



June 16, 2021

Board of County Commissioners
Clackamas County

Members of the Board:

Approval of Local Grant Agreement Amendment #4 between Clackamas County and
Micro Enterprise Services of Oregon (MESO) for MESO to provide
a small grants program on behalf of Clackamas County
in support of the local business community impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic

Purpose/Outcomes	Approve a Local Grant Agreement Amendment #4 between Clackamas County and MESO for MESO to provide grants to the Clackamas County small business community. The amendment adds \$672,000 in CARES Act funding to the agreement to fund administration fees and additional grants to the local small business community.
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	\$672,000 (CARES Act CFDA 20.019) for programmatic and administrative expenditures allocated as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) \$600,000 for grants to small businesses pursuant to the terms and conditions of the CARES Act (CFDA 20.019) payable upon execution. b) \$72,000 administrative fee to MESO pursuant to the terms and conditions of the CARES Act (CFDA 20.019) payable upon execution.
Funding Source	CARES Act funds
Duration	This Agreement becomes effective upon execution. Businesses may apply for grants for costs incurred during the period beginning May 21, 2020 and expiring June 30, 2021 , a total of twelve (12) months and forty (40) days.
Previous Board Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The original agreement with MESO was signed by the BCC on May 21, 2020, Agenda Item # E.1. • Amendment #1 was signed by the BCC on July 16, 2020, Agenda Item # C.4. • Amendment #2 was signed by BCS Director Laura Zentner on behalf of the BCC on August 26, 2020. Board agenda date August 20, 2020, Agenda Item # D.1. • Amendment #3 was signed by BCC Chair Jim Bernard on December 17, 2020. Board agenda date December 17, 2020, Agenda Item # F.1.
Strategic Plan Alignment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) This grant agreement amendment supports the BCS goal of giving businesses access to innovative tools and programs to help them locate or expand in Clackamas County. Providing grants to businesses impacted by COVID-19 will help them make it through the pandemic so they can operate/reopen under the new normal, and eventually expand as economic times improve. 2) This grant agreement amendment supports the County strategic priority of Growing a Vibrant Economy by providing much needed assistance to Clackamas County small businesses so they can remain in business beyond the COVID-19 pandemic.
County Counsel Review	County Counsel Review Date: June 3, 2021 Counsel Initials: SM
Procurement Review	Was the item processed through procurement? No This agreement is a grant agreement, therefore is not subject to Procurement oversight.

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Contract No.	BCS-20-038

BACKGROUND:

Business and Community Services has developed a program with MESO to provide economic and social assistance to Clackamas County small businesses affected by COVID-19. A key element of this program is providing much needed cash to these businesses, to assist with sustaining them through the challenges of COVID-19 and until full reopening is possible.

On behalf of Clackamas County, MESO has already completed three rounds of grants to hundreds of county businesses. Amending our agreement with MESO will allow us to fund grant applicants who were eligible in the earlier rounds, but were not funded due to lack of dollars. We may also be able to fund new grant applicants.

Funds will be disbursed according to the following:

- a) Fund unfunded grant applications: Fund grant applications received under Clackamas County's prior grant application period(s), funded by Subrecipient Grant Agreement 21-011, that were not funded due to applications in excess of the available grant funding, and;
- b) Provide a simplified, \$7,500 flat award amount, grant application process whereby the following are true:
 - i. The business is headquartered in Clackamas County and has its principal operations in Clackamas County.
 - ii. If required by Oregon law to be registered with the Oregon Secretary of State to do business in Oregon, the business is so registered.
 - iii. The business is either for-profit or an entity tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
 - iv. During the Performance Period, the business incurred necessary expenditures due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, including those necessary expenditures incurred in response to Grantee's return to an "Extreme Risk" level effective as of April 30, 2021.

The following businesses are **ineligible** to apply for or receive funding under the Program:

- 1) Passive real estate holding companies and entities holding passive investments.
- 2) Non-profit entities that do not have federal 501(c)(3) status.
- 3) Businesses that experience a decline in revenues for reasons other than those caused by the COVID-19 pandemic (e.g. seasonal or cyclical businesses cycles).
- 4) Businesses that are delinquent on federal, state or local taxes that were due on or before the date of application.
- 5) Businesses that do not comply with all federal, state and local laws and regulations.
- 6) Businesses that have closed and do not intend to reopen.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends the BCC approve the grant agreement amendment #4 with MESO.

ATTACHMENT:

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Respectfully submitted,



Sarah Eckman
Interim Director, Business & Community Services

Federal and State Subrecipient Agreement Amendment (FY 21-22)
Business & Community Services

<u>Subrecipient Grant Agreement Number No. 20-038</u>	<u>Board Order Number:</u>
<u>Department/Division: Business & Community Services</u>	<u>Amendment No. 4</u>
<u>Recipient: Micro Enterprise Services of Oregon</u>	<u>Amendment Requested By: Business & Community Services</u>
Changes: (X) Work Plan (X) Agreement Term	(X) Agreement Budget () Other: Add federal terms and conditions

Justification for Amendment:

This Amendment adds additional funds to extend business relief payments, adding additional CARES dollars. This Amendment adds to the maximum compensation and extends the duration of the grant.

Maximum compensation is increased by \$672,000 for a revised maximum of \$5,605,842. The agreement becomes effective upon signature and extends the award period of performance to June 30, 2021. The purpose of this Amendment #4 is to make the following changes to the Agreement:

1. **Section 1. Term and Effective Date** is hereby replaced with the following:

Term and Effective Date. This Amendment #4 becomes effective on execution. Eligible **non-federal** expenses for this Agreement may be charged during the period beginning **May 21, 2020 and expiring May 31, 2021**, a total of twelve (12) months and ten (10) days. Eligible **federal** expenses for this Agreement may be charged during the period beginning **May 21, 2020 and expiring June 30, 2021**, a total of twelve (12) months and forty (40) days.

2. **Section 4, Grant Funds**, is hereby replaced with the following:

Grant Funds. The maximum, not to exceed, grant amount COUNTY will pay is **\$5,533,842**. Disbursements will be made in accordance with the schedule and requirements contained in Exhibit D: Required Financial Reporting and Payment Request. Failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement may result in withholding of payment. Funding on this award is sourced as follows:

- 4.1 **CARES Act (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance [CFDA] #: 21.019)** issued to COUNTY by DAS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Federal Award Identification #: Unavailable) and reserved for small business grant payments: **\$311,000**.
- 4.2 **COUNTY State Lottery dollars** reserved for technical assistance, online tool development, and administration fees: **\$254,306**.
- 4.3 **COVID-19 Emergency Business Assistance Program Forgivable Loan dollars** entered into between the County and the State of Oregon ("State Business Assistance Loan"; Agreement C2020197), reserved for small business grant payments: **\$45,000**

4.4 Second COVID-19 Emergency Business Assistance Program Forgivable Loan dollars entered into between the County and the State of Oregon (“Second State Business Assistance Loan”; Agreement C2020385), reserved for small business grant payments: **\$155,000**

4.5 CARES Act (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance [CFDA] #: 21.019) issued to COUNTY by DAS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Federal Award Identification #: Unavailable; State grant #2503) and reserved for small business grant payments and administration fees: **\$4,168,536**.

4.6 CARES Act (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance [CFDA] #: 21.019) issued to COUNTY by DAS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Federal Award Identification #: Unavailable) and reserved for small business grant payments and administration fees: **\$672,000**. (Added via Amendment #4)

3. **Section 5, Disbursements**, is hereby amended to add the following:

5.3 \$672,000 (CARES Act **CFDA 20.019**) for programmatic and administrative expenditures allocated as follows:

- i. Additional \$600,000 for small grants to small businesses pursuant to the terms and conditions of the CARES Act (**CFDA 20.019**) payable upon execution.
- ii. Additional \$72,000 administrative fee to SUBRECIPIENT pursuant to the terms and conditions of the CARES Act (**CFDA 20.019**) payable upon execution.

SUBRECIPIENT must invoice COUNTY to receive advanced payment of the amounts listed in this section (5.3).

4. **Exhibit A, Statement of Program Objectives**, the following language is hereby added to this Exhibit:

CARES Act funds (\$672,000) added to this agreement in Amendment #4 will be disbursed by SUBRECIPIENT to Clackamas County businesses via two (2) methods:

- a) **Fund Unfunded Grant Applications:** Fund grant applications received under Clackamas County’s prior grant application period(s), funded by Subrecipient Grant Agreement 21-011, that were not funded due to applications in excess of the available grant funding, and;
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5. **Exhibit B, Program Budget** is hereby replaced with the following amended budget:

	CARES (CFDA 21.019)	Lottery (Local funding)	State # C202197	State # C2020385	Total
Program Assistance	4,871,109		45,000	155,000	5,071,109
Technical Assistance		100,000			100,000
Online tools		1,500			1,500
Admin Fee	291,527	141,706			433,233
Total	5,162,636	243,206	45,000	155,000	5,605,842

Except as amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain in full force and effect.

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this amendment to be executed by their duly authorized officers.

Micro Enterprise Services of Oregon

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Portland, OR 97212

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

Commissioner: Tootie Smith, Chair

Commissioner: Sonya Fischer

Commissioner: Mark Shull


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Signing on behalf of the Board:

Name: Cobi Lewis

Title: Executive Director

Signed:  _____

Dated: 06 / 07 / 2021

Tootie Smith, Chair

Dated: _____