Food and Beverage Establishment Grant – Frequently Asked Questions

Eligibility

Am I eligible if I received assistance from other COVID-19 business grants?
Yes, but costs incurred for which the business has or will receive reimbursement from another source, including any other federal, state, or local government loan or grant program and insurance proceeds are ineligible uses of grant funds.

Am I eligible if I applied for assistance from the Bar and Restaurant Assistance Fund but did not receive assistance?
Yes, even those who did receive help through the Bar and Restaurant Assistance Fund are eligible to apply for the Food and Beverage Establishment Grant.

My business has multiple locations, can I apply for separate assistance for each location?
Applicant businesses will be able to submit only one application per Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN), so if multiple locations are covered by the same FEIN, each unique location will need to be included on the same application. If the applicant business has multiple locations covered by different FEINs, a separate application will need to be submitted for each FEIN and location.
NOTE: Applicant businesses that have multiple Ohio locations under the same FEIN will be eligible to receive a grant for each Ohio location that individually meets the eligibility criteria and sales/revenue reduction requirement. The applicant business will be required to provide the unique address for each Ohio location covered by the same FEIN and will also be required to prove that each unique location is eligible for a grant under the Terms and Conditions.

I'm a state of Ohio employee. Is my business eligible for assistance?
We would encourage anyone in this situation to contact the Ohio Ethics Commission to determine eligibility to receive funding under the program.

I'm an employee of a bar/restaurant and lost significant wages in 2020. If my employer receives funds, will these be used to compensate for my lost wages?
That decision will be made by the employer, but salaries, wages, or compensation paid to contractors or employees, including an employer's share of health insurance costs, are eligible uses of grant funds.

Do I need to have 1099 or W2 employees to be eligible for assistance?
No, the Terms and Conditions do not require applicant businesses to have either W2 or 1099 employees.

There are four new grant programs. Can I apply for more than one?
No, you can apply for only one. You will choose which program to apply for after you launch the application.

Application Process

How do I create an OH|ID?

Go to OHID.Ohio.Gov and click on Create OH|ID Account. You will enter information and create a password on the following page. For help in creating an account, click here.

I forgot my OH|ID username and/or password. Now what?

Go to OHID.Ohio.Gov and click on the "Forgot" links under User ID and Password.

What if my business has multiple owners? Do we create more than one OH|ID?

No, only one OH|ID is required to create an application.

I'm a state of Ohio employee with an OH|ID. Do I need to create a new OH|ID for my business?

Yes, an OH|ID used by state employees cannot be used to submit an application.

I had to stop in the middle of my application. Will my information save?

Yes, just click save before exiting.

How long will it take to process my application?

Staff will begin reviewing applications shortly after the program is launched. The amount of time it will take to process your application will be determined by the volume of applications received.

Can I check my application status?

Yes, following the same steps you followed to create the application, you will be able to see previously submitted application(s) and their current status.

Once I submit an application, do I have the ability to edit the application or provide additional documents?

After the application has been submitted, it will be locked so that it cannot be modified or supplemented. However, you can contact foodandbeveragegrant@development.ohio.gov to request the application be unlocked so it can be modified and resubmitted. Note, once an application is unlocked, it will lose its place in the review order and will be reviewed based upon its resubmission date.

How long will it take to receive assistance?

Upon completion of the Award Acceptance and Acknowledgement, it will take 10 to 12 days for payment to be received.

Are there any other resources available to my business and/or employees?

If you have already sent an email to BusinessHelp@Development.ohio.gov, you have been added to our contact list and will receive updated information as it becomes available. To be added to our contact list, please send an email to BusinessHelp@Development.ohio.gov from your preferred email address.