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DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR FOURTH ROUND OF SUFFOLK SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS

SUFFOLK, Virginia (March 11, 2021) – The deadline has been extended for the **Fourth Round** of the **Suffolk COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Grant Program**. The previous closure date has been moved to Wednesday, March 31st at midnight. This will allow the inclusion of a broader range of small businesses from Suffolk who have been impacted by COVID-19 restrictions.

For this current round, applications are open to small businesses established in Suffolk, both brick-and-mortar as well as home-based businesses. The business must have been open for business by November 1, 2020. Additional information, qualifications, and the application can be found on the YesSuffolk website under “COVID-19 Resources” – *Small Business Assistance Grant Program*. Approximately \$500,000 is available for the grants, which will provide working capital grants of up to \$5,000 per selected business.

For the business community to stay abreast of announcements such as these, it is recommended they follow the Suffolk Economic Development Department on social media. The Department is listed as “YesSuffolk” on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Additional small business support can be found on YesSuffolk.com under the tab “COVID-19 Resources”.

For questions regarding the grant, contact Gregory Byrd, 514-4042, or gbyrd@suffolkva.us.

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