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Ohio Chamber Awards Emergency Relief Fund Grants to Logan County Small Businesses Impacted by Recent Tornadoes

Footage from today's event can be **found here** and used alongside the below release.

COLUMBUS, OHIO – The Ohio Chamber of Commerce, Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce and Logan County Chamber of Commerce today held a check presentation event to award the first round of Tornado Relief Emergency Fund Small Business Grant recipients.

This grant is intended to provide relief to small businesses in Logan County that were adversely impacted by the tornadoes and severe weather that took place on Thursday, March 14, 2024. Funds were raised through the Ohio Chamber of Commerce Research Foundation and distributed by the Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce.

There is no requirement of membership to any of the three chambers in order to apply.

"We aim to support the entire business community and ensure its success," said Ohio Chamber President & CEO Steve Stivers. "Our goal is to help all small businesses that were impacted by the storms in March, regardless of whether they're chamber members or not."

This grant serves as a bridge to help businesses in the immediate aftermath of the tornado, before other funding resources become available. It can be used for any out-of-pocket expenses needed to resume business operations.

"We are honored to be selected as a grant recipient on behalf of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce and county partners," said Brenda Moots, Founder & Owner of Indian Lake Outfitters and The Depot. "As a brick-and-mortar store that was closed and literally in the

dark for a full 21 days, this grant will be extremely helpful in getting The Depot and Indian Lake Outfitters re-open for business."

Sixteen small businesses located in the Indian Lake area were awarded grant funds in this first wave. A second wave is expected in the coming months.

Recipients:

- 1. Lakeview Padrone's Pizza Padrone's Pizza opened in June of 2005 in downtown Lakeview. For 19 years, they have been a local favorite for pickup and delivery of pizza across the Indian Lake region.
- 2. Yellow Violet Salon & Spa Yellow Violet Salan & Spa opened in 2018 and is a popular nail and beauty services salon in Russells Point.
- 3. Indian Head Roadhouse Established in 2008, this lakefront restaurant is a top destination for locals and tourists alike for a casual lunch, dinner or drinks.
- 4. Indian Lake Outfitters This 14-year-old business in downtown Lakeview provides an outdoor skills and service shop for firearms and archery. The building is also home to "The Depot," which serves as a destination retail and gift shop for the Lake area.
- 5. Oasis Drive Thru Lake residents and tourists alike enjoy this downtown Lakeview drive-thru retail and liquor store for their grab-and-go needs.
- 6. Downtown Discount Grocery Located in downtown Lakeview, this third-generation grocery store has been providing essential access to quality foods for the Lakeview community for 24 years.
- 7. Stanley's Asphalt Paving & Sealcoating For over 20 years, Stanley's has been serving the Logan County and surrounding community with commercial and residential paving, sealcoating and line striping.
- 8. Robin Beelman, LMT Robin operates a licensed massage therapy practice through Luxe beauty salon in downtown Lakeview. Robin has been serving clients around the community for over 20 years.
- 9. Frontier Cottages Located between Lakeview and Russells Point along SR366, Frontier Cottages has been providing short-term accommodations to guests visiting the Indian Lake area for 17 years.
- 10. & 11. All Around Accounting and Indian Lake Printing & Advertising co-located businesses in downtown Lakeview with common ownership, All Around Accounting has been providing accounting and payroll services to the community since 2008, while Indian Lake Printing has provided commercial design and printing services to the area since 1966.
- 12. CJ's Lakeside Tavern CJ's Lakeside Tavern is a local establishment serving the Lakeview community in Logan County for over 14 years. For many residents, CJ's is a safe hometown spot that provides entertainment and community.
- 13. Wischmeyer Farms As part of the essential agriculture industry in Logan County, this independent grain farm has been operating for 38 years just east of Indian Meadows along SR366 in the Indian Lake area.

- 14. Golf Cart World Established in 2015 in Russells Point, Golf Cart World is a community partner that provides golf cart sales and service to Indian Lake and the surrounding area.
- 15. IvyGate Flower Farm IvyGate is a boutique flower farm that grows and sells environmentally friendly flowers and other natural materials for design purposes used in weddings, events and special occasions. The business was started in 2022 in Lakeview and has steadily grown since.
- 16. ReCanvas Opened in 2021, ReCanvas is an Indian Lake business that provides boat, golf cart and pontoon upholstery and canvas repairs.

If you are interested in donating to the Ohio Chamber's small business grant effort, <u>CLICK HERE</u>. If you are interested in applying for a grant, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

For questions on the grant application process, call or email Amber Fagan (937-539-6348 or office@indianlakechamber.org) at the Indian Lake Chamber or Ben Vollrath at the Logan County Chamber (937-578-3563 or bvollrath@logancountyohio.com).

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