

\$1,000 - \$10,000 Weatherization Grants Available for Small Businesses

ADD CAPACITY TO YOUR SMALL BUSINESS DURING COLDER WEATHER

The Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) is providing federal CARES Act funds to help qualifying small businesses expand their capacity by adding winterized, temporary outdoor facilities.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Michigan-based businesses with 50 or fewer full-time equivalent employees:

- Restaurants and/or bars
- Banquet centers
- Retail stores
- Gyms and fitness centers
- Local governments, including cities, townships, villages and counties that provide common space for businesses
- Commercial property owners who provide common space for tenants

FUND USAGE IDEAS:

- Temporary structures to cover outdoor seating
- Portable heaters
- Portable/temporary lighting
- Outdoor furniture and tableware
- Outdoor cooking equipment
- Fencing; dividers such as planters, hangings, or Plexiglas panels
- Electronic menu access and upgrades necessary to increase capacity for carryout and delivery service

VIEW RULES & APPLY AT:

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Here's How to Get Started

The grant application is expected to open at Noon EST on November 18. Get prepared now as funds are first-come, first-served.

1. WHAT CAN BE DONE TO ADD CAPACITY?

Consider what weatherization you could do at your business to expand capacity; or consider what you have done since August 1, 2020 to add capacity for the winter.

2. PREPARE YOUR GRANT REQUEST

Small businesses in qualified industries may submit grant requests between \$1,000 and \$10,000. To prepare to submit your application, research the costs to implement work, purchase products, etc. If the work has already been done, gather receipts.

3. SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Submit your application beginning November 18, 2020 at Noon EST at www.MiWinterGrants.org.

4. UPON GRANT AWARD, MAKE YOUR APPROVED IMPROVEMENTS/PURCHASES

Submit your receipt for reimbursement. Purchases must be made between August 1, 2020 – December 30, 2020. All receipts are due no later than January 15, 2021.

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