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Restaurant Revitalization Fund



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Registration for the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) is now open at restaurants.sba.gov [\[lnks.gd\]](#). If you are working with Square or Toast, you do not need to register.

SBA will begin accepting applications via the [application portal](#) [\[lnks.gd\]](#) on **Monday, May 3 at 12 p.m. EDT**. The application portal will remain open to any eligible establishment until all funds are exhausted.

In preparation, qualifying applicants should familiarize themselves with the application process in advance to ensure a smooth and efficient application. In addition to registering at the portal, follow the steps below. If you are working with Square or Toast, you do not need to register.

- Review the [sample application](#) [\[lnks.gd\]](#), [program guide](#) [\[lnks.gd\]](#) and [cross-program eligibility chart](#) [\[lnks.gd\]](#) on SBA COVID-19 relief options. SBA also added screenshots of the application portal that are available [here](#) [\[lnks.gd\]](#).
- Applications must be submitted in English or Spanish. SBA has documents in additional languages to help you understand eligibility requirements, fill out applications, and answer frequently asked questions. See the additional languages and materials [here](#) [\[lnks.gd\]](#).
- If you were unable to attend one of the webinars held earlier this week which covered program details and a demonstration of the application portal, you can watch the recording [here](#) [\[lnks.gd\]](#).

For more information, visit sba.gov/restaurants [\[lnks.gd\]](#).

Shuttered Venue Operators Grant



Apply at sba.gov/svogrant



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The SBA is currently accepting applications for the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant. To submit an application, visit sba.gov/svogrant [\[lnks.gd\]](#).



Beware of Malicious COVID-19 Phishing

Protect yourself from identity theft and fraud during pandemic recovery.

Confirm any SBA disaster assistance emails by contacting **(800) 659-2955**, TTY **(800) 877-8339**, or **disastercustomerservice@sba.gov**.

Avoid scams and fraud, visit **sba.gov/COVIDfraudalert**



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The SBA recently launched the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant and Restaurant Revitalization Fund. Bad actors may take this opportunity to impersonate lenders or government officials in emails, robocalls, social media accounts and phony websites. Their goal is to attract victims and commit fraud, scams and schemes. The result is financial or personally identifiable information (PII) loss for the victims.

As a reminder, the SBA directly communicates from email addresses ending in **@sba.gov**. The SBA also communicates via email updates/notifications using an email marketing platform, (the same one you are receiving this newsletter from). Those emails end in **@updates.sba.gov**. If you are being contacted by someone claiming to be from the SBA who is not using an official SBA email address, you should suspect fraud.

To report potential fraud, visit [sba.gov/covidfraudalert \[lnks.gd\]](#).



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Be Inspired: Small Business Success Story

Todd Bentley of Texas used SBA assistance to elevate his entrepreneurship skills to the next level. Bentley visited his local Small Business Development Center, which gave him the tools he needed to open his window cleaning and glass restoration business.

As his business grew, he obtained training and certifications to work on high rises, which inspired him to launch Optimum Rope Access.

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Webinar: Getting on the GSA Schedule- What you Should Know

May 11, 2021 | 2:00 p.m. EDT

Are you interested in government contracting? Join the U.S. General Services Administration for a webinar about the GSA schedule and how to get your small business on it.

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Federal Coronavirus Resources

State, local, and federal agencies are working together to maintain the safety, security, and health of the American people. Check out [coronavirus.gov \[lnks.gd\]](#) for updates from the White House's COVID-19 Task Force. Go to [cdc.gov \[lnks.gd\]](#) for detailed information about COVID-19 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Visit [covid-sb.org \[lnks.gd\]](#), the official federal resource website for U.S. small businesses

affected by COVID-19.

[Learn more about the federal government's response \[lnks.gd\]](#)



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Virtual Mentoring and Training

Offices around the country may be closed due to the pandemic, but SCORE, Small Business Development Centers, Women's Business Centers, Veterans Business Outreach Centers and other resource partners are providing free business mentoring and training by phone, email, and video.

[Find an SBA resource partner near you \[lnks.gd\]](#)

Join the SBA Team:

Employment opportunities to support SBA's COVID-19 pandemic response



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