



## MOVIE THEATER ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

October 6, 2021

### **Program summary**

Governor Tony Evers has designated \$11,250,000 from the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to eligible movie theater operators in Wisconsin. Funding for this assistance is provided to Wisconsin by the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The program is administered by the Department of Administration (DOA). Additional details are available on the [program website](#).

**Prior to contacting DOA please consult the Grant Announcement, Grant Application and this Question and Answer document available on the [Program Website](#).**

**U.S. Department of the Treasury ARPA guidance can be found [here](#).**

### **FOR ALL QUESTIONS RELATED TO APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY**

DOA will not respond to inquiries regarding an applicant's specific eligibility. Each applicant is required to determine its eligibility based on program requirements provided in the Grant Announcement. However, DOA will accept and answer questions seeking clarification of eligibility requirements. DOA will determine applicant eligibility only as a routine matter during the application review process after the application deadline has passed. Applicants should carefully review Section 4. Eligibility Requirements of the Grant Announcement prior to applying.

**1. Where can I find the application for the program?**

Response: The application is available at <https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/movietheaterassistancegrants.aspx> under the Application heading.

**2. When are applications due?**

Response: October 15, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. CDT.

**3. The movie theater grant asks if the applicant's theater started operating prior to January 1, 2020. The theater has been operating since 1996 and we closed on the property February 28, 2020. So do I answer that question as yes or no? Then for tax information, we would have to put \$0 for 2019 since we did not own it during that year. What should we do? Do we still qualify? Is there a way to submit additional information regarding when we purchased the theater?**

Response: Applicants that did not own eligible movie theaters in 2019 and therefore cannot provide 2019 federal tax return information may provide total net receipts for the theaters for 2019 as shown on audited financial statements, sale documentation or other financial statements, and are accepted at DOA's discretion. Records showing the same must be emailed to the Program at [summercampassistance@wisconsin.gov](mailto:summercampassistance@wisconsin.gov).

**4. I recently submitted my grant application for the Wisconsin Movie Theater Grant. When reviewing my application, I noticed a couple of errors. Could you please make corrections for me and confirm this email?**

Response: In accordance with Section 2.6 Withdrawal of Applications of the Grant Announcement applicants may withdraw an application at any time by submitting a request via email from an authorized representative of the applicant to the Program email [movietheaterassistance@wisconsin.gov](mailto:movietheaterassistance@wisconsin.gov). If a previously submitted application is withdrawn prior to the application submission due date and time, the applicant may submit another application on or before the Grant Application submission due date and time. Applications withdrawn after the submission due date and time may not be resubmitted.