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**Canadian Border Counties Economic Relief Program**

**application questions to help you prepare to apply online**

**Application Questions You’ll Need to Complete Online**

*Questions with an asterisk \* are required. Narrative questions have character limits shown.*

1. Amount of grant funds requested ($50,000 max) \*
2. Business Legal Name\*
3. Business Operating Name, if different from above
4. Is this business owned by a tribal government or majority owned (at least 51%) by an enrolled member of a MN-based tribe or band? Yes/No
5. Address of business: (street, City, state, ZIP, PO Box) \*
6. County (checklist of options; check all that apply) \*
7. Grant Application Contact Information \*

Name

Title

E-mail

Phone

1. Business website or social media link, if you have them:
2. What are your primary products or services; what does your business do?: (500 character limit) \*
3. Federal EIN (Tax ID) or SSN \*
4. Year Organized
5. Total employees, including owners \*

Full Time (32+ hours/weekly) \_\_\_

Part time (<32 hours/weekly) \_\_\_

1. Do you plan to add new jobs in the next 1-2 years? Y/N
2. Will these grant funds help you retain employees? Y/N
3. Please check if any of the following categories apply to the business owner(s) owning at least 50% of the business (check all that apply) \*

Female

Veteran

Person with a Disability

Black, Indigenous or other person of color

Not applicable

1. Describe how the closures of the Canadian border and/or the BWCA affected your business from 2019-2020. (1000 character limit) \*
2. Describe how grant funds requested will be used (i.e. for general operating expenses, business improvements, marketing and outreach, or other as described). (500 character limit) \*
3. Do you have any liens/judgements against your property? \* Yes/No If so, please explain.
4. Have you received previous grant funds related to COVID-19? (check all that apply) \*

Federal grant or loan (SBA EIDL, PPP)

State grant or loan (MN Small Business Relief Grant, Small Business Emergency Loan)

Local grant or loan (county, city, nonprofit)

I received funds but am not sure of the source

No, I have not received any COVID related funding

1. Applicants must show at least a 10% reduction in gross revenue between 2019 and 2021. Please enter gross revenue from both years:

Gross revenue in 2019: $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gross revenue in 2021: $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Required Documents to Upload**

* 2019 and 2021 tax returns
* Certificate of Good Standing from the Minnesota Secretary of State. To access this:

1. Go to the MN Secretary of State look up portal at <https://mblsportal.sos.state.mn.us/Business/Search>.

2. Search for your business in the ‘Search Business Filings’ section.

3. In search results, click on ‘details’ to the right of your business name.

4. Click on ‘print’ at the top of the Business Record Details.

5. In the pop up window, click on the ‘Printer’ drop down menu and select ‘Microsoft Print to PDF’ then click the Print button.

6. Save the pdf to your computer so that you can upload it with your application.

If yours is an eligible Tribal-owned or majority Native-owned business NOT registered with the Secretary of State, please provide a statement from the appropriate Tribal government department verifying your status as a currently operating business.