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## CITY OF SAN FERNANDO ANNOUNCES SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM

SAN FERNANDO, CA – The City of San Fernando has announced a Small Business Grant program that will be offered to local businesses that have been economically impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Through the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA), the City will be providing grants of \$10,000 to businesses that provide goods or services to local residents in the San Fernando community.

"I'm excited that the City is able to provide these grants. This much-needed funding will provide our small businesses with an opportunity to recover from pandemic-related hardships," expressed Mayor Mary Mendoza.

Grant funds may be used for operational business expenses such as employee payroll, working capital to continue operations, payment of outstanding business expenses, and adaptive practices needed to remain open (i.e., equipment and supplies for physical distancing).

Eligible businesses must submit an intake form during the five-day application period – February 28, 2022 through March 4, 2022. After the intake period closes, a lottery will be conducted and selected businesses will be requested to complete an application. On behalf of the City of San Fernando, the LACDA will work with the selected businesses to complete the application, execute an agreement, and provide the grant funds directly to the business owners.

This program is administered in partnership with the LACDA and funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant.

Visit the City's website for a complete list of eligibility, important program dates, and a link to the intake form: <u>SFCITY.ORG/Finance/#Small-Business-Grant</u>.

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