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City of La Palma To Help Small Businesses With \$7,500 Grants

LA PALMA, Calif. – The City of La Palma has partnered with the Orange County Small Business Development Center (SBDC) to implement a Small Business Grant Program that provides vital economic support to small businesses suffering from the temporary loss of revenue due to COVID-19.

The City received a \$368,000 allocation of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding from Second District Supervisor Michelle Steel to assist small businesses. Mayor Peter Kim said, “We are grateful to Chair Steel for her assistance and support of our business community.”

Small businesses negatively affected by COVID-19 may be eligible to receive a grant of up to \$7,500. The grant may be used for business operating expenses such as rent/lease payments, mortgage payments, utility expenses, inventory, Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), or other similar expenses that occur in the ordinary course of operations.

“This is an important step to help our businesses regain their footing,” said Mayor Pro Tem Nitesh Patel and Council Member Michele Steggell, who represent the La Palma City Council as the Business Engagement Ad Hoc Committee. The grant funding coincides with the recent kickoff of a City Council sponsored “Shop Local” campaign.

The City of La Palma and the SBDC will conduct two webinars prior to the opening of the application period that will outline the program, the application, and additional documents needed to respond. The webinars will be held:

- July 6 at 11 AM
- July 7 at 11 AM

To attend one of the Webinars, please register here: [Webinar Registration](#)

The Small Business Grant Program application period opens Wednesday, July 8, at 8 AM and closes Monday, July 13, at 5 PM.

Visit our Small Business Grant Program web page for more information: www.cityoflapalma.org/grants

About the City of La Palma

Ranked by Money Magazine in 2007, 2011, 2013, and 2015 as one of America’s Best Places to Live, the City of La Palma is a 1.9 square mile general law city in northwest Orange County, consisting of 15,568 residents and approximately 350 commercial and industrial businesses. The City was incorporated in 1955 under the name of Dairyland and has 53 full-time and 35 part-time employees.