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### **CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS OFFERS GRANT RELIEF TO BUSINESS OWNERS IMPACTED BY COVID**

**EAST ST. LOUIS, IL:** The City of East St. Louis, Office of Economic and Community Development is currently accepting applications for the Business Economic Redevelopment and Economic Recovery Grants from licensed business and property owners located within city limits who have demonstrated a loss due to COVID-19.

The purpose of the grants are to provide small businesses who are independent entities with economic recovery due to losses from the pandemic. The Business Economic Redevelopment grant is for licensed business owners in the City of East St. Louis who were building/rehabbing prior to March 2020 and were halted due to COVID-19. The Business Economic Recovery grant is dedicated to businesses who suffered Economic losses due to the pandemic.

Eligible businesses must be in operation and incorporated as for-profit proprietorships, partnerships or corporations prior to March 2020. Interested parties can pick up application packets weekdays from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. from the Office of Economic and Community Development located at East St. Louis City Hall, 301 River Park Drive, East St. Louis, Illinois, 62201. The deadline for applications is January 14, 2022.