



**REQUEST FOR COMMISSION ACTION**  
**CITY OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**October 8, 2020**

**Department** Finance

**Director Approval** Lacey Lies

**AGENDA ITEM** Consider authorizing the Mayor to approve CDBG-CV grant funding received from the Kansas Department of Commerce for 17 qualifying local businesses.

**SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION** City staff recommends authorizing the distribution of CDBG-CV Funds to the proposed grant recipients.

**BACKGROUND** These funds were made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Securities Act (CARES Act) for grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. To be eligible to receive a CDBG-CV Economic Development grant, the recipient business must be an existing business and retain jobs for low-to-moderate-income people. To be eligible for the grant, at least 51% of all employees must be from Low-to-Moderate income family households, based on their Adjusted Gross Income of the total household. The City, in conjunction with MCAC, released applications on June 24, 2020. Twenty-nine applications were received, of which 17 businesses met all State of Kansas requirements for eligibility. A subcommittee of the Economic Development Advisory Board met to discuss an appropriate allocation of the \$132,000 received and decided distribute the grant monies equally between businesses based off of the number of retained employees (meaning employees noted as at risk of losing their job). This is the same methodology the County used with divvying up their funds as well.

**BUDGET IMPACT** There is no budget impact. The City received this grant on behalf of the State of Kansas to distribute to qualifying businesses in our community.

**SUGGESTED MOTION** I move to authorize distribution of CDBG-CV Funds to the listed qualified businesses and for the Mayor to sign all related documents required from the State of Kansas.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS** Grant Recipient Listing

CDBG-CV GRANT RECIPIENTS

		Grant Amount
Bill Schabel's TV		\$ 3,882.00
Great China		\$ 7,765.00
Star Roofing LLC		\$ 11,647.00
Memories by Mandy Photography		\$ 3,882.00
Independence Best Upholstery		\$ 7,765.00
Independence Automotives		\$ 3,882.00
Taka Green's Accounting Service		\$ 3,882.00
Trout Investments Ane Mae		\$ 19,412.00
The Hair Gallery		\$ 3,882.00
Kevin Wilson Construction		\$ 3,882.00
Ashcraft Tire & Auto Repair		\$ 15,530.00
Laurel Creek Flea Market		\$ 7,765.00
Daves Body Shop		\$ 3,882.00
Independence Pharmacy		\$ 7,765.00
Howard's Electric		\$ 15,530.00
Professional Building of Inde		\$ 7,765.00
R D Kelley Enterprises		\$ 3,882.00
		\$ 132,000.00