PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The California Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant is administered by CalOSBA through a competitive bid award to its intermediary, Lendistry, and its statewide network of community-based lenders and partners. The Program provides competitive micro grants ranging from $5,000 to $25,000 to eligible small businesses and nonprofits impacted by COVID-19 and the related health and safety restrictions.

On 2/23, Governor Newsom signed legislation to provide an additional $2.075 billion for competitive grants for eligible small businesses – a four-fold increase to the original $500 million grant program. This new allocation includes a special program allotment of $50M for non-profit cultural institutions.

On 7/29, CalOSBA announced there would be three additional rounds through the Program following the approval by the California State Legislature and Governor Newsom of an additional $1.5 billion expansion, for a program total of $4 billion.

Round 1 was held December 30, 2020 through January 13, 2021.
Round 2 was held February 2, 2021 through February 8, 2021.
Round 3 was held March 5, 2021 through March 11, 2021.
Round 4 was held March 16, 2021 through March 31, 2021.
Round 5 was held March 25, 2021 through March 31, 2021.
Round 6 was held April 28, 2021 through May 4, 2021.
Round 7 was held August 3, 2021 through September 30, 2021.
Round 8 was held August 27, 2021 through September 30, 2021.
Round 9 was held September 9, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

For application eligibility and selection criteria, visit CAReliefGrant.com.

For data from previously completed rounds, visit business.ca.gov/about/publications/

The California Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA) supports economic growth and innovation and ensures that ALL California small businesses and innovative startups have the information, resources and direct support they need to better navigate resources, programs and regulations. CalOSBA serves as the voice of small business, representing their views and interests across the state and advocating for equitable access to capital, markets, and networks so that all California small businesses successfully start, manage, grow and become more resilient.
SELECTED APPLICANTS BY INDUSTRY*

The Arts and Cultural Program supports California eligible nonprofit cultural institutions defined as registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit entities that satisfy the criteria for a qualified small business (as defined in Cal. Gov. Code Section 12100.82(f)) and that is in one of the following North American Industry Classification System codes.

(A) 453920 - Art Dealers - 0.3%
(B) 711110 - Theater Companies and Dinner Theaters - 3.9%
(C) 711120 - Dance Companies - 1.9%
(D) 711130 - Musical Groups and Artists - 7.4%
(E) 711190 - Other Performing Arts Companies - 3.1%
(F) 711310 - Promoters of Performing Arts, Sports, and Similar Events with Facilities - 3.7%
(G) 711320 - Promoters of Performing Arts, Sports, and Similar Events without Facilities - 6.1%
(H) 711410 - Agents and Managers for Artists, Athletes, Entertainers, and Other Public Figures - 1.1%
(I) 711510 - Independent Artists, Writers, and Performers - 4.4%
(J) 712110 - Museums - 10.5%
(K) 712120 - Historical Sites - 1.3%
(L) 712130 - Zoos and Botanical Gardens - 1.3%
(M) 712190 - Nature Parks & Other Similar Institutions - 0.3%

*Total awards are pending finalization and completed payment which occurs on a rolling basis; and these estimates are based on selected to date. Round 8 is an Arts and Cultural application round. The data above refers to selected nonprofits exclusively.