Preventative Measure Grant Information

Kiowa County has received its share of Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) that were allocated to state and local governments as part of the CARES Act passed by congress earlier this year. The county has allocated a substantial portion of its CRF share to a Preventative Measure Grant Program (PMGP) intended to help local businesses and nonprofits offset costs associated with measures they have taken to help limit the spread of COVID-19.

The PMGP is a reimbursement grant. It will reimburse businesses and organizations for documented costs associated with measures they have taken to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 amongst their employees and customers. Examples of preventative measures include personal protective equipment (PPE), the purchase of cleaning supplies and services beyond those required for normal operation, and alterations to facilities to implement social distancing.

Eligibility Requirements

Preventative Measure Grants are available to any business or other organization currently operating a facility in Kiowa County that is accessible to employees and/or members of the public. Businesses need to be in good standing with Kansas Secretary of State and current on local taxes to be considered. Businesses must also sign a Memorandum of Agreement with Kiowa County before awards will be released to recipients.

Grant Amounts & Selection

The county has allocated $44,011 for this program, with individual awards capped at $5,000 per entity. The cap may be adjusted depending on the number of applications received, the overall financial need of all applicants, and the availability of funding.

The county has formed SPARK Advisory Committee to help plan and implement all programs that utilize CRF dollars. The committee will also be responsible for implementing this grant program, including reviewing applications and determining grant amounts. Individual grant amounts will be determined based on factors such as documented eligible expenses, number of employees and customers, and availability of grant funds.

Timeline

9/21/2020 – Application process begins
10/30/2020 – Application deadline
11/6/2020 – Grant award notifications
11/16/2020 – Final Disbursement of funds
How to Apply

E-mail completed applications and supporting documentation to spark@kiowacountyks.org. Applications can also be hand-delivered to the Kiowa County Clerk's Office in the courthouse. Applications will not be considered unless all sections of the form are completed, a Memorandum of Agreement is signed, and the following supporting documentation is supplied:

- A current W-9 form
- Supporting documentation for the expenses you are requesting reimbursement for. This would include copies of invoices for purchased goods and services as well as copies of checks to document payment for those goods/services.