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Florida SBDC at UWF Assists Santa Rosa County with Small Business Economic Recovery Grant

Pensacola, FL – The Florida Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at UWF has joined efforts with Santa Rosa County to promote and process the county's upcoming Small Business Economic Recovery Grant Program.

Santa Rosa County has made an initial allocation of \$1.9 million of CARES Act funding to provide grants of up to \$20,000 to eligible small businesses. In partnership with the Florida Small Business Development Center, applications will be reviewed on a first come, first served basis. Only eligible and completed applications with required supporting documentations will be accepted. Grant funding will be disbursed from the Santa Rosa County Grants Department by check via mail to the listed address of the business.

The application period opens on **September 28 at 8 a.m. and closes on October 16 at 5 p.m.** *Applications received before or after this time frame will not be reviewed.*To **download the application** or for more information on eligibility requirements, required documents, and grant amount tiers please visit <u>santarosaready.com.</u>

Those wishing to stay current on updates from the SBDC regarding this and other grant programs should go to sbdc.uwf.edu and click on "Request SBDC Consulting". Be sure to include "Santa Rosa Grant Information" in the description to receive any email updates that get sent out.

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Florida SBDC workshops, seminars, and conferences provide practical, up-to-date information on business topics ranging from the basics to more advanced business management skills. Instructors include Florida SBDC certified business consultants, faculty from higher education, government experts, and private-sector professionals.

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