



Alaska CARES Grant Program – Applications Open!

Applications are now open for Alaska CARES Grants for up to \$100,000. Funding is limited to small businesses based, licensed, and located in Alaska with an Employer Identification Number (EIN) – including C-corps, S-corps, Partnerships, LLCs, Nonprofits (501(c)3 and 501(c)19 organizations) and sole proprietorships – meeting the following criteria:

- Business was licensed and established when the public health disaster emergency declaration was issued by Governor Dunleavy on March 11, 2020;
- Business has, on average, 50 or fewer full-time equivalent employees; and
- Business was excluded, did not qualify, or was otherwise unable to obtain funding from U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), the SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL), or other federal funding programs under the CARES Act.

Credit Union 1 members and non-members are welcome to apply.

For more information on eligibility and a link to the application portal, please visit the [AK CARES Grant Program](#) website.

Industry Call Information

We will be hosting an industry call on **Thursday, June 4** at **10:00am**, featuring Deputy Commissioner John Springsteen of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development. He will be providing updates and available to answer questions about the Alaska CARES Grant Program and will welcome your feedback on the application process.

We would love to see your smiling face there!

[Link to June 4 Call Invitation](#)

Meeting ID: 896 0157 6116

Password: CHARR

or

Call in at 1-253-215-8782

Meeting ID: 896 0157 6116

Password: 706151

National ProStart Invitational Information

While we wish the National ProStart Invitational #NPSI2020 could have taken place in Washington, D.C. as planned, high school students from all around the country will be able to get together for NPSI Live!

The online event will feature giveaways, celebrity appearances, state

competition highlights, and more!
Mark your calendars for June 4, 2020 at 2:00pm.

For additional event information, check out the link below.

[NPSI Live](#)

PPP Fixes - Make Your Voice Heard!

Congress doesn't agree on much these days – but the House of Representatives listened to us and today passed a [bipartisan bill](#) fixing the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP).

The Paycheck Protection Flexibility Act makes desperately-needed improvements for businesses with PPP loans, including:

- Greater flexibility in how a restaurant can use a PPP loan
 - Longer time for a restaurant to use a PPP loan
- Improvements to the rehiring deadline to allow a PPP loan to be forgiven

More details on the bill can be found on the National Restaurant Association's [advocacy website](#).

The bill was approved overwhelmingly in the House, but it has an uncertain path in the Senate.

They need to hear from you now to pass this bill, fix the PPP, and preserve America's hospitality industry.

Click [here](#) to contact your Senators and make your voice heard.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Alaska hospitality!

ABC Board Meeting

The next regular ABC Board meeting will take place next week, where the board will be reviewing applications and discussing whether some of the emergency actions are still necessary. Our team has been emphasizing to the AMCO staff the necessity for expeditious approvals to temporary licensed premises changes, particularly those that would expand into outdoor areas. If you have hoped to apply for such changes, you should consider calling into the meeting. Meeting and call-in information is provided below, and AMCO will be uploading the meeting agenda to its [homepage](#) later this week.

Date: June 9, 2020

Time: 9:00am

Telephonic: 1-800-315-6338 Access Code 69173

Alaska CHARR Membership

Have you appreciated all the resources CHARR has provided during this crisis? Consider becoming a member so that we can continue to provide you the most up-to-date information and resources in addition to our regular fantastic benefits. Contact Rory McAllister, our Membership & Gaming Manager, for more information at 907-274-8133 or rmcallister@alaskacharr.com.

Help us in the fight to #saveAKhospitality! Together, we are #alaskastrong.

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