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**Second group of ARPA funds for small businesses awarded**

*SPRINGFIELD, Mo.* – The Greene County Commission approved 29 awards on Tuesday to small businesses that applied for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) COVID-19 relief funds.

The following is a list of those businesses and awards in their dollar amount:

	<b>Business Name</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
1	Angels and Outlaws	11,000.00
2	Auto Gallery	12,250.00
3	Best Of Luck Beer Hall	12,250.00
4	Bishop Motors LLC	11,500.00
5	Boettcher Svc and Supply Inc	13,750.00
6	Civil Kitchen	26,750.00
7	Consumers Hardware	11,250.00
8	Esterly, Schneider & Assoc Inc	18,750.00
9	Hines Street Pharmacy LLC	16,500.00
10	Independent Printing Inc	12,500.00
11	Investigative Products & Svcs	5,000.00
12	JJJ Development	5,300.00
13	Kerris Kidsville Babyville LLC	14,750.00
14	La Quinta Inn & Suites	15,750.00
15	Lae's Authentic Egg Rolls	10,000.00
16	Mostly Serious LLC	16,000.00
17	Nicholas R Hein Dds LLC	13,750.00
18	Ozark Refuse Inc	17,000.00
19	Plan 3 LLC	12,750.00
20	Public Safety Solutions Mo LLC	12,250.00

21	Ren Hair Studio LLC	11,250.00
22	RMS Automotive	11,000.00
23	Savoy Ballroom	10,250.00
24	Sign Pro	11,750.00
25	Solera Energy LLC	25,500.00
26	Sunbelt Environmental	22,500.00
27	Sunnyland Travel Center	11,250.00
28	Turner Processing	12,000.00
29	Village Pottery Cafe LLC	14,500.00

A total of \$399,050 was awarded to businesses in this second group of funding. Applications that were submitted are still being reviewed and will be awarded in the future. The first-round application period was open for six weeks from April 20 to May 31, 2022.

The County used federal ARPA guidelines to determine award eligibility. Additionally, the County set up an online application process where businesses had to demonstrate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and provide supporting documentation.

Awards were also adjusted considering the size of the business and if it received additional pandemic funds. Finally, applications were reviewed by a nine-person Advisory Committee established on Jan. 19, 2022.

The Greene County Commission and ARPA team focused on small businesses with 50 employees or less for awards in the first round of funding. The average number of employees was 10.

“The Commission believes that our small businesses are the foundation of our community’s economy,” said Presiding Commissioner Bob Dixon. “They employ our citizens and pay taxes which fund vital services. It made sense to make small business relief a cornerstone of our recovery efforts.”

Federal ARPA funds are designed to support local economic recovery efforts from the COVID-19 pandemic. Greene County has received a total of \$56.9 million in ARPA funds.

Due to the large number of applications this cycle, the County Commission is currently reevaluating how many future rounds of funding will be needed. Approximately \$8 million dollars has been allocated for small business ARPA applications.

For more information on ARPA small business applications and any future updates, please visit this website: [arp.greenecountymo.gov](http://arp.greenecountymo.gov).

Nonprofit ARPA applications are still being developed and will open soon.

All Greene County ARPA funds must be allocated by Dec. 31, 2024. All projects funded by the County must be completed by Dec. 31, 2026.

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*Greene County is the State of Missouri's fourth most populous county, serving approximately 295,000 people. Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.*

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