

To Whom It May Concern:

As a small business owner I am used to being overlooked, but when every small business owner in Oregon is at risk of failing, then we become a block that employs too many, we are, as the new term goes, we are "too small to fail." In aggregate we employ too many. Small businesses need grants ideally to help recoup revenue losses. We want to be able to reopen (as a restaurant) we are closed now), to get our employees back to work, but we can't if we have no money to do it. This is not a dramatization. This is fact. Investor money won't be there at the other side of this, loans will be risky with a questionable economy. The best way to get people back to work when this crisis passes is helping small business survive to reopen. Oregon has always been proud of its sense of independence, Oregon's independent small business need help.

Thank You  
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