



# GREATER FREMONT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



## DODGE COUNTY NE THE WELSTEAD FUND A SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF PROGRAM

### OVERVIEW

The Dodge County Small Business Relief Fund provides a grant opportunity to the existing Welstead Fund, a micro-loan fund that provides small loans to startups, newly established, or growing businesses.

The Welstead Fund was named after the late Marvin Welstead, a Fremont advocate and co-founder of the Greater Fremont Development Council. His vision was to see the Fremont area grow and seeing small businesses thrive.

### WHAT



Project must make high, positive impact to the facade and interior of the building



Loan provides a maximum of up to \$5,000 per project and requires a 1:1 match



For applicants requesting a \$5,000 loan, they will be eligible to receive a \$1,000 grant.

### APPLICATION PROCESS



#### Eligibility

Small Businesses with 20 FTE or less



#### Apply

Fill out application and submit to GFDC



#### Review

Application is reviewed by Welstead Review Committee



#### Approval

An approval letter will be sent & applicant will have 120 days to complete

### ELIGIBLE USES

- Signage
- Windows
- Paint
- Doors
- HVAC
- Electric
- Lighting
- Digital related costs
- Others deemed real estate improvements
- Energy efficiency improvements
- Payroll expenses
- Building lease/rent/mortgage
- Innovative upgrades in response to COVID-19



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