

JobsOhio® Small Business Grant

REDI Cincinnati is pleased to offer the JobsOhio Small Business Grant, which provides financial support for eligible projects in southwest Ohio and across the state.

JobsOhio Small Business Grant decisions are based on several project factors, including but not limited to jobs created and/or retained and project fixed asset investment. Support is intended for small- to medium-sized companies in southwest Ohio with annual revenues of up to \$25 million.



IS YOUR BUSINESS ELIGIBLE?

Eligible southwest Ohio companies must have been **in operation for at least one (1) year** and be able to demonstrate **\$100,000 in annual revenues**.

Companies must be engaged in the following REDI Cincinnati and JobsOhio targeted industries and business functions: **Advanced Manufacturing, Additive Manufacturing, Aerospace & Aviation, Automotive, Autonomous Mobility, Energy & Chemicals, Financial Services, Insurtech, Food & Agribusiness, Healthcare & Biomedical, Gene Therapy, Logistics & Distribution, Military & Federal, Technology and Cybersecurity.**

Ineligible projects and companies include retail or operations that include point-of-final-purchase transactions at a facility open to the public or other population-driven businesses that derive most of their sales from in-person delivery of services or products.

“As a small business, every dollar counts, and the JobsOhio Small Business Grant came at exactly the right time. It enabled me to secure the perfect location for a much-needed expansion to keep pace with my growing business. Not only was the grant instrumental in advancing this next phase of growth, but the partnership with REDI Cincinnati also opened valuable connections that are helping my dream stay on a strong growth trajectory.”

- Sylvia Brownlee
Founder and Owner of Skin By Brownlee



PROJECT DEFINITION

Projects require a commitment over time and will be defined by an appropriate combination of the following metrics:

fixed asset investment, job and payroll creation, job and payroll retention, employees trained, and training costs.

Eligible projects that improve operational efficiency along with job retention will be considered for support.

ELIGIBLE COSTS

The JobsOhio Small Business Grant targets fixed asset investment in machinery and equipment, real estate investments including redevelopment, and training costs.

These may include:

- Land
- Building
- Leasehold improvements
- Machinery and equipment
- Moving and relocation costs of machinery and equipment related to the project
- Infrastructure
- Site development
- Revitalization costs including demolition, renovation, and environmental remediation
- Fees and material costs related to planning and feasibility studies
- Engineering services
- Employee training costs
- Information technology including hardware and industry-specific software
- Rolling stock (defined as anything that must be registered with a government entity and/or travels on a public right of way)

INELIGIBLE COSTS

These may include:

- Bonds or other debt instruments issued by the grantee to finance completion of the site improvement project shall not be retired or otherwise serviced with grant funds
- Administrative costs (including salaries and travel expenses)
- Contributions and donations by the grantee to individuals or to other organizations
- Costs (fines, penalties, assessments) resulting from violation of or failure to comply with federal, state, and local laws and regulations
- Food, drinks, and entertainment
- Goods and services for personal use by the grantee's employees
- Long-term housing and personal living expenses
- Interest on borrowed money
- Organized fundraising
- Travel expenses
- Taxes from which the grantee is normally exempt

DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

The JobsOhio Small Business Grant is reimbursement based and requires supporting documentation including proof of payment. JobsOhio may consider alternatives to proof of payment at time of reimbursement request under special circumstances and as approved by leadership.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



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