



## FIRST SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY FUND

# COVID-19 EMERGENCY MICRO-GRANTS

The COVID-19 Emergency Micro-Grant Program aims to provide immediate relief for small businesses and nonprofits in Southwest/Southern Colorado. The program is aimed at preventing job loss and layoffs for small businesses and nonprofits. Micro-grants of \$1,500-\$4,000 will be awarded based on demonstrated need. Please note, we will try to help as many businesses/nonprofits as we can through this program, but our funding is limited. We are also working to find funding to offer this program to other counties not currently listed in SW Colorado. This program is supported by Telluride Foundation, Johnson Family Foundation and Kenneth King Foundation.

### Eligible to Apply:

Small businesses, startups and nonprofits with less than 10 employees in the following counties:

**Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, East Dolores, West Montrose, Mineral, Ouray, Saguache, San Miguel, and Rio Grande**

This funding is designed to enable businesses to keep their operations going and prevent job loss. Funding can be used to:

- Cover staff costs, wages or other expenses that will prevent job loss or layoffs during this time
- Cover utilities or other business operational costs to “keep the lights on.”
- Grant cannot be used for debt payments.

**Deadline to apply: 11:59PM MT, March 31, 2020**

**Visit [www.fswcf.org/covid-19](http://www.fswcf.org/covid-19) to apply.**

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