

**Attention Illinois Small Business Owners! \$250 Million** now available through State of Illinois Back 2 Business (B2B) Grant Program

**\$5K - \$150K**Grants Available

## Supporting a Strong, Equitable Recovery for Illinois' Small Businesses



The **Back to Business (B2B)** grant program is a key component of Governor JB Pritzker's \$1.5 billion economic package designed to maximize the impact of American Rescue Plan Act funds provided to Illinois. It sets forth **\$250 Million** for businesses that have experienced losses due to the COVID-19 pandemic to support them in their recovery.

## Here's What You Need to Know.

- \$5,000-\$150,000 grants to cover operations/staff/overhead costs
- Must have revenues of \$20 million or less in 2019 and a reduction in revenue in 2020 due to COVID-19
- **Priority given** for these businesses applying:
  - ☐ Hardest hit industries such as hotels, salons, fitness centers, restaurants, and more.
  - □ Disproportionately Impacted Areas (DIAs) economically distressed communities which have had higher case counts of COVID-19.
  - Businesses who have yet to qualify for state or federal assistance, including the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF), BIG, and more.

## **Application is fast and easy!**

- New interface designed to help small business owners track and learn updates on their application status in real-time
- B2B application portal at www.illinois.gov/dceo
- What You need:
  - A copy of your business's 2019 AND 2020 Federal tax returns
  - Two business bank statements one from the period March through December 2020, and your most recent statement
  - Business owner ID (ITIN accepted)
- Applications will be accepted starting August 18, 2021

Learn more about **B2B** Apply Today! scan code



## **Need application assistance?**

Help is available in every region of the state and in multiple languages. **Over 100 community navigators** stand ready to assist with grants applications. Find a community navigator near you www.illinois.gov/dceo.

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