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City of Hinesville Offers Second Small Business Economic Recovery Grant for Rent, Mortgage and Utilities

HINESVILLE, Ga. (Sept. 10, 2020) – On Thursday, September 10, the City of Hinesville Community Development Department announced the addition of a second Small Business Economic Grant program aiming at assisting small businesses recover from business interruptions associated with COVID-19 that affected the status of their rent, mortgage and/or utility payments.

To be eligible for the program, the business must meet all of the following guidelines:

- For-profit business located within Hinesville city limits in operation as of January 1, 2020
- Have incurred a loss of income as a result of COVID-19
- Applicant must be in good standing with City of Hinesville licensing, billing, inspections, ordinances, etc.

Priority will be given to applications for businesses with 10 or fewer employees.

The program is expected to award 33 grants in the amount of \$3000 to applicants. These funds will be awarded until exhausted.

As these awards are grants, repayment will not be required. However, the recipient will be required to certify that the City's assistance is duplicative of any other funding. Additional recipient responsibilities are listed on the City's website at <https://www.cityofhinesville.org/531/Small-Business-Recovery-Grant-Rent-Mortg>.

Funding must be used for business rent/mortgage, utilities, or personal protective equipment (PPE) for the period of September 1 – December 31, 2020.

Application submissions should be completed by a business' owner, partner or authorized corporation member. Submissions will be reviewed in the order received on a weekly basis and incomplete applications will not be considered.

Application details, including information about additional sources of assistance, recipient responsibilities and fraud, can be found at <https://www.cityofhinesville.org/531/Small-Business-Recovery-Grant-Rent-Mortg>.

Applications can be found online at <https://www.cognitofrms.com/CityOfHinesville1/SmallBusinessRecoveryGrantApplicationRentMortgageUtility> or through the City's Community Development Department (CDD) website. Online submission is the **only** method of submission accepted. The platform allows users to save and restart their application, as well as submit any necessary supporting documentation.

To learn more about the program, please visit <https://www.cityofhinesville.org/531/Small-Business-Recovery-Grant-Rent-Mortg>.



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The [City of Hinesville](http://cityofhinesville.org) was established in 1837 and is recognized as one of the fastest growing cities in the State of Georgia in both size and population. As the largest city in Liberty County, it serves as the county seat and is home to more than 35,000 people. For more information, visit cityofhinesville.org.