

CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY  
MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 2021-10

TITLE: A MUNICIPAL ORDER SPECIFYING ADMINISTRATION OF VERSAILLES ECONOMIC RECOVERY GRANTS FOR NONPROFITS.

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic caused nonprofits to face struggles raising normal revenue while at the same time facing unique demands on their services; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Versailles are served by a multitude of nonprofits that provide a variety of services; and

WHEREAS, funds from the American Rescue Plan Act received by cities may be spent towards grants to nonprofits to help remediate revenue lost as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent economic downturns; and

WHEREAS, the Versailles City Council has determined that the financial health of nonprofits that serve the City of Versailles is critical to the full recovery of our local economy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the City of Versailles, Kentucky that the following shall apply:

SECTION 1

There is hereby created a grant program to allow the City of Versailles to use funds from the American Rescue Plan Act to provide funds for eligible nonprofits.

SECTION 2

Nonprofits that provide services within the corporate boundaries of the City of Versailles are eligible to apply for a grant to supplement revenue shortfalls experienced since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

SECTION 3

1. An application shall be approved by the Versailles City Council that contains, at a minimum, the following:
  - a. Name and address of nonprofit organization.
  - b. Short description of services provided and how the impact is felt within the City of Versailles.
  - c. Short description of how COVID-19 has financially impacted operations, including a calculation of actual revenue lost during 2020. For purposes of calculating revenue, all federal, state and local grants and forgivable loans provided for pandemic relief should be considered as revenue.

2. In order to administer this order, the Versailles Economic Recovery Act Review Panel (“the panel”) is created to collect all applications submitted under this order and recommend award amounts pursuant to the guidelines below. The panel shall consist of the following:
  1. Mayor, or designee;
  2. Versailles City Clerk/ Treasurer, or designee;
  3. Versailles Minority Empowerment Liaison, or designee;
  4. Two (2) Members of the Versailles City Council Finance Committee;
3. Applications for grants created by this Municipal Order will be accepted between July 1, 2021 and July 30, 2021. Information from the applications will be transferred to a form created by the Versailles City Clerk and disseminated to members of the panel. The panel shall meet as many times as required, in person or via Zoom, to determine eligibility of each applicant and the specific grant amounts for each. The panel shall take into consideration previous funding from the City of Versailles, the impact of the nonprofit on city residents, and the level of financial strain caused by the pandemic. The total budgeted amount to be distributed to non-profits shall be capped at \$200,000. The panel may ask any applicant for more information or documentation.
4. The panel will review the applications and make recommendations concerning grant amounts to the City Council which will then make the final determination of the grants to be awarded under the program.

Introduced and fully adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Versailles, Kentucky held on June 1, 2021.

APPROVED:

*Brian Traugott*

BRIAN TRAUOGOTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

*Elizabeth Reynolds*

ELIZABETH REYNOLDS, CLERK