

Micro-Business Hurricane Relief Grant

Small businesses are an essential component of every community. In addition to providing employment, they serve our community in many ways. Unfortunately, many of our small businesses have been severely impacted by Hurricane Irma causing significant damage to their success.

The Micro-Business Hurricane Relief Grant is a collaboration between Branches and United Way of Miami-Dade to support micro-businesses in post-Irma recovery efforts. Available grant amounts range from \$1,000-\$5,000 and are aimed at offsetting economic injury as a result of Hurricane Irma.

Eligibility Criteria

- Must be in operation within Miami-Dade County for at least 1 year
- Must be a microbusiness with no more than 5 employees and annual revenues under \$300,000
- Able to demonstrate physical damage and/or economic injury as a result of the Hurricane Irma
- Able to demonstrate that the funds received would sustain operations and/or stimulate growth



Application Process

- Online application will open Monday, November 6th and close on Friday, November 23rd
- Apply online at www.branchesfl.org/ASSETS
- Applicants selected to advance in the application process will be required to:
 - attend one coaching session with a Business Coach from ASSETS of Branches
 - provide supporting documentation
 - provide invoice and payment information that facilitates grant disbursement directly to vendor
- Supporting documentation may include picture ID, business licenses, business utility bills, bank statements, tax records, and photographs
- Incomplete applications will not be considered in the final selection
- Grantor discretion will be utilized throughout the selection process and applicants will be screened on a case-by-case basis

ASSETS Small Business Solutions (ASSETS) is a small business development program providing training, coaching, and technical assistance to aspiring entrepreneurs, start-ups, and micro-businesses. ASSETS is a program of Branches, a nonprofit organization serving South Florida since 1973. ASSETS services are provided at no cost to program participants.

United Way of Miami-Dade - Since 1924, United Way of Miami-Dade has been an innovative force in the community, successfully responding to emerging needs and transforming people's lives. Today our work is focused on education, financial stability and health – the building blocks for a good life. We invest in quality programs, advocate for better policies, engage people in the community and generate resources.

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