

# Juneau Economic Stabilization Task Force

## PPE Grant Concept Summary

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### Goals:

- To reimburse Juneau businesses for investments made in masks, PPE and other infrastructure necessary to support continued business operations during the COVID crisis.
- To facilitate future investment in PPE and COVID related infrastructure
- To facilitate use of face masks

### Approach:

Create two separate programs, treating disposable masks and other PPE and social distancing investments differently as follows:

**MASKS** – CBJ purchases disposable masks in bulk and distributes to businesses for use by staff and customers.

- This could be done a few ways, either as a full grant or a cost share. A straight grant would be simpler and better promote usage.
- Parameters would have to be set on the number of masks awarded to each business
- Eligibility criteria would need to be established, but recommend making them as simple as possible to implement
- Will need to establish volume of recommended purchase based on funds available and anticipated reach. Estimate 3,500 businesses, \$41/100 masks, cost for 100 masks for each business \$143,500
- Location of Distribution center?
- This approach is simple and will remove one more barrier to mask usage in local businesses.

**PPE GRANTS** – CBJ establishes a grant program to reimburse businesses for past and future investment in PPE and social distancing infrastructure (with the exception of future disposable mask purchases).

- CARES Act funds allocated – TBD, estimate \$250,000
- Grant Amount – \$?? - \$5000 total grant amount, equaling to 75% of amount of purchase
- Expenses incurred from March ?? 2020 through end of grant program are eligible
- Receipt required
- Establish business eligibility requirements (such as licensing, size, location)
- Establish Eligibility criteria for expenses
  - Expenses directly related to software, equipment, and physical improvements needed to accomplish any health, safety and social distancing initiatives or identified standards related to COVID-19
- Who would administer?
- Include publication of PPE purchasing resources to facilitate usage of the grant