



# CLINTON-SAMPSON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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## Clinton-Sampson Chamber of Commerce Foundation Small Business Grant Application

**Grant Amount:** \$1,000

**Application Deadline:** September 30, 2026

**Award Announcement:** October 30, 2026

### Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a current Clinton-Sampson Chamber member in good standing.
- Business must be located in Sampson County.
- Business must employ 50 or fewer employees.
- Business must have been operating for at least one year.
- Grant funds must be used for a business-related purpose that supports growth, expansion, innovation, workforce development, equipment, marketing, or improvements.
- Applicant must be willing to provide a brief follow-up report showing how the funds were used.

### Applicant Information:

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Applicant Information Cont. :

Website/Social Media: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Business Established: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Full-Time Employees: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Part-Time Employees: \_\_\_\_\_

## Business Overview:

1. Describe your business and the products or services you provide.

2. What makes your business unique?

## Grant Request:

Amount Requested: \$1000

How will the grant funds be used? Check all that apply.

- Equipment or Technology
- Building Improvements
- Marketing and Advertising
- Workforce Development/Training
- Inventory
- Expansion of Services
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide a detailed description of how the funds will be used.



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Has your business received financial assistance, grants, or incentive funding within the past two years?

Yes  No

If yes, please explain:

## Income Statement:

1. How will this grant benefit your business?

2. How will this grant positively impact the local community, workforce, or economy?

3. What outcomes do you expect to achieve within 12 months of receiving the grant?

## Supporting Documents:

Please submit the following:

- Copy of Business License, if applicable
- W-9 Form
- One-page project budget or estimate for use of funds
- Additional supporting materials, optional



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## Publicity Authorization

I authorize the Clinton-Sampson Chamber Foundation to use my business name, photographs, and project information for promotional and reporting purposes if selected as a grant recipient.

## Application Review Process:

All completed applications received by the deadline will be reviewed by a Grant Review Committee appointed by the Clinton-Sampson Chamber Foundation. The committee will evaluate applications based on demonstrated need, proposed use of funds, potential impact on the business, and benefit to the local community. The committee's recommendations will be presented to the Foundation Board for final approval.

## Conflict of Interest

Members of the Grant Review Committee and Foundation Board shall disclose any conflicts of interest and recuse themselves from reviewing or voting on applications where a conflict exists.

## Certification:

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that grant recipients may be asked to provide a follow-up report describing how the funds were used and the impact achieved.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Application must be submitted by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026 to be accepted.

\*Applications can be submitted by email to info@clintonsampsonchamber.org, dropped off at the chamber office or mailed to PO Box 467 Clinton, NC 28329.