



# MATCH ON MAIN FY24 FUNDING ROUND

**SMALL BUSINESS SERVICES** 

# **AGENDA**

01.

**OVERVIEW** 

Provide an Overview of the Match on Main Program

02.

LOCAL APPLICATION PROCESS

Describe the steps necessary to submit a local application

03.

**RESOURCES** 

Provide supporting resources for the Match on Main Program

04.

**QUESTION & ANSWERS** 

Answer any additional questions regarding the program

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

#### REIMBURSEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

Match on Main is a reimbursement grant program that serves to support new or expanding place-based businesses by providing up to \$25,000 in funding to support eligible activities

#### **COMMUNITIES ARE ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

Eligible Applicants include municipalities, downtown development authorities, or other downtown management, business support, or community development organizations in essentials or certified Redevelopment Ready Communities® or master or select Michigan Main Street Communities that represent a traditional downtown district, historic neighborhood commercial corridor, or an area planned and zoned for concentrated commercial development.

#### **APPLICANTS SELECT BUSINESSES**

Applicant selects business. Applicants are responsible for dispersing funds to businesses

### **GRANT FUNDS LIMITED TO \$25K PER BUSINESS**

Maximum award to any individual applicant is \$25,000 (enough to support only 1 eligible business). Applicants may submit no more than 2 applications per funding round. 10% match is required by the business



# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

### **STATISTICS**

#### **SINCE 2019:**

- 165 businesses supported (81% GDA)
- Nearly 400,000 sq. ft. of vacant or underutilized space activated
- \$14M + in private investment leveraged
- 383 full-time jobs created

# **SUCCESS STORY**

L. Rose Dance Studio

Rogers City, Michigan

Funds were used to allow a female college graduate to return to her hometown and open her own dance studio.

# **FY24 Programmatic Changes**

# Michigan Strategic Fund Background Certification

Applicant: the entity that will receive the benefit from an incentive with the Michigan Strategic Fund or would receive the benefit of a contemplated incentive.

Key Owner: an owner of the Applicant, if applicable, that holds 20% or greater direct or indirect (intentionally distributed) pecuniary or beneficial interest in the Applicant.

Key Individual: the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, or the person in an equivalent role, of the Applicant, as well as the Person Responsible for Managing the Incentive. A Key Individual may serve the Applicant in more than one role.

If the answer to any of the following questions is "yes", please submit a writing detailing the

- 1. Have either the Applicant, its Key Owners (if applicable), or its Key Individuals, been convicted of a criminal offense for, or held liable in a civil proceeding, any of the following:
  - A embezziement
  - B. theft
  - C. forgery

  - E. falsification or destruction of records

  - H. the application for or performance of a contract or subcontract with the State of Michigan

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Is the Applicant a corporation or an affiliate of a corporation that was incorporated in any of the following countries after September 11, 2001 while maintaining the United States as the principal market for the public trading of the corporation's stock?

Barbados, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Commonwealth of the Baharnas, Cyprus, Gibraltar, Isle of Man, the principality of Liechtenstein, the principality of Monaco, the Republic of the Seychelles.

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certify that I am an authorized agent of , the Applicant, and further certify that the information contained herein or attached hereto is accurate to the best of the knowledge of the Applicant.

Authorized Agent Signature

Date

### **FY24 Funding Round**

- \$750,000 in total allocation
- Approximately 30 grantees awarded
- Applications due April 17<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

### **MSF Background Certification**

- Completed by the Organization's **Authorized Signer**
- Uploaded as part of the Application

## **Fund Disbursement/Project Completion**

In FY24, small business applicants will have 12 months from the date of their executed grant agreement to complete their project (previously 6 months).

### LOCAL APPLICATION PROCESS

There are four critical steps in applying for the Match on Main program.



#### WHO CAN APPLY?



- Eligible applicants include local units of government, downtown development authorities, Michigan Main Street programs, or other community or economic development organizations that represent a traditional downtown district, historic neighborhood commercial corridor, or an area planned and zoned for concentrated commercial development.
- Applicant must be within a community that is essentials or certified in RRC or master or select in Michigan Main Street
- Applicant must be able to demonstrate a history of supporting businesses located within the district/community that they're applying on behalf of

#### WHAT TYPES OF BUSINESSES ARE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE?



#### An Eligible Business must:

- Be located within the boundaries of the community the Eligible Applicant serves
- Be located within a traditional downtown, historic neighborhood commercial corridor, or area planned and zoned for concentrated commercial development that contributes to a dense mixed-use area with multi-story elements
- Sell products and/or services face to face AND have a permanent physical location within a traditional downtown, historic neighborhood commercial corridor, or area planned and zoned for concentrated commercial development (Ex. The business has a storefront location downtown.)
- Have, or be in the process of obtaining, control over the site for which they are applying prior to Match on Main application
- Be operating as a for profit or non-profit
- o Be headquartered in Michigan.
- o Be able to meet the ten percent (10%) cash match required as part of this program.

**Ineligible businesses include:** Franchises (including independent contractor agreements), businesses located in strip malls (unless located in an area zoned and approved for future concentrated mixed-use development), "big box" retailers, businesses whose primary sales come from marijuana, CBD, or tobacco. In addition, the Business must not have previously received or been approved to receive support from the Program.

#### HOW TO CALCULATE THE MATCH ON MAIN "MATCH"



- 10% Match is Required
  - If a business is requesting \$25,000 in grant dollars:
    - $$25,000 \times .10 = $2,500 \text{ in Match Dollars}$
    - \$25,000 + \$2,500 = \$27,500 in identified eligible expenses
  - If a business is requesting \$18,000 in grant dollars:
    - $$18,000 \times .10 = $1,800 \text{ in Match Dollars}$
    - \$18,000 + \$1,800 = \$19,800 in identified eligible expenses

#### HOW CAN A BUSINESS USE MATCH ON MAIN FUNDS?



Program funds may be used for expenses related to technical assistance, interior building renovation, permanent or semi-permanent activation of outdoor space, or for general marketing, technology, operational changes, or inventory expenses related to retail goods.

#### Examples of eligible expenses include:

- Expenses for technical assistance items for design and layout of interior or exterior space, such as conceptual renderings of the interior or exterior floor plan, merchandise layout, other interior or exterior design concepts, and construction drawings, plans or specifications for interior or exterior space activation.
- Expenses for interior building renovation items, including rehabilitation of floors, walls, ceiling, rooms, electrical improvements, lighting and lighting fixtures, furniture and display renovations, installation of permanent kitchen or other equipment, and/or fire suppression or other code compliance items.
- Expenses for permanent or semi-permanent activation of an outdoor space, including a dining area, beer garden, or other place-based outdoor activation. Exterior signage, doors and windows may be permitted as an eligible expense if part of a larger outdoor space activation project.
- Expenses for general marketing, technology to assist in connecting with customers (example: website upgrades or e-Commerce integration), operational changes (example: shifting from dine in to carry out), the purchase of a point-of-sale system, or inventory expenses for retail goods

#### WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SELECTING BUSINESSES?



- The applicant will identify the local business to recommend for grant support through the Match on Main program
- The applicant may apply for up to \$25,000 to administer to the small business

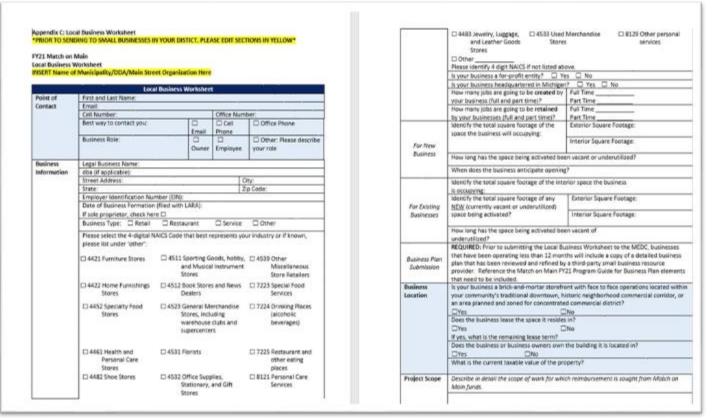


# DETERMINE IF A BUSINESS'S PROJECT IS ELIGIBLE & GATHER INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR THE ONLINE APPLICATION

- Applicants will need to collect information from their business owners to determine if their business is eligible.
- To make this step in the process easier, we've included a Local Business Worksheet.

#### BUSINESS ELIGIBILITY & COMMUNITY EVALUATION





APPENDIX C: LOCAL BUSINESS WORKSHEET



This document has been updated. Please make sure you are sharing the most recent version with your businesses

#### HOW TO CONDUCT A TRANSPARENT APPLICATION PROCESS?



Appendix D: BUSINESS SCORING MATRIX, EXAMPLE

PLEASE NOTE: THIS BUSINESS SCORING MATRIX IS AVAILABLE AS A RESOURCE, IT IS <u>NOT REQUIRED</u> FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION.

Local entities can rank and prioritize eligible businesses within their districts using whatever transparent process they see fit.

#### How to use this tool:

- 1. Determine if/how you want to prioritize your business applicants locally (examples below).
- Once you've decided which supplemental factors will be used for your local evaluation, update the Local Business Worksheet document.
- 3. Finalize, distribute and then collect the Local Business Worksheet from interested businesses.
- Use the Business Scoring Matrix (below) OR your own scoring document to determine if a business is eligible for funding.
- Use the Business Scoring Matrix (below) OR your own scoring document to determine if a business meets your local priorities for funding.
- 6. Select the business for inclusion with your application.



Have multiple businesses interested in Match on Main Funding? Here is a list of potential local considerations you could apply when priotizing business applications.

- Years in business (Example: Has been in business between 1 – 3 years)
- Number of employees (Example: Has under 5 employees)
   Industry sector (Example: Will only consider restaurants for our local application)
- Business is considered a district "anchor"
- Business industry aligns with the Community's Transformation Strategy, market data, or other recruitment priorities
- The business has received a local incentive in the past (Example: The business has received a DDA Façade grant in the previous three years)
- The business actively participates and is open during downtown events
- The business has utilized resources through the Michigan Small Business Development Center or other small business resource provider in the last 12 months
- The business had annual revenue (company-wide) of under a certain amount (Example: The business had an annual revenue in 2019 of under \$500,000)
- ·Or other considerations as identified by the community.

APPENDIX D: BUSINESS SCORING MATRIX

**EXAMPLE BUSINESS SCORING MATRIX ON NEXT PAGE** 

#### HOW TO CONDUCT A TRANSPARENT APPLICATION PROCESS?



Business Scoring Matrix														
	Step 1: Business Eligibility Verification  MEDC Eligibility Criteria						Step 2: Local Consideration  Local Eligibility Criteria				Step 3: Selected for Funding			
											Meets MEDC Eligibility	Meets Local Eligibility	Recommended for funding	
Business Name	Business is located within the boundarie s of the communit y that the applicant serves	Business is located within a traditional downtown, historic neighborhood commercial corridor, or area planned and zoned for concentrated commercial development	Business sells products or services face-to-face Ace-to-face physical brick and mortar store front	The business is operating as a for profit or non-profit	The business is headquart ered in Michigan	The business is NOT a franchise, located in a strip mail, a "big box" retailer, or a business whose primary sales come from marijuana, CDB, and/or tobacco	The business has NOT received Match on Main grant funds within the last 24 months (This DOES NOT Include Match on Main – COVID-19 award)	Business has completed Local Business Wusiness AND has identified an eligible project	Local Priority #1	Local Priority #2	Local Priority #3	Put an X If the business qualifies	Put an X if business meets local eligibility	Recommending Business for Funding
Ex. Courtney Dress Shop	Х	х	Х	N/A	Х	х	Х	х	х	Х	х	Х	х	х

APPENDIX D: BUSINESS SCORING MATRIX

# **COMPLETE APPLICATION**

#### HOW DO YOU APPLY FOR MATCH ON MAIN?

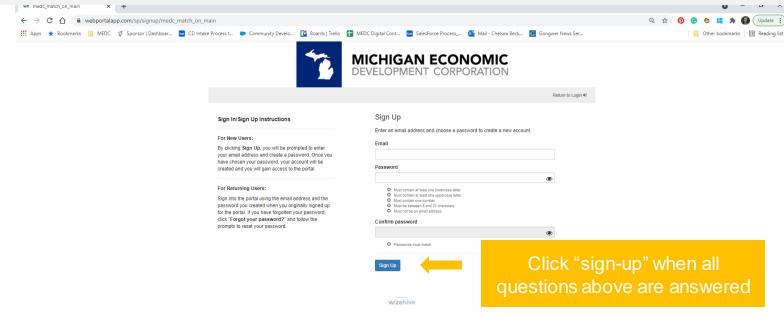


- Online application will be available at: <u>www.miplace.org/small-business/match-on-main</u>
- The application asks narrative questions about the applicant organization and narrative questions about the business in addition to other pieces of information.
- The application requires several attachments including the MSF Background Certification Form, local business worksheet, before photos of the project, thirdparty cost estimates, and a business plan (optional for existing businesses, required for businesses open less than a year or startups).
- To help the applicant prepare for the questions, a full example of the application will be available as a separate resource online.

# **COMPLETE APPLICATION**

#### HOW DO YOU APPLY FOR MATCH ON MAIN?





APPENDIX B: COPY OF ONLINE APPLICATION



# **MEDC REVIEW**

#### HOW WILL THE MEDC BE EVALUATING APPLICATIONS?



#### Evaluation considerations related to the applicant organization may include:

- History of supporting businesses within the district where the eligible business is located
- Alignment of selected business and proposed project with mission, vision and/or strategic priorities of the applicant organization
- Demonstrated administrative capacity and plan for program management
- Transparency of process used to select the business included in the Match on Main application

#### Evaluation considerations related to the applicant business and proposed project may include:

- Clarity and completeness of project scope documentation, including cost estimates and budget
- Private investment by the selected business
- Additional resources leveraged to support the business and/or proposed project
- Impact Match on Main funds will have on the selected business
- Jobs created and/or retained as a result of the proposed project
- Availability of private sources funding to implement project prior to Match on Main grant reimbursement

# RESOURCES

#### **Need More Information?**

- Visit https://www.miplace.org/smallbusiness/match-on-main/
- Timeline A full timeline for the updated funding round can be found in Appendix F

# Questions Prior to Submitting Your Application?

 Please contact your Community Development Manager or Michigan Main Street Team Member

# Technical Difficulties with Online Application Submission?

 Please contact Leigh Young Email: youngl11@michigan.org





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