

# IHCC Foundation Microgrant Application

The Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is helping businesses meet the extraordinary challenges presented by federal immigration enforcement activities targeting immigrant communities throughout Chicago and the suburbs, offering enhanced business support services and workshops. Now, the IHCC Foundation (501c3) is sponsoring a microgrant program to help small businesses that have suffered. The impacted businesses may include:

- Brick-and-mortar shops facing reduced foot traffic and experiencing fewer work hours
- Seasonal construction or landscaping businesses whose workforce and schedules have been disrupted

## **Eligibility:**

- Must be in business for at least 2 years and in good standing with the State of Illinois
- Businesses with 10 or less employees
- Only one business / location per owner eligible
- Include a written explanation, in your own words, describing how the actions of immigration authorities affected your business, including any documented loss of income and mentions of specific timelines (fewer customers, drop in sales, reduced hours, cancellation of events, etc)

**Note to applicants:** If awarded a grant, it is subject to taxes.

## **Instructions to Submit Application:**

To submit this application form, attach all supporting documentation and email it to [ihccfoundation@ihccbusiness.net](mailto:ihccfoundation@ihccbusiness.net), or you can mail the application or drop-off in person at 180 N Michigan Ave. Suite 500, Chicago, IL 60608.

If you have any questions or would like assistance, please call or email us at:  
[ihccfoundation@ihccbusiness.net](mailto:ihccfoundation@ihccbusiness.net) (312) 495-9500

## **Grant Review Disclaimer:**

All grant applications are reviewed through a fair, neutral, and nondiscriminatory process. Submission of an application does not guarantee funding, and no preference is given based on prior relationships, affiliations, or familiarity with the applicant. Grant awards are made at the sole discretion of the grant selection committee following an independent review of each application against established criteria and subject to available funding.

Date:

Full Name:

Name of Business:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:

Year Businesses was Established:

Industry:

Are you currently registered with the State of Illinois? Yes      No

Is running your business your full-time position? Yes      No

If no, please explain:

How many employees do you have?

Please provide an explanation of how the increased levels of federal enforcement activity in your neighborhood had led to a decrease in revenue for your business (maximum 500 words):