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Wheeling Heritage Announces Small Business COVID Support Grant

WHEELING, W.Va. – Jan. 28, 2021 – Wheeling Heritage today announced that it is accepting applications for its Small Business COVID Support Grant, which is made possible due to CARES Act funding. The grant is open to Wheeling small business owners who can apply to receive up to \$5,000 in assistance. Priority will be given to those who have made efforts to creatively adapt during this pandemic.

“Small businesses around the world have had to adapt due to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our local business owners have gotten creative and found new ways to be successful, but that has often come with increased costs,” said Alex Weld, executive director of Wheeling Heritage.

“We’re hopeful that this small grant will enable our small business owners to continue playing an important role in our community, while also providing some financial relief.”

Applications can be filled out and submitted at wheelingheritage.org/grants. To apply, a small business must be located in the Wheeling Heritage Area (Wheeling city limits). Grant applications will be reviewed and awarded on a weekly basis until funds are exhausted. Based on the demand and available funds, some applicants may receive a partial award. One application for each individual or business will be reviewed and only one grant will be awarded.

In April of 2020, the organization awarded a total of \$25,000 to 41 artists, small business owners and entertainers through a similar COVID-19 Emergency Grant. That program, which preceded state and federal assistance programs, gave awardees up to \$1,000, with priority given to those with immediate needs of shelter, food and other essentials.

About Wheeling Heritage

[Wheeling Heritage](http://WheelingHeritage.org) is a catalyst for the revitalization of Wheeling. Through historic preservation, community development, and the arts, we help to tell Wheeling’s story and shape its future. We seek to improve the quality of life in Wheeling by preserving and investing in our city, collaborating with others, and engaging the citizens of Wheeling in our work.