



**Bloomington Urban Enterprise Association Board Meeting**

**April 9, 2025**

**12 p.m.**

**In-Person CityHall-1-McCloskey Conference Room**

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**Meeting ID: 845 7600 5312**

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- **Roll Call**
  - Approval of minutes - March 2025
- **Director's Report**
  - RRF Loan Conversion Proposal Progress
  - Grant Application Update
- **Financial report**
  - Dec 2024/EOY Report
  - 2025 Q1 Report - tentative
- **New Business**
  - Grant Review
    - Business Building Improvement Grants
      - Friendly Beasts
- **Unfinished Business**
- **General Discussion**
- **Adjournment**

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Bloomington Urban Enterprise Association Board Meeting

March 12, 2025

12 p.m.

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**Roll Call:**

Kate Rosenberger - Board Member

Philip Amerson - Board Member

Heather Robinson - Board member,

Mary Morgan - Board member

Brad Wisler- Board Member

Felisa Spinelli - Board member (Virtual)

Aleks Pratt - BUEA Legal Counsel

Andrea de la Rosa - Exec Dir. BUEA,

The meeting began with a welcome to Brad Whistler, representing the Plan Commission.

The February minutes were unanimously approved by roll call.

**Director's Report**

De reported on two upcoming outreach efforts: an info session for CFC tenants about tax benefits and available grants and an "8-1-2 Podcast" appearance to promote BUEA programs. She's initiating an RFP process to secure marketing support.

The service contract for EZID consulting is under internal review and will be finalized soon. Tax filings are due May 15, and early submission is encouraged to allow time for corrections. De also gave a brief overview of the EZID program for new members.

A draft proposal for the Rapid Response Fund loan forgiveness program is under review. The plan prioritizes relief for borrowers still facing hardship and is expected to come before the board in April.

**Financial Updates**

Board members expressed concerns regarding the absence of recent financial reports. At the next meeting, Cheryl will present the year-end 2024 financials and the 2025 year-to-date data. In the meantime, a new interdepartmental payment tracking system has been implemented to resolve processing delays.

To date, approximately \$110,000 has been committed to 2025 grant funding. In 2024, the board disbursed \$140,500 in arts and culture grants and \$40,000 in zone improvement funds.

There was some discussion about unspent funds from 2024—around \$9,500 left in arts and culture and just under \$35,000 in zone improvement. The group generally agreed these funds could potentially be carried over

or reallocated to 2025 grant lines, especially given the strong early demand for things like business building improvements. Several members emphasized looking at actual financials and tracking committed and disbursed amounts before making decisions. The board will continue to explore this topic next month when they have the full financial report.

### **Grant Requests**

Warehouse Community Center requested \$25,000 for kitchen upgrades. The project was seen as valuable, but the request would exceed the current budget line. The board tabled the request pending a more detailed estimate and a presentation from the applicant.

Gold Dust Records requested \$3,000 for interior improvements. The board approved the grant, contingent on clarification about the signage's compliance with city code.

The Mill requested funding for ADA-accessible entry doors. Board members expressed general support but raised questions about city responsibility and the frequency of prior requests. The application was tabled pending clarification on funding sources, cost breakdowns, and ADA obligations in city-owned properties.

### **Next Steps**

- Cheryl will prepare updated financials for the next meeting.
- De will follow up with grant applicants, distribute original grant guidelines, and provide information on The Mill's financial relationship with the city.
- The board will review current budget allocations and consider whether to reallocate unspent 2024 funds.

# BUEA Director's Report - April 2025

## RRF Loan Conversion Program

As part of the City's continued commitment to post-pandemic economic recovery, staff proposes converting outstanding Rapid Response Fund (RRF) loan balances into grants for eligible small businesses. This approach prioritizes those experiencing ongoing financial hardship and aligns with BUEA's mission to support business stability and enterprise zone revitalization.

The following is a very high-level listing of the areas addressed in the draft proposal

- **Eligibility Framework:**
  - Prioritized for borrowers demonstrating sustained financial hardship.
  - Non-profits are automatically eligible; active, financially stable borrowers are excluded.
- **Application Process:** Requires business info, financial documentation, and hardship verification.
- **Approval Structure:**
  - Staff-led compliance review followed by BUEA committee evaluation.
  - Formal notification and agreement for approved borrowers.
- **Accounting Impact:**
  - Loans reclassified as grant disbursements, reflected in 2025 budget adjustments.
  - Treated as economic recovery grants rather than defaults.
- **Compliance Measures:**
  - Documentation, borrower certification, and optional post-conversion impact reporting.
- **Implementation Timeline:** 6-month rollout from program buildout to final approvals.

We continue to work on details with the mayor's office, the office of the controller, and legal.

## Grant Application and Submitted Applications Update

Four grants and one scholarship application were submitted within days of The 812 podcast interview. This has revealed some challenges with our current grant applications. Recently submitted applications have not included some items as they are defined in the guidelines for submission but not explicitly stated in the application. Staff has either added or request the following:

- Section to upload written consent from landlord/property owner
- Section to include a simplified budget for funding requests reflecting the match funds of the applicant.
- Request to change the language of "If you are applying for the Business Building Improvement Grant, can you match up to 50%of your total funding request?" to "If you are applying for the Business Building Improvement Grant, can you match up to 50% of the total project cost?"

The Mill -

- The board requested clarification regarding the following:
  - Funding received by the Mill from the City.



- The Mill received 175k from the city this year to support its various programs. However, the City does not provide operating funds.
- Terms of the Mill's lease agreement, as it is a City-owned building under the RDC's purview
  - The lease states that the Mill must have written consent before altering the building.
  - The RDC is only responsible for the doors if they need necessary replacement.
- Corrections/clarifications on the total funding request
  - The staff has requested that the Mill provide a budget including their matching funds.
- ADA requirements in city buildings
  - All city buildings are required to abide by the minimum ADA requirements. However, the Mill is making efforts to enhance accessibility for both its members and its membership at large.

#### The Warehouse

- Staff has requested a formal quote for the flooring improvements. We will discuss and clarify the details of the application and formal request.

## Bloomington Urban Enterprise Association

## Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2024

	Dec 31, 24
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	
First Financial Bank	
FFB - Checking	-56,355.29
FFB - Money Market	2,404,019.36
Total First Financial Bank	2,347,664.07
German American Bank	221,833.79
IU Credit Union	205,250.81
Peoples State Bank	106,600.22
Total Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,881,348.89
Total Checking/Savings	2,881,348.89
Total Current Assets	2,881,348.89
Other Assets	
Notes Receivable - Long Term	
Big Brothers Big Sisters	8,556.54
Big Time Trading	10,196.04
Blooming Pets Alive	3,702.51
BTown Beauty Supply	9,234.33
Gaian Hands	5,594.91
KC Designs	7,716.02
Lash Envy	1,985.99
Michael's Uptown Cafe	3,333.16
My Fin, The Tap	8,251.89
My Sport's Locker	35,827.12
PALS	9,119.97
Red Tire Cab	11,518.92
Sew Secret	3,364.57
Spiral Bodies	7,357.19
Vanishing Aesthetics	17,275.74
Total Notes Receivable - Long Term	143,034.90
Total Other Assets	143,034.90
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>3,024,383.79</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	1,565,019.23
Unrestricted Net Assets	1,504,556.09
Net Income	-45,191.53
Total Equity	3,024,383.79
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>3,024,383.79</b>

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# Bloomington Urban Enterprise Association

## Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

### January through December 2024

	Jan - Dec 24
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
AIEZ Fees Refunded	3,426.46
Banking Interest	94,847.93
Business Zone Loan Interest	0.00
Late Fees - RRF Loans	136.94
RDC Participation Fee	6,188.01
RRF Loan Interest	1,788.89
Uncategorized Income	0.00
Zone Membership Fees	92,856.24
<b>Total Income</b>	199,244.47
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>Administrative</b>	
Accounting & Tax Services	0.00
Advertising and Promotion	0.00
Dues & Subscriptions	0.00
Insurance Expense	3,246.00
Marketing Consultant	0.00
Miscellaneous Expense	69.99
Professional Fees	
Management	47,500.00
Project Administration	0.00
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	47,500.00
<b>Total Administrative</b>	50,815.99
<b>Grants</b>	
<b>Grants-Arts and Culture</b>	
City Art Program	0.00
Historic Facade Grants	40,000.00
Zone Arts Grants	
Bloomington Creative Glass	0.00
The Overlook Community Center	0.00
Zone Arts Grants - Other	39,650.00
<b>Total Zone Arts Grants</b>	39,650.00
<b>Total Grants-Arts and Culture</b>	79,650.00
<b>Grants-Educ &amp; Entrepreneurship</b>	
Bus Econ Ehance Scholarships	0.00
DEI Training Scholarships	0.00
Dimension Mill Zone Day Passes	1,000.00
IVY Tech/SBDC/Cook Center	0.00
Unbudgeted Educ/Entrep Grants	20,545.00
<b>Total Grants-Educ &amp; Entrepreneurship</b>	21,545.00
<b>Grants-Education</b>	
Lemonade Day	2,500.00
Resident Econ Indep Scholar	3,831.00
Grants-Education - Other	50,000.00
<b>Total Grants-Education</b>	56,331.00
<b>Grants-Miscellaneous</b>	0.00

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## Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2024

	Jan - Dec 24
Zone Improvement Grants	
Business Accessibility	0.00
Business Building Improvement	35,000.00
Home Improvement	0.00
Resident Child Care Grant	0.00
Small Business Safety/Security	5,011.94
Zone Improvement Grants - Other	2,300.00
Total Zone Improvement Grants	42,311.94
Total Grants	199,837.94
Professional Bonds	0.00
RDC TIF Zone Participation Fee	0.00
Total Expense	250,653.93
Net Ordinary Income	-51,409.46
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	6,217.93
Total Other Income	6,217.93
Net Other Income	6,217.93
Net Income	-45,191.53

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## Profit &amp; Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2024

	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
AIEZ Fees Refunded	21,451.00
Banking Interest	84,000.00
Business Zone Loan Interest	1,500.00
Late Fees - RRF Loans	0.00
RDC Participation Fee	0.00
RRF Loan Interest	2,606.00
Uncategorized Income	0.00
Zone Membership Fees	429,012.00
Total Income	538,569.00
Expense	
Administrative	
Accounting & Tax Services	1,500.00
Advertising and Promotion	5,000.00
Dues & Subscriptions	0.00
Insurance Expense	3,500.00
Marketing Consultant	5,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	2,500.00
Professional Fees	
Management	47,500.00
Project Administration	12,000.00
Total Professional Fees	59,500.00
Total Administrative	77,000.00
Grants	
Grants-Arts and Culture	
City Art Program	40,000.00
Historic Facade Grants	50,000.00
Zone Arts Grants	
Bloomington Creative Glass	0.00
The Overlook Community Center	0.00
Zone Arts Grants - Other	40,000.00
Total Zone Arts Grants	40,000.00
Total Grants-Arts and Culture	130,000.00
Grants-Educ & Entrepreneurship	
Bus Econ Ehance Scholarships	10,000.00
DEI Training Scholarships	10,000.00
Dimension Mill Zone Day Passes	1,000.00
IVY Tech/SBDC/Cook Center	45,000.00
Unbudgeted Educ/Entrep Grants	16,000.00
Total Grants-Educ & Entrepreneurship	82,000.00
Grants-Education	
Lemonade Day	2,500.00
Resident Econ Indep Scholar	15,000.00
Grants-Education - Other	50,000.00
Total Grants-Education	67,500.00
Grants-Miscellaneous	20,000.00

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### Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2024

	Budget
Zone Improvement Grants	
Business Accessibility	25,000.00
Business Building Improvement	25,000.00
Home Improvement	30,000.00
Resident Child Care Grant	30,000.00
Small Business Safety/Security	25,000.00
Zone Improvement Grants - Other	
Total Zone Improvement Grants	135,000.00
Total Grants	434,500.00
Professional Bonds	3,500.00
RDC TIF Zone Participation Fee	0.00
Total Expense	515,000.00
Net Ordinary Income	23,569.00
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	0.00
Total Other Income	0.00
Net Other Income	0.00
Net Income	23,569.00

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## Profit &amp; Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2024

	\$ Over Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
AIEZ Fees Refunded	-18,024.54
Banking Interest	10,847.93
Business Zone Loan Interest	-1,500.00
Late Fees - RRF Loans	136.94
RDC Participation Fee	6,188.01
RRF Loan Interest	-817.11
Uncategorized Income	0.00
Zone Membership Fees	-336,155.76
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>-339,324.53</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>Administrative</b>	
Accounting & Tax Services	-1,500.00
Advertising and Promotion	-5,000.00
Dues & Subscriptions	0.00
Insurance Expense	-254.00
Marketing Consultant	-5,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	-2,430.01
Professional Fees	
Management	0.00
Project Administration	-12,000.00
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>-12,000.00</b>
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>-26,184.01</b>
<b>Grants</b>	
<b>Grants-Arts and Culture</b>	
City Art Program	-40,000.00
Historic Facade Grants	-10,000.00
Zone Arts Grants	
Bloomington Creative Glass	0.00
The Overlook Community Center	0.00
Zone Arts Grants - Other	-350.00
<b>Total Zone Arts Grants</b>	<b>-350.00</b>
<b>Total Grants-Arts and Culture</b>	<b>-50,350.00</b>
<b>Grants-Educ &amp; Entrepreneurship</b>	
Bus Econ Ehance Scholarships	-10,000.00
DEI Training Scholarships	-10,000.00
Dimension Mill Zone Day Passes	0.00
IVY Tech/SBDC/Cook Center	-45,000.00
Unbudgeted Educ/Entrep Grants	4,545.00
<b>Total Grants-Educ &amp; Entrepreneurship</b>	<b>-60,455.00</b>
<b>Grants-Education</b>	
Lemonade Day	0.00
Resident Econ Indep Scholar	-11,169.00
Grants-Education - Other	0.00
<b>Total Grants-Education</b>	<b>-11,169.00</b>
<b>Grants-Miscellaneous</b>	<b>-20,000.00</b>

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### Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2024

	\$ Over Budget
Zone Improvement Grants	
Business Accessibility	-25,000.00
Business Building Improvement	10,000.00
Home Improvement	-30,000.00
Resident Child Care Grant	-30,000.00
Small Business Safety/Security	-19,988.06
Zone Improvement Grants - Other	
Total Zone Improvement Grants	-92,688.06
Total Grants	-234,662.06
Professional Bonds	-3,500.00
RDC TIF Zone Participation Fee	0.00
Total Expense	-264,346.07
Net Ordinary Income	-74,978.46
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	6,217.93
Total Other Income	6,217.93
Net Other Income	6,217.93
Net Income	-68,760.53



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## Profit &amp; Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2024

	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
AIEZ Fees Refunded	16.0%
Banking Interest	112.9%
Business Zone Loan Interest	0.0%
Late Fees - RRF Loans	100.0%
RDC Participation Fee	100.0%
RRF Loan Interest	68.6%
Uncategorized Income	0.0%
Zone Membership Fees	21.6%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>37.0%</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>Administrative</b>	
Accounting & Tax Services	0.0%
Advertising and Promotion	0.0%
Dues & Subscriptions	0.0%
Insurance Expense	92.7%
Marketing Consultant	0.0%
Miscellaneous Expense	2.8%
Professional Fees	
Management	100.0%
Project Administration	0.0%
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>79.8%</b>
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>66.0%</b>
<b>Grants</b>	
<b>Grants-Arts and Culture</b>	
City Art Program	0.0%
Historic Facade Grants	80.0%
Zone Arts Grants	
Bloomington Creative Glass	0.0%
The Overlook Community Center	0.0%
Zone Arts Grants - Other	99.1%
<b>Total Zone Arts Grants</b>	<b>99.1%</b>
<b>Total Grants-Arts and Culture</b>	<b>61.3%</b>
<b>Grants-Educ &amp; Entrepreneurship</b>	
Bus Econ Enhance Scholarships	0.0%
DEI Training Scholarships	0.0%
Dimension Mill Zone Day Passes	100.0%
IVY Tech/SBDC/Cook Center	0.0%
Unbudgeted Educ/Entrep Grants	128.4%
<b>Total Grants-Educ &amp; Entrepreneurship</b>	<b>26.3%</b>
<b>Grants-Education</b>	
Lemonade Day	100.0%
Resident Econ Indep Scholar	25.5%
Grants-Education - Other	100.0%
<b>Total Grants-Education</b>	<b>83.5%</b>
<b>Grants-Miscellaneous</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

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## Profit &amp; Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2024

	% of Budget
Zone Improvement Grants	
Business Accessibility	0.0%
Business Building Improvement	140.0%
Home Improvement	0.0%
Resident Child Care Grant	0.0%
Small Business Safety/Security	20.0%
Zone Improvement Grants - Other	
Total Zone Improvement Grants	31.3%
Total Grants	46.0%
Professional Bonds	0.0%
RDC TIF Zone Participation Fee	0.0%
Total Expense	48.7%
Net Ordinary Income	-218.1%
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	100.0%
Total Other Income	100.0%
Net Other Income	100.0%
Net Income	-191.7%

## Bloomington Urban Enterprise Association

## Profit &amp; Loss

December 2024

	Dec 24
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Banking Interest	7,659.78
Late Fees - RRF Loans	2.84
RRF Loan Interest	118.26
Total Income	7,780.88
Expense	
Grants	
Grants-Arts and Culture	
Historic Facade Grants	10,000.00
Zone Arts Grants	22,150.00
Total Grants-Arts and Culture	32,150.00
Grants-Educ & Entrepreneurship	
Unbudgeted Educ/Entrep Grants	10,000.00
Total Grants-Educ & Entrepreneurship	10,000.00
Zone Improvement Grants	
Business Building Improvement	25,000.00
Zone Improvement Grants - Other	2,300.00
Total Zone Improvement Grants	27,300.00
Total Grants	69,450.00
Total Expense	69,450.00
Net Ordinary Income	-61,669.12
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	433.77
Total Other Income	433.77
Net Other Income	433.77
Net Income	-61,235.35

	2025 Budget	Projected income 2025	Past Due Catalent Participation Fees	Balance	Notes
INCOME					
Refunded AIEZ fee	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00		\$ 3,500.00	
Banking Interest Income	\$ 84,000.00	\$ 90,000.00		\$ 90,000.00	
Business Loan Interest Income	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
EZID loan program interest	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 20,000.00	
RDC Participation fees				\$ -	
EZID Income (zone membership fees)	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 427,777.48	\$ 443,965.58	\$ 871,743.06	Catalent's past due RP fees: 21p22 - \$58,245.95; 22p23 - \$40,714.28; 23p24 - \$59,462.69 /Catalent's past due PP fees: 23p24 - \$285,542.66
RRF Loan Interest	\$ 1,280.00	\$ -		\$ -	
Late Fees - RRF Loans	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Late Fees - Zone Loans	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Uncategorized Income	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Total	\$ 458,780.00	\$ 541,277.48	\$ 443,965.58	\$ 985,243.06	

EXPENSE					
ADMINISTRATIVE	\$ 96,000.00				
Grants - Education:	\$ 67,500.00				
Grants- Education and Entrepreneurship:	\$ 76,000.00				
Grants - Arts and Culture:	\$ 260,000.00				
Grants - Zone Improvement	\$ 135,000.00				
Total	\$ 634,500.00			\$ 634,500.00	

Projected Net Income	\$ 350,743.06
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**Foster, Tobias (1642)**

**Program Name : buea-building**

**Status: Under Review**

**Submit Time: 2025/03/13 at 2:30 PM EDT**

**BUEA Major Building Improvement Grant Program Overview**

I have read and understand the grant overview.

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Project Location - Please verify the project location is in the Bloomington Urban Enterprise Zone.**

222 W 2nd ST

Bloomington, IN 47403

Answered on : 2025-03-12

Meets eligibility

**Organization Name**

Friendly Beasts Cider LLC

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Which type of project are you applying for? Business Safety and Security Grant, Business Building Improvement Grant, Accessibility Modification Grant**

Business Building Improvement Grant

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**How did you hear about this program?**

BUEA Website

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Applicant Name**

Tobias Foster

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Job Title or Role**

Manager

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Email**

tobyjfoster@gmail.com

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Phone Number**

+1 708-710-8146

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Additional Contacts**

Jacob Schumacher

Ryan Woods

Fatima Carson

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Additional Contacts - \$this's Email Address**

jacob.t.schumacher@gmail.com

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Additional Contacts - \$this's Email Address**

ryanwoods77@hotmail.com

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Additional Contacts - \$this's Email Address**

fatima@friendlybeastscider.com

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**What type best describes your organization? (restaurant, retail, school, etc.)**

Cidery & Taproom

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Organization Tax Classification Sole Proprietor, LLC, S-Corp, C-Corp, Partnership, Co-Op, Non-Profit, LLP**

LLC

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Years in Operation**

7

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Organization Mailing Address**

707 S Anita St

Bloomington, IN 47401

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**How many employees does your organization have?**

6

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Organization Website**

friendlybeastscider.com

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Please describe your organization in a few sentences. What are your origins, purpose, mission, and/or goals?**

Friendly Beasts Cider formed from a passion for crisp tasting cider. Our ciders are always fermented and blended right here in Bloomington, and all of our juice is pressed in Indiana from Indiana apples grown on a family orchard. Our family friendly taproom and patio, located right on the B Line trail, is also intended to be a warm and welcoming gathering space for the community.

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Have you previously received a BUEA Improvement Grant?**

No

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Is your facility located within a historic district?**

No

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Does your organization own or lease your facility?**

Lease

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Property Owner Name**

Roric Fischer (agent)

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Property Owner Email Address**

roric@pmimeridian.com

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**When does your current lease period end?**

07/01/2026

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Do you intend to renew your lease?**

Yes

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Please check the box to confirm that you are in communication with your facility's owner about this grant program.**

Confirm

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Total Funding Request (Suggested max \$10,000 - Funding requests over 10k may require in-person board review.)**

2557.77

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Basic Project Details - Please give a description of your improvement project**

The patio and main entrance of the building is right on the B-Line trail, and needs major updates. It has not had the attention it deserves for several years and we intend to clean and paint the facade and renovate the patio with custom furniture and planters to achieve the goal of beautification of the building and grounds and economic sustainability for the business.

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Project Start Date**

04/01/2025

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Project End Date**

07/31/2025

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Does this project require a Certificate of Appropriateness due to historic designation or documentation that the Historic Preservation Program Manager has confirmed that you do not need a COA (such as a copy of an email)?**

No

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Please upload photos of the project prior to improvements or "before" pictures.**

[Friendly Beasts Exterior 3.jpg](#)

[Friendly Beasts Exterior 2.jpg](#)

[Friendly Beasts exterior 1.jpg](#)

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**Please upload quotes, invoices or receipts for the improvements.**

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**Are you applying for any other grants or sources of funding for your project, from the City of Bloomington or otherwise? Please describe the sources, amounts, and funding status.**

We also intend to apply for a BAC Arts Project Grant, although that money would primarily be used for

other projects.

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**If you are applying for the Business Building Improvement Grant, can you match up to 50% of your total funding request?**

Yes

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**How would participating in this program help address the needs of your organization and facility(ies)?**

Friendly Beasts is a small business that has always strived to spend within our means while maintaining a space that is vibrant and welcoming to the community. This program would help us to greatly improve our appearance and patio in a way that we would not otherwise be able to afford and that will benefit the community as a whole.

Answered on : 2025-03-12

**Standard Signature**

Yes

Answered on : 2025-03-13

## **Hidden Questions :**

**Address must be located inside the Bloomington Urban Enterprise Zone (BUEZ).**

N/A

**If you have received BUEA Improvement grants within the past 12 months, tell us which grant(s) have you received and the awarded amount(s).**

N/A

**Please upload your Certificate of Appropriateness (COA), or documentation (such as a copy of an email) that the Historic Preservation Manager confirmed that you do not need a COA.**

N/A

**If you are applying for the Safety & Security or Accessibility Grant, can you match up to 25% of your total funding request?**

N/A



Painting facade - materials and labor (estimated)	\$ 800.00
Power washing building and patio (estimated)	\$ 350.00
Materials for custom bench, planters, and tables for patio (including 20% allotment for overrun)	\$ 692.16
Labor for custom bench, planters, and tables for patio (40 hours x \$20/hour)	\$ 800.00
Plants and soil (estimated)	\$ 100.00
Eight metal stools for patio	\$ 296.98
Two wooden picnic tables (with shipping)	\$ 906.39
Three patio umbrellas	\$ 585.00
Three patio umbrella under-table bases	\$ 285.00
Moving unused air conditioner unit (labor)	\$ 300.00
Project Total	\$ 5,115.53
Friendly Beasts Contributes	\$ 2557.76
<b>Funding Request</b>	<b>\$ 2557.77</b>















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H-8158BLU	Umbrella - 9', Blue	\$ 195.00 / EA	3	= \$ 585.00
H-6102	Deluxe A-Frame Wooden Picnic Table - 6'	\$ 379.00 / EA	2	= \$ 758.00
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