



# Microenterprise Loan/Grant Program

## Would you like to start or grow your small business?

- Create your own job?
- Use your talents and creativity?
- Increase your income?
- Be able to work from home?

## Have you been unable to get a loan from a bank or credit union?

- You're just starting out or haven't been in business long enough?
- You don't have enough collateral to secure the loan?
- Your credit score is less than perfect?

## An Erie County Microenterprise Loan/Grant can help!

- A "Microenterprise" is a business having five or fewer employees, one or more of whom owns the business
- The Microenterprise Loan/Grant Fund is a 50/50 loan versus grant program that can be for as little as \$5,000 and up to \$35,000.
- The loan/grant can be used for working capital or the purchase of machinery and equipment.

For more information, please call **858-6409** or **856-6525** or visit our website at **[www.erie.gov/environment](http://www.erie.gov/environment)** and click on **Microenterprise Loan/Grant Funding**.



**Yes, I would like to speak with a Microenterprise Loan/Grant expert! Please contact me!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Best Time To Call \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### To help us better meet your needs, Check areas of interest:

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|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business Loan    | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources     | <input type="checkbox"/> Market Research            | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Projections  | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Counseling | <input type="checkbox"/> Procurement                | <input type="checkbox"/> Sales        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting/Taxes    | <input type="checkbox"/> Start up Business Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Issues |

### How did you hear about the Microenterprise Loan/Grant Program?

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|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bank               | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business Development Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Word of Mouth                | <input type="checkbox"/> Job Fair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper/Radio Ad | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____ |                                   |



**If your business will be located in one of the Green Shaded Community Development Block Grant Communities and you meet the Family Income Guidelines below, you may be eligible for an Erie County Microenterprise Loan/Grant!**

Erie County,  
New York



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