Background

In January 2020 the first case of COVID-19 was discovered in the United States. The resulting global pandemic disrupted the daily lives of all people and caused many business to close, many to lose employment and made it more difficult for others to find employment. The virus continues to infect thousands each day as people try to get back to some sense of normalcy while businesses begin to reopen.

The White Mountain Apache Tribe is extending the opportunity for small businesses/entrepreneur to apply for the grant made available with the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Eligibility

Eligible recipients for the ARPA Grant are limited to small businesses/entrepreneur who are members of the WMAT that have been negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Applicant must have a WMAT business license prior to award. The WMAT Treasurer can be contacted for further information regarding the license at dpeaches@wmat.us.

**Award Amount**: Maximum award amount of $50,000 per applicant.

Applying

Applicants must submit an application (page 2). Failure to submit an application as described below will result in the application being considered incomplete. Incomplete applications will not be funded.
The following should be submitted on a separate document:

**Grant Application – Page 1**

Applicant Info: Small business name and contact information.

Primary Contact: Name, address, e-mail, and phone number(s) for the primary point of contact.

**Project Summary - Page 2 & 3**

Project Summary: A short description of the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on your business and/or how this funding would help mitigate issues related to COVID-19.

Narrative: A narrative describing the following:

1. The proposed program or project;
2. The purpose of the program or project and how it has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic;
3. The need that the program or project aims to fulfill, the population targeted, if any, and the estimated number of people who will be served by the grant;
4. The partners in the program or project, and other entities providing funding and support (please indicate whether the organization will be submitting applications to any other tribes); and,
5. The timetable for implementation of the program or project.

**Signatures – Page 4**

Signatures: Signatures of the owners of the small business/entity.

**Budget – Page 5**

Attachments: Attach a detailed budget for the project, a statement addressing the need for the funding and any other relevant attachments.
**Important Dates**

November 1, 2021: Grant applications made available to the public.

December 31, 2024: Grant application deadline or until funding has been depleted.

**Submission Information:**

Mailed to:
- White Mountain Apache Tribe
- Attn: ARPA Grant
- PO 700
- Whiteriver, AZ 85941

Emailed to: arpa.rfp@wmat.us

Dropped off in person to the WMAT Business Office:
- 306 N Chief Ave
- Whiteriver, AZ 85941