

**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR PLANNING AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT**

**AMENDED NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)**

**FY26 Locally Made Manufacturing Grant Program**

**Amended Request for applications (RFA) Release Date:** January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**RFA ID No:** FY26-BD-LO-LMM

**Introduction:** The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (“DMPED”) invites the submission of applications from qualified organizations for a grant pursuant to the Great Streets Initiative under the DC Locally Made Manufacturing grant program (“Program”). The purpose of the Program is to encourage the production of consumer goods in the District of Columbia and add vibrancy and economic stability to the Great Streets corridors. Funding to DC manufacturers will allow them to enhance production capacity, increase employment for local residents, and strengthen DC’s manufacturing sector.

The funding opportunity is for businesses that are proposing manufacturing core operations.

For the purposes of this program, manufacturing is defined as making goods for consumers using machinery and equipment. Manufacturing involves the business of assembling, fabricating, or processing raw materials or semi-finished goods into finished products using a combination of labor, machinery, and equipment. Manufacturing requires a mechanical, physical or chemical transformation of raw materials or components into new products with a different function, character or use.

**Authority:** The Program will be funded pursuant to Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development Limited Grant-Making Authority Act of 2012, effective September 20, 2012, D.C. Official Code §-1- 328.04(a)(5), as amended, and the Great Streets Neighborhood Retail Priority Area Amendment Act of 2013 effective October 1, 2013, D.C. Official Code § 2-1217.73b).

**Anticipated Number of Awards:** DMPED expects to award multiple grants under the Program, in an aggregate amount of up to \$1,500,000, contingent on the availability of an appropriated budget in such amount.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria to be considered for an award under the Program:

- Be certified or eligible to be certified as a Local Business Enterprise (LBE) pursuant to D.C; Official Code §2-218.31
- Business may be a manufacturer, incubator, distributor or accelerator
- Have core operations that align with manufacturing: (NAICS Code 31-33)
  - Ineligible Applicants: Businesses whose core operations include packaging, bottling, labeling, warehousing, printing or distribution without substantial manufacturing operations (NAICS 323, 424, 561910 or similar)

- Includes an on-site retail component that sells general or merchandise goods
- Create 2 or more jobs with a commitment to hire District residents
- At least 51% of gross annual revenue must derive from the sale of goods that the applicant has manufactured in the District
- Serves or may serve a community anchor and impacts the Great Streets corridor and community by its presence
- Support existing retailers and the designated Great Streets corridor's economic vitality by attracting new consumers and/or visitors to the area.
- Be located in or abutting an existing Great Streets corridor, as defined in D.C. Code § 2-1217.73. See map: <https://opendata.dc.gov/apps/great-streets-lookup/explore>

Additional details about eligibility and criteria for selecting applicants will be included in the RFA.

**Grant Information Session:** DMPED will host virtual and in-person information sessions for interested applicants. Please check DMPED's website for more details:

<https://dmped.dc.gov/service/grant-opportunities>.

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**Availability of RFA:** The Amended RFA will be released on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026 and posted at

<https://dmped.dc.gov/service/grant-opportunities>.

**Grant Application Submission Deadline:** Applications will be accepted through January 23, 2026, at 12:00PM ET. All applications must be submitted electronically, according to the instructions contained in the RFA. Late applications will not be accepted.

**Application Process:** The grant application process will include an initial screening of applications to evaluate the completeness of the application, followed by scoring by a review panel, and a final approval of funding by the Deputy Mayor. Within 45 days of the application close date, DMPED will notify all applicants as to whether the application is moving from the initial screening phase to the scoring phase.

**Final Determination of Award:** DMPED anticipates making a final determination of award within four months of the application close date. Award and funding determinations are final and cannot be appealed. The Deputy Mayor will make the final funding decision, based on a review panel's recommendations, the Mayor's budget priorities, the available resources, the goal of achieving a balance as to communities served, and the goals of the Program.

**Reservations:** DMPED reserves the right to issue addenda and/or amendments subsequent to the issuance of the NOFA or RFA or it may rescind the NOFA or RFA at any time in its sole discretion.