General Eligibility:
Small businesses in Hillsborough County that have suffered significant, temporary loss of revenue or job losses directly related to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic. Businesses may only receive one benefit from an Economic Recovery Financial Assistance program, even if they may otherwise qualify for more than one program.

Business must meet all of these criteria to qualify for financial assistance:
- In operation since March 1, 2019 or earlier
- A for-profit business
- Not a publicly traded company
- Open for business in some capacity at the time of application.
- Properly registered with the State and hold a valid local occupational license/business taxes paid
- Current on all property taxes
- Not in violation of any code, zoning, or other regulation and free of County code violation liens
- Owner(s), officers, partners, or principal actor of the property owner must not have a felony conviction for financial mismanagement within the last two years for which he or she is still serving a sentence

Kickstart Small Business
Financial assistance to provide an immediate infusion of capital for small businesses that have been economically injured by the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.

Financial assistance amount: $7,500 for sole proprietorships and businesses with two or fewer employees; $10,000 for businesses with more than two employees
Business Size: Under $3 million in annual revenue

Back to Work
A payroll incentive to businesses that have been economically injured by the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic to hire or rehire workers.

Financial assistance amount: Up to $2,000 per employee hired since May 1, 2020
Business Size: Under $20 million in annual revenue

Safe at Work Matching
A matching reimbursement for the actual, documented expenses of qualifying workplace improvements directly related to mitigating the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.

Financial assistance amount: Up to $10,000
Business Size: Under $20 million in annual revenue

* Other requirements may apply based on specific financial assistance criteria and your business’s unique situation.

For Assistance:
For the full criteria of each program, visit HCFLGov.net/R3Biz.
Economic Development business consultants are available to help small businesses prepare financial assistance applications and answer eligibility questions. Visit HCFLGov.net/ECC to request a phone or virtual appointment.