

July 14, 2021

Good evening,

This is First Selectman Jason Bowsza reaching out to all residents of the Town of East Windsor

On Monday of this week, the East Windsor Board of Selectmen announced an **Emergency Relief and Stabilization Effort (E.R.A.S.E.) Covid-19 Grant** to help combat the economic effects of the pandemic. Joining us for the announcement were Senator Blumenthal, Congressman Larson, our state legislative delegation, and business owners and nonprofit representatives from our community who shared their stories about COVID's impact on their businesses and organizations.

The Grant is funded through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021 and grant awards of up to \$10,000 will be available to small businesses and non-profit organizations located in East Windsor. Selections will be based upon a dynamic plan for the grant award's usage being submitted by the applicant.

The Town wants to act quickly to stimulate our local economy by supporting small businesses and nonprofits within East Windsor. We are committed to being partners in their success as we all come out of this once-in-a-century pandemic and help them to chart a course forward. East Windsor is open for business, and we want to use a portion of our ARP allotment to ensure that our entire community is able to build back better than we were before.

The Town of East Windsor invites businesses and non-profits to submit an application for assistance between now and August 9th. Additional grant criteria and application requirements can be found on www.eastwindsor-ct.gov.

As of the beginning of July, Town boards and commissions have resumed meetings in person. Most meetings will still be streamed live on the Zoom platform. Information about Zoom access can be found on the posted agendas on the Town website.

I wish you continued good health.