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Member Grant Application Virtual Trade Shows 2020

Vermont Specialty Food Association (VSFA) Members can apply for this grant to be reimbursed for registration costs, **up to \$475**, to a 2020 virtual B2B trade show. **Grant funds will be reimbursed upon completion of participation at said virtual trade show and completion of post-show report survey.**

This Grant application will be reviewed by VSFA staff and considered for approval. If approved, a contract will be made between VSFA and the VSFA member stated below. These applications will be received and granted on a first come first served basis.

PART 1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Email: _____
Physical Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____
Phone Number: _____

PART 2: ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

***You must be registered with the Vermont Secretary of State in order to submit an application.*

Are you registered with the Vermont Secretary of State, have been in business for over one (1) year, and have an address indicating that substantial business functions are performed in Vermont? YES NO

By checking this box, I self-certify that I am in compliance with state regulations and in good standing with state of Vermont.

Legal Business Name: _____
Type of Business Entity: _____
Business Address: _____
City/Town: _____
State: _____ Zip Code: _____ County: _____
Business Website: _____



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PART 3. B2B VIRTUAL TRADE SHOW INFORMATION

**Please attach your confirmation letter confirming you have signed up and paid for said virtual trade show. This confirmation letter/email is required for approval of grant.*

Trade Show Name: _____

Trade Show Host (i.e. Good Food) _____

Trade Show Website: _____

Trade Show Event Date: _____

Trade Show Category/Theme: _____

Types of Buyers at Show: _____



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Applicant Requirements and Eligibility

I/We hereby certify that:

1. The applicant is an active member of the Vermont Specialty Food Association, and current in their dues for the calendar year in which request was made.
2. Priority will be given to businesses who have fully completed this application.
3. Applicant has attached a confirmation (email or letter) from the virtual B2B trade show certifying applicant is registered and paid for an upcoming virtual trade show event. Grant is applicable only for Business to Business (B2B) virtual trade shows, not consumer facing shows.
4. To receive grant funds, applicant must participate in the confirmed virtual trade show and complete post-show report survey. Grant funds will be reimbursed upon completion of participation at said virtual trade show and post-show report survey.
5. At least 51% of the outstanding membership or ownership of the business to be financed is held by citizens of the United States or are persons that reside in the United States and have been legally admitted for permanent residence.
6. I/We along with all principal officers of the business (including immediate family members) hereby certify that:
 - a. I/We hold no legal or financial interest of influence in the Vermont Specialty Food Association and:
 - b. The Vermont Specialty Food Association and its principal officers hold no legal or financial interest of influence in the applicant business.
7. I/We hereby certify that the undersigned and the proposed business (or any of its principals) are not delinquent on any Federal debts.
8. The applicant or any person holding 20% or more interest hereby certifies that they are not delinquent on any Federal Debt.
9. I/We hereby certify that the undersigned and the proposed business (or any of its principals) agree to all terms set forth by the Vermont Specialty Food Association.

I/we, the undersigned, affirm that all statements made on this Information Sheet are accurate and complete. I/we also agree to notify VSFA of any material changes in the information shown on this sheet or the accompanying documents. VSFA is hereby authorized to gather credit information about me/us and to respond to credit inquiries about my/our accounts. I/we understand that all application information will remain the property of VSFA. I/we certify that financing cannot be obtained from conventional credit sources, except when VSFA involvement would induce participation from conventional sources. I/we understand that the VSFA lending decision may be a matter of public record.

Applicant

Date

Co-Applicant

Date