

# American Recovery Act - Online Sales or Telework Grant

The County Commissioners of Kent County, Maryland recognize the distressing economic impact COVID-19 continues to have on businesses. The American Recovery Act provided funding for Online Sales and Telework to assist businesses and nonprofits in setting up or expanding an online sales framework and offering employees telework opportunities and will be dispersed through the Economic and Tourism Development Department.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Grants for Kent County businesses and nonprofits up to \$3,000

## To be eligible for a grant under the Program, the applicant must:

- Have been established prior to March 9, 2020;
- Be registered and in good standing with Maryland SDAT;
- Currently be in operation;
- Have a physical location within Kent County; and
- Priority will be given to applicants that do not have more than 20 total employees (including part-time employees), excluding the owner

### Use of funds:

- Expenses incurred to establish or expand online sales or
- Expenses to provide telework
- Expenses incurred between March 1, 2020 November 30, 2021

### Information required to complete the application:

- Federal Tax ID # (EIN)
- Contact Information
- Business mailing and physical address
- Number of employees

Once the applicants are verified and approved, pending funding availability, the applicant will receive the grant check. Applications will be processed within 15 business days of receipt.

Grantees agrees to report back on the use of funds, no later than November 30, 2021. Expenses submitted for previous COVID relief programs are not permitted, no 'double dipping'.

Businesses and nonprofits who have not received a COVID-19 Business Relief Grant or Loan from the Maryland Department of Commerce, or a grant from the Maryland Department of Labor for the purchase of equipment to assist in the expansion of opportunities for telework, will receive priority consideration. Those who have received previous funding are still eligible to apply.

The funds will be administered under the direction of the Kent County Department of Economic and Tourism Development. For more information contact <u>econdev@kentgov.org</u> or 410-810-2168. Visit <u>www.kentcounty.com/grants</u> to complete the application.