

Business Start-Up Program+

To further encourage new business, and promote long term success, the Cuero Development Corporation has developed the Business Start-Up Program Plus. This program can provide up to two grants for one year of business. The first grant is up to \$3,000 for businesses to encourage new businesses with rental assistance grants that generate sales tax. The second part of the grant is available up to \$1500.0 to encourage continued success of the business after the first six months.

The grants are available to all non-home-based small businesses in the City of Cuero; however, priority will be given to businesses that have frequent and/or close contact with customers. Rental Assistance is paid monthly to the landlord at 50% of the lease amount up to \$500 monthly up to a maximum of six months on a minimum 12 month lease for future payments only. All applicants must have a business that is open before applying for any grant monies. The second grant is available up to 25% of the monthly rent for a maximum amount of 250.00/ month for rental assistance and is paid to the landlord and is available after 6 months of consecutive operation.

The second grant will be available after a second application is filled out and submitted to the CDC office and approved at the next board meeting.

This grant is available for businesses that started operation after January 1, 2022.

This application is good for one year.

Businesses must meet all the following criteria.

Please acknowledge that the below qualifications have been met by initialing in the boxes:

- Physical and publicly accessible location in the City of Cuero.
- In good standing with the City of Cuero regarding licensing and finance, including being current on sales and tax payments.
- This business generates sales tax. ┌─

- Engaged in activities that are legal under city and state law.
- Meet program technical requirements including ability to provide financial records to support grant request.
- Registered with the Texas Secretary of State's Office.
- Ineligible: Home-based businesses.

If your business meets the above criteria, please complete and email the application below to: Maggie J. Cromeens at mcromeens@cityofcuero.com. Funding for this grant is limited and is subject to closure once budgeted funds are expended.



CUERO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BUSINESS START-UP PROGRAM

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Applications must be complete and signed off by CDC staff five (5) days before the Board of Directors' monthly meeting.

Applicant		Mailing Address		
Phone Number	Email		Fax Number	
Name of				

Business:			
Location of Business:			
Description of Business:			

Type of Business (Check one):

- _____ Apparel/Accessories Men and Women/Family Clothing
- ____ Eating Places
- Home Furnishing Stores: Appliances, Computers
- _____ Retail
- ____ Shoes Stores
- _____ Specialty Food Stores
- Specialty Retail: Hobby, Toys, and Games
- _____ Sporting Goods Stores

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION

Property Address:						
Name of Property Owner:						
Property Owner Address:						
Mailing Address:						
City:	State:	ZIP Code:				
Telephone:	Cell:					
Fax:	Email:					
LEASE INFORMATION Location of Leased Space:						
Lease Start Date:	Lease Expiration Date:					
Monthly Rent:	Square Feet Leased:					
Does any owner or officer of the business property being leased? Yes No		familiar relationship to the				
Grant assistance and amount applied for: Rental Assistance: \$	/Month Number	of Months:				
I have read and understand the guidelines guarantee of funding and disbursement of understand that approval by the Cuero I availability of funds. Further, I affirm that	f funds will be made in compliance Development Corporation's Rental	e with the terms of the program. I Assistance Program is subject to				
**Please understand that this application is	s subject to Public Records					
Applicant Signature		Date				
Property owner signature		Date				

Approved by CDC Board of Directors

Date