

## Restaurant Revitalization Fund Grant FAQs

### What is the Restaurant Revitalization Fund?

- The Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) is a \$28.6 billion fund created by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 that provides grants for bars and restaurants that have had financial losses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The total amount of federal grant each applicant is eligible for is equal to the amount of pandemic-related revenue loss minus the total amount received in all PPP loans.
- NFIB's webinar on the RRF can be watched here: <https://www.nfib.com/webinars/restaurant-revitalization-fund/>
- SBA's RRF Overview: [www.sba.gov/document/support-restaurant-revitalization-funding-program-guide](http://www.sba.gov/document/support-restaurant-revitalization-funding-program-guide)

### What businesses are eligible?

- Businesses where people assemble for the purpose of being served food or drinks, such as restaurants, food trucks, bars, caterers, saloons, lounges, taverns, and others.
- Breweries, bakeries, and wineries may have limited eligibility and may need to prove that on-site food and beverage sales were at least 33% of their gross receipts.
- Entities that own or operate fewer than 20 locations as of March 13, 2020.
- Businesses must not be permanently closed.

### How much grant money are businesses eligible for?

- The general rule is that pandemic-related revenue losses are calculated by deducting 2020 gross receipts from 2019 gross receipts, then subtracting the amount received in First and Second Draw PPP loans.
- The minimum grant amount is \$1,000, and the maximum amount is \$5 million per location, or \$10 million total for the entity.
- Grants will not be taxed as federal gross income.

### What expenses can be paid with RRF grants?

- Payroll, mortgage obligations, rent, utilities, maintenance, supplies, food and beverage expenses, covered supplier expenses, operational expenses, and paid sick leave are all eligible.
- Expenses must be incurred between February 15, 2020 and March 11, 2023.

## Where do businesses apply?

- Qualified businesses can apply through the Small Business Administration (SBA) website.
- Registration will begin Friday, April 30, 2021 at 9:00 AM EDT. The application window opens on Monday, May 3 at 12:00 pm EDT. The online application will remain open to any eligible establishment until all funds are exhausted. More information is available on the SBA website: <https://www.sba.gov/article/2021/apr/27/sba-administrator-guzman-announces-application-opening-286-billion-restaurant-revitalization-fund>
- **What documents do businesses need to apply?**
- Documents needed to apply for an RRF grant include an application, the IRS Form 4506-T, and gross receipts documentation.
- SBA's sample RRF grant application: [www.sba.gov/document/sba-form-3172-restaurant-revitalization-funding-application-sample](http://www.sba.gov/document/sba-form-3172-restaurant-revitalization-funding-application-sample)

## Where can I call with more RRF program questions?

- SBA's RRF Hotline phone number is 844.279.8898 (Monday – Friday 7:00am – 7:00pm Central Time)

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