following categories:

- ▶ Home-based (including Home-based non-profits and businesses in Incubators) – **\$5,000**
- ▶ Vacation Home – **\$5,000** (\$5,000 total grant, regardless on the number of units owned)
- ▶ Food Trucks – **\$5,000**
- ▶ “Brick & Mortar” businesses and non-profits (operating in a commercial space):
 - 2,500 sq. ft. or less – **\$10,000**
 - 2,501 sq. ft. – 7,500 sq. ft. – **\$20,000**
 - 7,501 sq. ft. – 20,000 sq. ft.- **\$40,000**
 - 20,001 sq. ft. and above – **\$75,000**

Eligibility:

Applicants must meet the below criteria:

- ▶ Applicants physically located in Osceola County, including businesses within city limits of Kissimmee and St. Cloud,
- ▶ Business must be at least 51% owned by a Florida resident.
- ▶ Home-based businesses and Food Trucks must have been in operation for at least six (6) months prior to submitting a grant application.
- ▶ Owners of multiple businesses can apply separately, one grant per business.
- ▶ Applicants must be current on all County taxes, assessments and fees;
- ▶ Applicants must have no outstanding Life/Safety Code Enforcement violations or be actively engaged with the County’s Code Enforcement to remedy the delinquency or violation within 12 months.

(See complete eligibility criteria at <https://www.weveopenedsafely.com/grant-program/>)

Documentation required:

- ▶ Completed Application Form;
- ▶ Provide a statement regarding how Covid-19 is negatively impacting the businesses revenue/operations;
- ▶ Current Osceola County’s Business Tax Receipt;
- ▶ State of Florida business registration from the Florida Division of Corporation (sunbiz.org) noting an “ACTIVE” status;
- ▶ Current W-9;
- ▶ Home-based businesses on leased premises must provide consent from the property owner to operate the business from the home;
- ▶ Brick and Mortar businesses must provide proof of ownership such as a mortgage statement or a valid lease agreement (if place of business is leased), and documentation of the square footage of the business;
- ▶ Any other documentation deemed necessary and required by Osceola County.

Step-by-step

- ▶ Go to www.floridadisaster.biz/businessdamageassessments and complete the Economic Damage Assessment Survey.
- ▶ Go to www.weveopensafely.com to register your business, and learn best-practices to reopen and operate your business safely.
- ▶ Go to <https://www.weveopensafely.com/grant-program/> to fill out the application and read the FAQ section to gain a better understanding of the program.
- ▶ Upload the required supporting documents listed above, **IMPORTANT: You will not be able to submit your application electronically until all required documents are uploaded.**

If you have any question, or need to email us: EconomicdevelopmentCARES@osceola.org