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Clark County CARES program providing relief funds to residents, small businesses

SPRINGFIELD, OH (OCT. 14, 2020) – The Clark County Community and Economic Development Department will be accepting applications for emergency assistance for both qualified residents and businesses for its Clark County CARES Grant Program, beginning today, Oct. 14.

The Board of Clark County Commissioners was recently allocated CARES Act funding from the state and federal governments to provide relief to residents and small businesses that have faced tough times during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“We know our residents have struggled greatly during this worldwide pandemic,” said Clark County Administrator Jennifer Hutchinson. “We hope these funds can make a difference in our communities and help our residents and small business owners get back on the road to recovery.”

Clark County can provide up to \$1,000 per month for qualified individuals, families or household’s payment of mortgage, rent, property tax, utilities, food and other expenses incurred during the period of March 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 due to loss of income, increased financial costs or adverse circumstances caused by COVID-19. Payments will be made by Clark County directly to a mortgage holder, landlord or utility on behalf of the individual, family or household.

The department will also be distributing financial assistance to aid small businesses and non-profit organizations in Clark County with relief from the COVID-19 crisis. Eligible small businesses and non-profits can apply for up to \$15,000 to use for salaries/benefits for employees, rents/mortgages, utilities, business insurance, construction costs directly associated with relief from constraints due to COVID-19 and COVID-19 related expenses (masks, hand sanitizer, gloves, partitions, etc.).

For more information or to apply for the program, log on to <https://www.ClarkCountyOhio.gov/CARES>.

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