

RM of Pipestone Safe Communities Grant

Purpose

Support for businesses and public facilities permitted to operate as per Manitoba's Pandemic and Economic Roadmap for Recovery, while reducing the risk of transmission of COVID-19 among employees, and patrons. Qualifying businesses and public facilities can apply for a municipal grant up to \$500.00 based on the purchase and installation costs of permanent physical improvements due to COVID-19.

Scope

For projects valued at more than \$1,000, the co-contribution by the RM of Pipestone is limited to \$500.00 on a dollar-for-dollar basis up to a maximum grant of \$500.00. Each eligible business and public facility qualify to receive one grant in a single calendar year.

How much may we fund?

50 per cent of eligible expenses up to a maximum of \$500.00 per business or public facility. The fund has a maximum value of \$10,000.

Any extensive requests which the applicant feels appropriate for their situation can be submitted to the CDC Board to review.

You can apply if you are a Business or Public Facility that:

- has a valid legal entity and/or holds a valid Manitoba business number from the date the program was initiated
- has its principal place of doing business physically located in the RM of Pipestone
- services its customers or clientele from a shopfront premises
- offers goods and/or services to the public
- was offering its services completely or substantially in the RM of Pipestone for at least one month at the time of applying for a grant
- is a public facility located in the RM of Pipestone

Physical distancing

You must practice physical distancing during the planning and delivery of your renovation works. If either you or the service provider are unwell, in self-isolation or self-quarantine, stay in touch by phone until it is safe to meet in person.

What you can use the grant for

To purchase goods and services to make permanent physical improvements to a business or public facility that help its operations and customer experience.

Eligible works include non-consumables such as:

- signage indicating COVID-19 physical distancing protocols, along with floor markings, where service is provided or lines form

- plexiglass or other form of physical enclosures or barriers to separate employees and patrons, particularly in instances where a two-metre distance cannot be consistently maintained
- other physical improvements that help the operation and customer experience due to COVID-19

When work can start

Applications will be accepted and applied to purchases retroactive to March 1, 2020. This will accommodate businesses and public facilities that have installed physical safety measures previous to the grant opening.

Before you Apply

Please contact the RM of Pipestone Economic Development office with any questions prior to application.

In order to receive your grant, you will be required to submit receipts and photos of completed projects.

How to Apply

Submit your application to:

RM of Pipestone CDC
Tanis Chalmers
Manager of Economic Development
Box 99 Reston MB R0M 1X0
or by emailing tanis@rmofpipestone.com

Application processing

Grant applications shall be reviewed by the CDC Board once receipts and photos have been submitted. Approval of grants in whole or in part is at the discretion of the CDC Board.

Applications are assessed in the order they are received.

Applications will be reviewed once per month.

If you have GST number you must subtract GST from your total.

Any extensive requests which the business feels appropriate for their situation can be submitted to the CDC Board to review.

Council approval required on any applications over the maximum limit.

For further enquiries please email: tanis@rmofpipestone.com or call 204-877-3327.

Application Deadline: December 1, 2020.

**RM of Pipestone - Safe Community Business Grant
Application Form**

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| <i>Business/Facility Name:</i> | | |
| <i>Owner/Contact Name:</i> | | |
| <i>Mailing Address:</i> | | |
| <i>Phone #:</i> | | |
| <i>MB Business # and/or # of incorporation:</i> | | |
| <i>Legal Description of Building:</i> | | |
| <i>Total Eligible Expenses: not including GST</i> | Payee: | Amount to claim: |
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| | TOTAL | \$ |
| OFFICE USE ONLY | | |
| <i>Grant Amount Approved:</i> | | |
| <i>CDC Approval Date:</i> | | |
| <i>Photo/s and proof of purchase supplied:</i> | | |

Applicant Signature

Please include receipts and photos with your application.

Print Name

Signature