



**CITY OF RACINE MAYORAL PROCLAMATION
SMALL BUSINESS EMERGENCY FUND**

March 20, 2020

Whereas, on March 18, 2020, I proclaimed a public health emergency to exist in the City of Racine as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

Whereas, COVID-19 continues to spread throughout the southeastern Wisconsin region, necessitating updated and more stringent guidance from federal, state, and local public health officials; and

Whereas, the extant public health emergency has created financial difficulties for many City of Racine residents and small businesses; and

Now therefore, in accordance with the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Racine by Wisconsin Statutes sections 62.09(8)(a), 323.11, and 323.14(4), and by Racine Ordinance section 34-1, I do declare, proclaim, and order as follows:


The Small Business Emergency Fund is hereby created.

The Small Business Emergency Fund is a forgivable loan program created for businesses under distress from the recession caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, funded by redirecting \$250,000 provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 2020 Micro Fund Program.

Specific eligibility and full program details will be available from the City of Racine Department of City Development and posted by Monday, March 23, 2020 at:
<https://www.cityofracine.org/CDV/RFP/>

The City of Racine Department of City Development staff is authorized and directed to undertake any necessary actions to carry this order into effect.

Dated at Racine, Wisconsin, this 20th day of March, 2020.


Cory Mason
Mayor