



# Rapid Response Grant Recipients

## Building Resilience in Maine's Businesses

Coastal Enterprises, Inc.	\$10,000.00	Statewide	<i>Providing advice and technical assistance efforts to small businesses during the current pandemic crisis.</i>
New Ventures Maine	\$10,000.00	Statewide	<i>Supporting small business in their ability to move online and adapt to the current economic conditions.</i>
Four Directions Development Corporation	\$6,500.00	Washington County	<i>To fund digital literacy and increased broadband access for Four Direction's Native Entrepreneur Center located at the Passamaquoddy reservation at Pleasant Point.</i>
Portland Public Library	\$10,000.00	Cumberland County	<i>Providing small business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs with strategic planning, creating new service models, addressing revenue building, and providing education around business financial health.</i>
Heart of Ellsworth	\$4,500.00	Hancock County	<i>Support small business owners with grants and education with online sales and website development.</i>
UpStart Maine	\$9,000.00	Hancock & Penobscot Counties	<i>Blitz Virtual Entrepreneurship Conference</i>
MaineStream Finance	\$10,000.00	Hancock, Penobscot & Washington Counties	<i>Providing support with advisory, workshop, and small-dollar grant support to small businesses thru the pandemic.</i>
Eastern Maine Development Corporation	\$10,000.00	Hancock & Penobscot Counties	<i>Providing training and technical assistance to small businesses and workers to increase their technical proficiency for an on-line presence through a business website (supporting on-line sales) and social media.</i>
The Genesis Community Loan Fund	\$5,000.00	Statewide	<i>Providing technical assistance services (professional assistance including feasibility assessments, fund &amp; project development, strategic planning, and development consulting) to our nonprofit agency clients who are currently struggling to adapt to the challenges resulting from COVID-19.</i>

Big Gig	\$5,000.00	Statewide
<i>Award funding for a virtual pitch competition supporting business owners who have pivoted their business model due to COVID-19.</i>		
Boots2Roots	\$5,000.00	Statewide
<i>Building resilience for Maine's businesses through Boots2Roots workforce preparation coaching program.</i>		
Axiom Education & Training Center dba National Digital Equity Center	\$5,000.00	Statewide
<i>Business Training Assistance to provide digital literacy/computer skills training to 25 businesses and their employees</i>		
FocusMaine	\$5,000.00	Statewide
<i>Funds to drive Focus Maine's approach to support small businesses.</i>		
Sunrise County Economic Council	\$5,000.00	Washington County
<i>Providing live, virtual training &amp; support for the small businesses of Washington County.</i>		