Free sample - Restaurant Grant Alerts (DraftOk)

20 grants a small restaurant in the US can apply for right now - every entry checked against its official program page on November 3, 2026. Statuses and days-left figures are as of that date. Entries closing soonest are listed first.

Two things that are always true. 1) Applying for a grant is always free - you never need to pay anyone to submit an application. A few private programs in this list charge a small application fee; it is printed in the table, and you pay it only to the funder, on the funder's own official site - never to us. 2) Nobody can guarantee you a grant. Anyone who promises guaranteed approval for a fee is running a scam.

What is in this sample: 20 grants - 0 federal, 4 state and local government, 16 foundation and corporate programs. Why no federal grants? The US Small Business Administration states on its own grants page: "SBA does not provide grants for starting and expanding a business." Federal grant money flows to nonprofits, research programs and state export programs - not to restaurant operating budgets. The day a federal program genuinely opens to small restaurants, it goes on this list. We do not pad the list to hit a number.

If this list and an official page ever disagree, the official page is right. When an entry closes, it leaves this list and is recorded in our archive with its closing date - never left in the list looking open, and never silently dropped from the record. This sample is issued by DraftOk (draftok.ai) - questions: draftokai@gmail.com

How every entry is tracked - three dates, three states. Three dates: where we found it (source channel), the day we picked it up (retrieved), and the day the funder announced it (where the official page states no announcement date, the entry says so - dates are never invented). Three states: Open; Closing soon - a fixed deadline 30 days away or less, with the exact days left shown; Expired - the deadline has passed or the funder closed the program. Only Open and Closing soon entries ever appear in this list. An expired entry leaves the list the day we catch it and is kept in an archive with the date it closed; it is never shown as something you can apply for, and expired grants are never emailed or pushed to anyone - an expired status is given only when someone asks about that grant, and that answer states the closing date and source, lists similar grants that are still open, and stops there. For this sample we also checked 19 further programs that were already closed, between rounds, or not confirmable on their official page - they are excluded and counted, never used to pad the list. Subscribers hear about two status changes: an email when a matching grant newly opens, and an email when a grant on your list enters Closing soon (with a final reminder in its last week).

#	Status	Grant	Provider	Amount (USD)	Deadline	Who can apply (summary of official conditions)	Fee	Official site
1	Closing soon - 14 days left	Tory Burch Foundation Fellows Program	Tory Burch Foundation	$2,000 education grant, plus a one-year fellowship (coaching, workshops, peer community). A fellowship, not a general cash grant.	November 17, 2026, 11:59:59 p.m. ET	Women entrepreneurs aged 21+, legal US residents, who own the largest or an equal-largest stake in a for-profit business that is at least 51% women-owned and controlled, formed and operating in the US, and generating at least $75,000 a year. One applicant per business.	Free	www.toryburchfoundation.org
2	Closing soon - 27 days left	IFW Startup Accelerator Grant	IFundWomen (now IFW by Honeycomb Credit)	$5,000 to one founder, unrestricted	November 30, 2026, 11:59 p.m. ET	US-based owners aged 18+ who own at least 50% of their business. Idea-stage and pre-revenue businesses are welcome.	$5	www.ifundwomen.com
3	Closing soon - 27 days left	Small Business Boost Grant	Shophand	$5,000 total package: $2,500 cash plus $2,500 in Shophand services	Round 2 closes November 30, 2026; winner announced December 15, 2026	US-based for-profit businesses that are actively operating, with fewer than 50 employees and under $5 million in annual revenue. Applicants must follow Shophand on Instagram, X, LinkedIn and Facebook. Nonprofits are not eligible. Preference (not a requirement) goes to applicants who used a paid Shophand service during the cycle.	Free	www.shophand.com
4	Closing soon - 27 days left	Evolve Grant	Entreprenista Media (presented by IT Cosmetics)	$5,000 to one winner - selected by random drawing; the official rules describe this program as a sweepstakes	Promotion period ends November 30, 2026, 11:59 p.m. ET; winner drawn on or about December 10, 2026	US-based women-owned or women-led businesses, operating for at least 1 year, with $100,000 or more in annual revenue. Entrants must be 18+ and legal US residents. One entry per business.	Free (no purchase necessary)	www.entreprenista.com

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5	Open	Amber Grant	WomensNet	$15,000 - three grants awarded every month (Amber Grant, Startup Grant, Business Category Grant); monthly winners are also eligible for one of three $75,000 year-end grants	Monthly - last day of each month, 11:59 p.m. ET (next: November 30, 2026)	Women aged 18+ who own at least 50% of a business based in the United States or Canada. Pre-revenue and idea-stage businesses may apply; revenue-generating nonprofits may apply (nonprofits whose primary activity is charitable giving may not).	$15 (fee waiver available on request)	ambergrantsforwomen.com
6	Open	Hey Helen Grant	Visionaries (Visionaries Media LLC)	$10,000 to one recipient each month, unrestricted	Monthly - last day of each month, 11:59 p.m. ET (next: November 30, 2026); one application stays on file for 12 monthly rounds	Founders who identify as women (eligible nonbinary founders welcome) and own 100% of the business, or co-own a business in which women hold at least 50%. Legal US residents aged 18+. Business legally registered in the US, for-profit and actively operating, under $1,000,000 in annual gross revenue, with a US business bank account that can receive ACH transfers. Pre-revenue businesses welcome if registered. Nonprofits are not eligible.	$15	visionaries.co
7	Open	Freed Fellowship Grant	Freed Fellowship	$500 to one recipient each month; monthly Fellows are also considered for a $2,500 year-end grant	Rolling monthly - applications received by midnight ET on the last day of the month count for that month (next: November 30, 2026)	Any micro or small business owner in the United States. For-profit businesses only; nonprofits are not currently eligible. Women, minority and other underrepresented owners are especially encouraged. Every applicant receives scored feedback.	$19	www.freedfellowship.com
8	Open	HerRise MicroGrant	HerSuiteSpot (Yva Jourdan Foundation)	$1,000 to one recipient each month	Monthly - apply by 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the month (next: November 30, 2026)	Businesses at least 51% owned by women, currently registered in the US, with less than $1 million in gross revenue. Aimed at under-resourced women, including women of color.	$15	www.hersuitespot.com
9	Open	Big Idea Grant	YippityDoo (Yippity Doo LLC)	$1,000 to one for-profit business each month	Monthly - due 11:59 p.m. PT on the last day of the month (next: November 30, 2026)	Applicants aged 18+ who reside and operate in the United States. For-profit business at least 50% woman-owned and woman-run; operational or idea/startup stage. One application per business per month.	$15	www.yippitydoo.com
10	Open	Small Business Digital Ready Grant	Verizon (administered by LISC)	$10,000; 10 businesses selected each month from June to December 2026	Apply any time in 2026; the two free courses or events that unlock the application must be completed by December 7, 2026; all applicants receive a final decision by January 12, 2027	Owners of for-profit small businesses based in the United States, Puerto Rico or the US Virgin Islands, aged 18+. A free Digital Ready account is required. Nonprofits are not eligible. Priority is given to businesses in under-resourced, low-to-moderate income communities.	Free	digitalready.verizonwireless.com
11	Open	Small Business Grant Program (2027)	Hiring Our Heroes - US Chamber of Commerce Foundation (supported by FedEx)	Four grants of $10,000 and one grand prize of $25,000	December 15, 2026, 11:59 p.m. EDT	For-profit businesses at least 51% owned by an honorably discharged veteran, a current Guard or Reserve member, or a current military spouse; 3 to 20 employees including the owner; under $5 million in annual revenue; located in an economically vulnerable community or able to show financial need from hardship. Owner must be a legal US resident living in one of the 50 states.	Free	www.hiringourheroes.org

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12	Open	Small Business Grant	SecretSoS	$2,500 - one grant awarded per quarter	Fourth-quarter 2026 window closes December 31, 2026, 11:59 p.m. CT; applications do not roll over between quarters	US residents aged 21+ (including DC and Puerto Rico) with ownership in a registered business entity, who also meet at least one of: (i) financially distressed - denied or does not qualify for a bank loan; (ii) woman-, veteran- or minority-owned; (iii) located in an economic development zone.	$15 (waived for Top Secret Funding Blueprint subscribers)	secretsos.com
13	Open	Back to Business Program - Storefront Repair Fund and Storefront Security Fund	City of Seattle, Office of Economic Development	Repair Fund: reimbursement up to $5,000 per incident, up to 3 incidents per calendar year. Security Fund: one-time reimbursement up to $10,000	Applications are open through December 2026, or until funds run out	Businesses with an active City of Seattle business license, located in Seattle, independently owned (independently owned franchises are eligible), for-profit or nonprofit, with no more than 50 full-time-equivalent employees and annual net revenue over $1,000 and up to $7 million. The Repair Fund covers storefront damage from vandalism or other property damage that occurred on or after July 1, 2024; a police incident number and paid invoices are required.	Free	www.seattle.gov
14	Open	Breakthrough Grant (Volume IV)	Her Agenda	$5,000 to one entrepreneur, unrestricted	January 19, 2027; winner announced in March 2027	Women entrepreneurs with a currently operating business, in any industry or stage. Applicants must be active subscribers to the Her Agenda newsletter - a mandatory requirement for consideration.	$25 ($12.50 for Her Agenda INSIDER members)	grant.heragenda.com
15	Open	Small Business Advantage Grant (2026-2027)	Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection	Reimbursement of 50% to 80% of eligible project costs; maximum award from $7,500 up to $12,000, depending on project impact and whether the project is in an Environmental Justice Area	Closes March 19, 2027, or earlier when funds are fully committed; applications considered first-come, first-served	Pennsylvania-based businesses with 100 or fewer full-time employees. The project must improve energy efficiency or reduce pollution or waste, and for most project types must save the business at least $500 and 20% a year in related expenses. Project work must start on or after July 1, 2026 and be completed by June 30, 2027.	Free	www.pa.gov
16	Open	Growth Grants	NASE (National Association for the Self-Employed)	Up to $4,000; four winners chosen each quarter	Rolling - applications accepted year-round and reviewed quarterly (applications received October to December are reviewed in January)	NASE members only: annual members may apply immediately; monthly members may apply after 90 days of membership. Funds may be used for marketing, advertising, hiring, equipment, software or expanding facilities; they cannot be used to pay off existing debt.	No application fee; paid NASE membership required	www.nase.org
17	Open	EmpowHer Grant	Boundless Futures Foundation	Up to $50,000, paid as reimbursement against receipts	Fall 2026 cycle opened November 1, 2026; applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and grants are awarded in spring 2027; no single closing date is published	Female founders aged 22+. The business must be a registered for-profit entity operating in the United States, more than 50% woman-owned, already earning revenue, and no more than five years old, and must make a clear social impact: poverty, hunger or humanitarian aid, or sustainability and the environment. Funded applicants self-report a credit score and agree to a third-party background check. Applications are submitted through the foundation's Submittable portal, linked from its website.	Free	boundlessfutures.org

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18	Open	Local Small Business Expanded Repair/Restore Grant	Prosper Portland (City of Portland)	Reimbursement up to $25,000 over the life of the program for eligible repairs	Ongoing - applications remain open until all available funds have been disbursed	Small businesses and nonprofits located in the City of Portland occupying a ground-floor storefront (storefronts and food carts), with 50 or fewer employees, a current City of Portland business license and Oregon registration, that sustained physical or economic damage due to break-ins or vandalism.	Free	prosperportland.us
19	Open	Skills for Small Business	Texas Workforce Commission	$2,000 per new employee and $1,000 per incumbent employee in training funding, paid to the college providing the training (not cash to the business)	Rolling - the program has no expiration date; businesses may apply at any time	Texas businesses with fewer than 100 employees. Training is for full-time employees and must be provided by a public community or technical college. Employers must pay the prevailing wage in their local labor market.	Free	www.twc.texas.gov
20	Open	60% Pledge Program	Feed the Soul Foundation	$2,500 bookkeeping micro-grant, paid directly to a vetted bookkeeping partner (not cash to the business), plus a 6-week financial-readiness training program	Applications now open (official page checked November 3, 2026); 45 spots nationwide, 15 per region; no fixed closing date published	Culinary businesses in operation for 36 months (3 years) or less, with no QuickBooks account and no existing accounting system, accountant or bookkeeper. Participants attend training classes (2 hours per week) and set up a QuickBooks account during the program. Cohorts run in 10 listed city regions.	Free	feedthesoulfou.org

Official pages (full links, in table order)

1. Tory Burch Foundation Fellows Program - https://www.toryburchfoundation.org/fellows/
2. IFW Startup Accelerator Grant - https://www.ifundwomen.com/grants/startup-accelerator-grant
3. Small Business Boost Grant - https://www.shophand.com/small-business-boost-grant
4. Evolve Grant - https://www.entreprenista.com/evolve-grant
5. Amber Grant - https://ambergrantsforwomen.com/grant-rules/
6. Hey Helen Grant - https://visionaries.co/helen-grant/
7. Freed Fellowship Grant - https://www.freedfellowship.com/grant
8. HerRise MicroGrant - https://www.hersuitespot.com/herrise
9. Big Idea Grant - https://www.yippitydoo.com/big-idea-grant-terms-and-conditions/
10. Small Business Digital Ready Grant - https://digitalready.verizonwireless.com/funding/details
11. Small Business Grant Program (2027) - https://www.hiringourheroes.org/small-business-grant/
12. Small Business Grant - https://secretsos.com/grants
13. Back to Business Program - Storefront Repair Fund and Storefront Security Fund - https://www.seattle.gov/documents/departments/economicdevelopment/smallbusinesssupport/backtobusiness/applicationguide/backtobusiness_applicationguide_english.pdf
14. Breakthrough Grant (Volume IV) - https://grant.heragenda.com/
15. Small Business Advantage Grant (2026-2027) - https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dep/programs-and-services/grants-loans-rebates/small-business-ombudsmans-office/small-business-advantage-grant
16. Growth Grants - https://www.nase.org/become-a-member/grants-and-scholarships
17. EmpowHer Grant - https://boundlessfutures.org
18. Local Small Business Expanded Repair/Restore Grant - https://prosperportland.us/our-work/repair-restore-grant-program/
19. Skills for Small Business - https://www.twc.texas.gov/programs/skills-small-business
20. 60% Pledge Program - https://feedthesoulfou.org/60-pledge-program/

Three dates and status, entry by entry

1. Tory Burch Foundation Fellows Program - Source: Funder's official website (Tory Burch Foundation program page) | Announced: Not stated on the official page | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Closing soon - 14 days left. Closes November 17, 2026 - 14 days left as of November 3, 2026.

2. IFW Startup Accelerator Grant - Source: Funder's official website (IFundWomen - now IFW by Honeycomb Credit) | Announced: Not stated on the official page | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Closing soon - 27 days left. Closes November 30, 2026 - 27 days left as of November 3, 2026.

3. Small Business Boost Grant - Source: Company's official website (Shophand grant page) | Announced: Round 2 (current round; opening date not stated on the official page) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Closing soon - 27 days left. Round 2 closes November 30, 2026 - 27 days left as of November 3, 2026.

4. Evolve Grant - Source: Organizer's official website (Entreprenista) | Announced: Not stated on the official page | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Closing soon - 27 days left. Promotion ends November 30, 2026 - 27 days left as of November 3, 2026.

5. Amber Grant - Source: Funder's official website (WomensNet - official grant rules page) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (monthly program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - monthly program; the current round closes November 30, 2026, and a new round opens the next month.

6. Hey Helen Grant - Source: Funder's official website (Visionaries - official grant terms page) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (monthly program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - monthly program; the current round closes November 30, 2026, and a new round opens the next month.

7. Freed Fellowship Grant - Source: Funder's official website (Freed Fellowship grant page) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (monthly program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - rolling monthly; the current round closes November 30, 2026, and a new round opens the next month.

8. HerRise MicroGrant - Source: Funder's official website (HerSuiteSpot) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (monthly program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - monthly program; the current round closes November 30, 2026, and a new round opens the next month.

9. Big Idea Grant - Source: Funder's official website (YippityDoo - official terms and conditions) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (monthly program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - monthly program; the current round closes November 30, 2026, and a new round opens the next month.

10. Small Business Digital Ready Grant - Source: Corporate program's official website (Verizon Digital Ready, administered by LISC) | Announced: Monthly awards run June to December 2026 (official page) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - the two free courses that unlock the application must be completed by December 7, 2026 (34 days).

11. Small Business Grant Program (2027) - Source: Foundation's official website (US Chamber of Commerce Foundation - Hiring Our Heroes) | Announced: 2027 program (announcement date not stated on the official page) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - closes December 15, 2026 (42 days).

12. Small Business Grant - Source: Funder's official website (SecretSoS grants page) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (quarterly program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - the fourth-quarter window closes December 31, 2026 (58 days); applications do not roll over.

13. Back to Business Program - Storefront Repair Fund and Storefront Security Fund - Source: City government official website (seattle.gov - official application guide PDF) | Announced: Not stated on the official page | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - applications run through December 2026, or until funds run out.

14. Breakthrough Grant (Volume IV) - Source: Publisher's official grant page (Her Agenda) | Announced: Not stated on the official page | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - closes January 19, 2027 (77 days).

15. Small Business Advantage Grant (2026-2027) - Source: State government official website (pa.gov - PA Department of Environmental Protection) | Announced: 2026-2027 program year; eligible project work starts July 1, 2026 (official page) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - closes March 19, 2027 (136 days), or earlier if funds are fully committed.

16. Growth Grants - Source: Association's official website (NASE) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (year-round program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - accepted year-round, reviewed quarterly.

17. EmpowHer Grant - Source: Foundation's official website (Boundless Futures Foundation) | Announced: Fall 2026 cycle opened November 1, 2026 (official page) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - Fall 2026 cycle opened November 1, 2026; rolling review, awards in spring 2027.

18. Local Small Business Expanded Repair/Restore Grant - Source: City agency official website (Prosper Portland) | Announced: Not stated on the official page | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - until all available funds have been disbursed.

19. Skills for Small Business - Source: State government official website (twc.texas.gov - Texas Workforce Commission) | Announced: Not stated on the official page (ongoing program) | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - the program has no expiration date.

20. 60% Pledge Program - Source: Foundation's official website (Feed the Soul Foundation) | Announced: Not stated on the official page | Retrieved & verified: November 3, 2026 | Status: Open. Open - applications are being accepted now; no fixed closing date is published.

Every entry verified on November 3, 2026. Statuses and days-left figures are as of that date. Deadlines and terms can change - confirm on the official page before you apply.