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Business Assistance Grant Update Carroll Rebound II – Retail is Now Closed Carroll County Restaurant Relief – Application Deadline is 12/8/20 at Noon

Westminster, MD, Thursday, December 3, 2020 – The Carroll County Board of Commissioners authorized the Department of Economic Development to stop accepting applications for the Carroll County Restaurant Relief grant on **Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 12:00 noon**. Any money not awarded by this date and time will be equally distributed to those restaurants previously awarded state funded Restaurant Relief program funds. Carroll County Department of Economic Development Director Jack Lyburn also announced that grant applications are no longer being accepted on Carroll Rebound II – Retail, as all funds are committed.

Carroll County Restaurant Relief

Carroll County Restaurant Relief grant applications will continue to be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until noon on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. Restaurants must be established in Carroll County as of March 1, 2020, be open and operating in a commercial/industrial zone and be in good standing with the State of Maryland and Carroll County. National/regional chains, franchises, and publicly traded companies are not eligible. Breweries, distilleries, food trucks, wineries and service organizations with a commercial kitchen are eligible and exempt from the zoning requirement. All grant documents must be kept for a period of five years. Awards will be based on verified employment as follows:

- Nine (9) or fewer FTE* employees - \$5,000
 - Ten (10) to 50 FTE employees \$10,000
- *FTE employees are counted as working 30+ hours a week

A grant agreement will be executed with the grantee and grant monies must be disbursed to restaurants by December 31, 2020.

Restaurant programs will allow new eligible working capital expenses of rent/mortgage and utility bills, in addition to the previous program eligible expenses of:

- Information technology hardware/software

CARROLL COUNTY

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- Marketing
- Employee training
- Commercial cleaning
- Professional services
- Equipment and vehicle business expenses
- COVID-19 related expenses

If you have questions, please email info@carrollbiz.org.

Interested businesses should sign up for [Carroll Connect](#) and Carroll County Economic Development [e-news](#) and watch for information via the Department of Economic Development website at <https://carrollbiz.org>. No-cost business counseling is also available through the Carroll County Small Business Development Center - please visit <https://www.marylandsbdc.org/locations/northern-region> to connect with a counselor for further business assistance.

About Carroll County Department of Economic Development

The Carroll County Department of Economic Development is a results-oriented team that creates competitive business solutions. To learn more about the programs or opportunities available in Carroll County email info@carrollbiz.org, visit <https://carrollbiz.org>, follow @CarrollEconDev on Twitter or call 410-386-2070.

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