

Get Nebraska Growing – COVID-19 Relief Act

	Small Business Stabilization Grant	Workforce Retraining Initiative
Who?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nebraska owned businesses (taxpayer in Nebraska) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 to 49 employees as of March 13, 2020 Nebraska livestock producers (taxpayer in Nebraska) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 to 10 employees as of March 13, 2020. Must have at least 20 animal units. 2/3 of gross income must come from farming or ranching Does include: Beef cattle ranching and farming, dairy cattle and milk production, hog and pig farming, poultry and egg production, sheep and goat farming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In partnership with Nebraska Community Colleges Unemployed individuals who lost their jobs and/or are underemployed as a result of COVID-19. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unemployed as of March 13 due to COVID-19 or unemployed as of 1/1/20 and unable to obtain a job due to COVID-19. Underemployed means due to COVID-19 working less than 40 hours a week and seeking more, employed temporarily or furloughed/laid off from a primary job. Skillsets that will create pathways to employment in high demand careers and industries. Focus will be on skilled trade and technology related jobs
What?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$230 million in grants for Nebraska owned businesses \$100 million in grants for Nebraska livestock producers Grant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can Be Used For: Working capital to pay for operational expenses Purpose: Help sustain business during economic downturn or preparing to bounce back Value: At least \$12,000 grant to qualified applicants Names of recipients will be made public 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$13.6 million in scholarships at community colleges Scholarships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can Be Used For: Training certificate, classroom and remote learning with work-based learning components such as internships or apprenticeships Purpose: Obtain training and comprehensive career coaching Value: Average \$1,100 per individual Names of recipients will be made public
How?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit an eligibility certification form. Must use hyperlink in form to submit electronically. No pdf applications will be accepted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opens: June 15, 2020 Due: June 26, 2020 Once validated you will receive an invitation to submit a full application. Must use hyperlink in form to submit application. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opens: June 15, 2020 Due: June 26, 2020 Preparation PDF for small businesses in advance of eligibility certification. Preparation PDF for livestock producers in advance of eligibility certification. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply through Nebraska community colleges Community colleges will review and determine scholarship awards Scholarship applications will be accepted by Community Colleges starting July 10, 2020
Application Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DED will utilize a scoring matrix to evaluate applicants. Additional evaluation criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> COVID-19 effect on employment and revenue COVID-19 overall effect on the applicant Narrative on how grant will be used Verification from Nebraska Department of Revenue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> COVID-19 Impact on current employment situation Personal information to track job placements
More Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nebraska Owned Businesses Stabilization Grant – Q&A Livestock Producer Stabilization Grant – Q&A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workforce Retraining Initiative Q&A

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	Rural Broadband Remote Access Grant	Gallup Business Leadership Training Grant
Who?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preferred providers in eligible communities Providers: Local telephone and cable companies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently serving rural communities. Positive public support Proven record of starting and completing projects on time/budget Eligible Communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Majority of residents without access to or ability to subscribe to broadband service with a minimum 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload. Hindered in responding to COVID-19 by lack of standard broadband service, i.e. essential services, work from home, online learning, telehealth. Does NOT include: projects currently under contract or construction and areas eligible for the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund and Nebraska Universal Service Fund. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nebraska businesses with 500 or fewer employees that are eligible for Nebraska Advantage Act. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 participant per company if fewer than 50 employees 2 participants per company if 50-500 employees
What?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial support to broadband providers Providers may submit more than one application Installation and delivery of broadband infrastructure and service that meets the FCC broadband standard (25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload) Must be completed by December 30, 2020 Names of recipients will be made public 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Back to Business Learning Course – Gallup Certified Manager Credential <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 75 participating companies Self-paced. 30-week online journey. 50 hours of content. 12 webinars. 4 coaching calls. 16 learning in action modules. 4 large group meetings. Purpose: Support leaders and managers. Making employees, teams and organizations more resilient, productive and profitable. Value: Learn and apply strategies for leading in challenging times. Implement employee engagement. Implement and sustain an effective, systemic approach to performance creating growth. Names of recipients will be made public
How?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation PDF for Rural Broadband Remote Access Grant. Provider submits application electronically to DED. Must use hyperlink to submit application. No pdf applications will be accepted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opens: June 22, 2020 Due: July 2, 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit application to DED. Must use hyperlink to submit application. No pdf applications will be accepted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opens: June 22, 2020 Due: July 2, 2020
Application Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DED will review and validate applications. Additional evaluation criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to complete projects on expedited basis Cost of deployment and monthly subscription fees Providers and communities willing to provide capital to subsidize total costs will be scored higher 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DED will review and award applications
More Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural Broadband Remote Access Grant Q&A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gallup Business Leadership Training Grant Q&A

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