



Streatery Winter Ready Grant Program FAQs

Q. Who is eligible to participate?

A. Any food retail or non-food retail establishment with an active Sidewalk Cafe Permit (public space); or Temporary Sidewalk Cafe Permit (also known as a Streatery); or an Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) Summer Garden (private space) or Sidewalk Cafe Endorsement.

Q. Am I eligible to apply if I am an operator that lives outside of the District, but my business is located in Washington, DC?

A. Yes. All independent and locally-owned businesses may apply. Non-local franchises are ineligible for the Streatery Winter Ready Grant Program. Additionally, one or more of the following statements must apply to your business:

- More than 50% of the business is owned by District residents.
- More than 50% of my gross receipts originate in the District.
- More than 50% of my employees are District residents.

Q. I have a business with a parklet or streatery, but the BID/Main Street is the permit holder. Does the BID/Main Street need to apply for the grant on behalf of my business?

A. No. The BID/Main Street should not apply for the grant on behalf of the business. The applicant should obtain a copy of the temporary parklet permit from the BID/Main Street and submit with their application.

Q. How can the Streatery Winter Ready Grant Funds be used?

A. Prior to funds being disbursed, the applicant must submit a budget of planned expenses for review and approval. Streatery Winter Ready Grant Funds can be used to purchase, but not limited to:

- Tents (rental or purchase)
- Heaters
- Propane
- Lighting
- Furniture
- Advertising and marketing of the business



- Outdoor space operational costs

Q. What information will I need to provide in order to apply for the Streatery Winter Ready Grant?

A. Applicants must submit a valid Clean Hands Certificate, a Basic Business License, and an active Sidewalk Cafe Permit (public space); or Temporary Sidewalk Cafe Permit (also known as a Streatery); or an Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) License that includes a Summer Garden (private space) or Sidewalk Cafe Endorsement.

Q. Will I need to report my expenditures?

A. Yes. Funds must be spent and an expenditure report must be submitted by November 30, 2020. The expenditure report must include support documentation for actuals, including, but not limited to receipts, and paid invoices for all direct and indirect costs. Quotes will not be considered sufficient as proof of purchase.

Q. I purchased material and/or supplies for my outdoor space prior to the Streatery Winter Ready Grant Program. Am I eligible for reimbursement if proof of purchase is provided?

A. No. Streatery Winter Ready Grant funds may only be used for proposed future outdoor winterization expenses.

Q. When will the funds be released?

A. The disbursement of funds will begin on October 1, 2020 on a rolling basis. Applicants will receive a conditional award letter with relevant information regarding disbursement process.

Q. Who can I contact if I have further questions?

A. Please submit additional questions to nightlife@dc.gov.