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Advocacy for \$5M COVID-19 Relief Grant

(EL DORADO HILLS, CA) – The El Dorado Hills Chamber is pleased to summarize the collaborative advocacy and completion of the El Dorado County Western Slope Small Business Relief Fund. The El Dorado Hills Chamber of Commerce collaborated with the El Dorado County Chamber, Lake Tahoe South Shore Chamber, and El Dorado County Economic Development Department for \$5M of the \$19.7M allotted to El Dorado County from the Federal CARES Act. This grant directly funded small businesses and registered 501(c)(3) nonprofits in El Dorado County. Nearly 300 grant recipients were awarded up to \$30,000 each for COVID-related expenses since March 1, 2020. The fund was managed and distributed through the El Dorado Community Foundation (EDCF).

Applications were submitted August 14, 2020 to September 3, 2020 (5pm) following the criteria:

- Small business grant applications are available for businesses and registered 501(c)3 non-profits located and operating within El Dorado County with debt due to COVID-19 related issues.
- Small businesses (in good standing with EDC) with 50 or less verifiable full-time employees & an annual revenue of \$6 million or less are invited to apply.
- Businesses must have established business prior to April 2019.
- Type of Businesses Allowed: single owner, small business with fewer than 4 partners, registered 501(c)3 nonprofits.
- Outstanding invoices/receipts (from March 1 forward) directly related with business operations due to COVID-19 related loss and invoices from COVID related expenses will be considered. Actual invoices or receipts must be submitted with the application. INVOICES are REQUIRED and must be either 1) unpaid because of COVID-19 issues or 2) invoices/receipts for COVID related expenses! Applications will NOT be considered without invoices or receipts attached.

<https://app.smarterselect.com/programs/67366-El-Dorado-Community-Foundation>

“Strengthening the local economy, representing business interests to government, and influencing political action is part of our Chamber’s mission, and we will continue to seek opportunities to advance the needs of our region,” shared Debbie Manning, El Dorado Hills Chamber President & CEO. For more information on the Chamber’s footprint in the region, please contact

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