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### **City of Wheat Ridge Awards Grants to Small Businesses** *Business Stabilization Program Grants Totaling \$250,000*

**WHEAT RIDGE, Colo. April 24, 2020** – The City of Wheat Ridge City Council today announced the recipients of grants made possible through the Wheat Ridge Small Business Stabilization Program. A total of \$250,000 was made available to small businesses in Wheat Ridge who have been significantly impacted due to the COVID-19 emergency. The city received 140 applications and awarded 99 grants ranging from \$500 - \$5,000.

“We are thrilled to provide this level of support to our small businesses as they manage the impacts of the pandemic on our community,” stated Patrick Goff, Wheat Ridge city manager. “With the leadership of our Mayor and City Council working together with our staff, we are doing everything we can to help our small business owners weather this emergency. We have created a [Sales Tax Deferment program](#), Localworks has an [interest free loan program](#), and City staff and the Wheat Ridge Business Association have created two websites; [Biz-Ridge.com](#) and [Eat-Ridge.com](#) as well as a business toolkit.” More information for businesses is also available on the City website designated for [Business Continuity and Support](#).

“Wheat Ridge is a resilient community, and while these grants offer relief to some of our businesses, as a community we will continue to offer our support to them in as many ways as we can,” stated Wheat Ridge City Council member Zach Urban. “We are proud of this type of collaboration on behalf of our businesses and will continue to look for opportunities as we manage through this crisis.”

Some of the criteria for the new Wheat Ridge Business Stabilization Program included for-profit independently owned companies physically located in the City of Wheat Ridge, in operation as of Jan. 1, 2020, and in good standing with the City as of Feb. 1, 2020; businesses with fewer than 25 full-time employees; and those who are experiencing a verifiable hardship directly due to COVID-19. The grant funds are intended to be used for operational needs, lease or mortgage payments, payroll, and/or supplies and services. The applications were reviewed by a Task Force including City Councilmember Zach Urban, City Treasurer Chris Miller, and representatives from the Wheat Ridge Chamber of Commerce, the Wheat Ridge Business Association, the Wheat Ridge Business District, and Wheat Ridge Localworks.

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Business Stabilization Grant Recipients		
3 Pals LLC-Large Marge's Philly Cheesesteaks	Emily's Nails ad Spa	Ponderosa Natural Medicine
5560 Rest. Partners, LLC -W. 29th Restaurant & Bar	European Beauty Care	Premier Auto
A Plus Doors	F&E/Financial Equipment Company Inc.	Pub X, LLC - Clancy's
A1 Rentals	Five star nails and spa	Qi Cottage Acupuncture & Well-Being Services -
Advantage ENT	Flesher-Hinton Music Co	R Service Center
Affordable Computers & Repair	Food For Thought Catering	Raffaele's Hair Studio Inc
Aldophs Import and Repair	Found Antique and Artisan Mall	Rig to Flip, Inc.- Down River Equipment Company
Appleridge Café	Four Squares Framing LLC	Right Coast Pizza
Armbrust Pro Gym	Four To Go Inc	Robert E Ficca Public Accountant
Aspire Tours	Frans Café	S2 Signs
Auspicious Hair and Body Salon	Fringe Hair Salon of North Denver, LLC	Samudio Insurance Agency
Avicenna Acupuncture, LLC	Geronimo Enterprises Ltd	Scooters Cycle Shop
Beauty by Meigan	Happy Healthy Life	Scott's Barber
Beauty Inc.	Head to Toe Studio	Seyfer Specialties
Beauty Inc.	Joseph Stoll, DDS, PC	Silvey Ventures, LLC - Ziggy's Coffee
Beth Heller Conservation	JVT Group	Soncent Investments Inc.
BiZarre Hair Fashions	K and J Hospitalitys - Mama Sanninos	Springman, Brade, Wilson and Pontius PC
Body Mind Systems	Kelly Electrical Services, Inc.	Srebooks, LLC
Brazilian Emporium, LLC - Little Brazil	Luke's Steakhouse, Inc.	TCC Optometry, Inc.
Breadheady LLC -Twisted Smoothie	Mac & Cheezary, LLC	Tech One Auto
Colorado Art of Acupuncture, LLC	Manifest Hair Artistry	The Avenue Consignment
Colorado Plus Brewpub	Maxtorq Diesel Performance	The Chalet
Conway Sound, LLC	Meeker Auto Sales	The Clean Team Inc.
Cress Tile and Linoleum	Megan's Place, LLC	TNT Packaging Inc.
Crscendo, LLC	ModMood	Tracer Inc.
DClark Inc -Davies Chuck Wagon Diner	Mountain Shades Inc.	Virtual Assessments
Designs by Gabrielle	Mucillis hoes and Repair Inc.	Vitruvian Fitness, LLC
Don D. Cox, D.D.	Ornamental Beads, LLC	WABCO
EduCyber	Paula M. Tomko	WCCFA
Egg Pan, Inc.-Sunrise Sunset Café	Performance Wise Inc	Wheat Ridge Learning Academy
Elisa Rose Mountain, LLC	Personal Achievement Martial Arts	World Nails
Ella Cress Skin Care	Pietra's	Wrenches Bar & Grill, LLC
Ellen Kay Robinson	Plumb Line Pilates, inc	Ziska Enterprises Inc.- Cosmo's Dog Bakery

The **City of Wheat Ridge**, located west of Denver with a population of 31,000 residents, is home to a mix of retail/commercial businesses and unique residential neighborhoods. Wheat Ridge is a vibrant community in a prime location, providing easy access to the Denver metro area and to recreation west into the mountains. The City was recently ranked Top Smallest City by the Economic Development Council of Colorado. Info about Wheat Ridge [ci.wheatridge.co.us](http://ci.wheatridge.co.us)

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