

Help for Businesses Impacted by COVID-19 Two New Mexico Programs Have Been Revised

The State of New Mexico is adjusting its business-loan guarantee programs in order to make capital more available to business owners whose operations are severely impacted by the COVID-19 health emergency.

COVID-19 Business Loan Guarantee Program

The New Mexico Economic Development Department (NMEDD) has created a program to assist businesses seeking emergency loans or lines of credit to deal with negative economic impacts from COVID-19. NMEDD can guarantee a portion of a loan or line of credit up to 80% of principal or \$50,000. Loan proceeds are flexible and can be used for (and not limited to) the following: working capital, inventory and payroll.

Process:

- 1. Borrower approaches lender
- 2. Lender applies to the program
- 3. Lender and NMEDD sign guaranty agreement
- 4. Lender makes the loan
- 5. NMEDD guarantees the loan in case of default

Lenders and borrowers can apply online, https://gonm.biz/about-us/covid-19-response/

Contact: <u>EDD-Finance@state.nm.us</u> or 505.469.6204, or Mark Roper, <u>Mark.Roper@state.nm.us</u> or 575.562.0327

LEDA Zero-Percent Interest Loans

- Limited to expenditures for land, building and infrastructure
- Can be used for lease abatement or mortgage assistance
- Company must be a qualified entity (manufacturer, non-retail service business with more than 50% of revenue generated out of state, or a retail business in a community or less than 15,000 in population)
- All loans will be required to provide security equal to the amount of the loan

For assistance with LEDA loans, find & contact your Regional Representative, https://gonm.biz/community-development/ or contact Mark Roper, Mark.Roper@state.nm.us or 575.562.0327

