



City of Yakima

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City Council Approves Second Round of Small Business Grants

The Yakima City Council has approved \$266,406 for a second round of assistance for micro-businesses (five or fewer employees) for reimbursement of expenses related to COVID-19.

The application process for this second round is being finalized, with the program expected to launch the week of February 15th.

A contract with the Yakima County Development Association (YCDA) to administer the grant funds is being prepared and will be presented to Council during its February 16th regular meeting.

The City Council on January 19th approved making the funds available to support the smallest businesses in the City.

The money comes from a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), a Federal program intended to expand economic opportunities for low and moderate-income persons.

Previously, in July 2020, the City Council set aside \$480,000 in CDBG funds to assist micro-businesses with expenses associated with COVID-19. YCDA also assisted the City in administering that application process.

Call 575-1140 or visit [Yakima County Development Association | Choose Yakima Valley](#) for more about YCDA.

Click <https://www.yakimawa.gov/> for more about the City of Yakima and its response to COVID-19.