

Grant Program for Small Businesses Based in Boroughs in York County

The 2023 BLOOM Grant Program for Small Businesses Based in Boroughs in York County will award grants up to \$1,500 to small businesses located and operating in a York County borough for projects that will help them improve productivity, expand their services, or grow to the next level. Grant amounts will be considered based on need and potential impact.

May 19 - 8am **Application Opens**

May 23 - 5:30pm Virtual Information Session

> **June 9 - 8pm Application Deadline**

June 20 Pitch Competition

ELIGIBILITY:

- Businesses for this BLOOM Grant must operate and be located in a York County borough and must have revenue generated as of January 31, 2023.
- Examples of projects funded through other BLOOM grant funds have included: improving signage, physical improvements to business location, marketing, training & certification for new services, or • Applicants cannot be an elected or appointed official. purchase of new equipment.
- Applicants cannot have more than 50 full or part-time employees.
- Applicants must match 10% of the grant's capital value to show commitment to the project being funded.

- Grant recipients must use the allocated funds within 6 months on the approved expense.
- Applicants cannot be an employee or board member of YCEA or an affiliate board: cannot be a family member of an employee or board member
- While we encourage past BLOOM recipients to apply again for new initiatives, priority shall be given to those who have not received prior BLOOM grants.
- Only for-profit businesses are eligible. Non-profits are not eligible.

FINALISTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN **A PITCH COMPETITION ON JUNE 20**

For more information and to register for the info session, visit BLOOMyork.org