



Information About Grants

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1. **Most small businesses** are unlikely to obtain a grant. The exception could be a non-profit. Other exceptions are listed below.
 - a. To learn more: sba.gov/funding-programs/grants
2. **Agriculture:** For agriculture, there is the opportunity for research or a Value-Added Producer Grant ("USDA-VAPG").
 - a. rd.usda.gov/programs-services/value-added-producer-grants
3. **Exporting:** "The goals of STEP [State Trade Expansion Program] are to increase the number of small businesses that export, increase the value of exports and increase the number of small businesses exploring significant new trade opportunities."
 - a. commerce.idaho.gov/idaho-business/international-trade/step-grant
4. **People with Disabilities:** "Vocational Rehabilitation ("VR") is a state-federal program whose goal is to assist people with disabilities prepare for, secure, retain or regain employment." Typically, VR provides training or equipment.
 - a. For more information: vr.idaho.gov
 - i. For our Region: vr.idaho.gov/r2
5. **Technology:** Typically includes research and development or testing.
 - a. Small Business Innovation Research: sbir.gov
 - b. idahosbdc.org/specialized-services/technology/
 - c. Idaho Global Entrepreneurial Mission: "The IGEM grant program funds commercialization studies where university researchers and business experts partner together to bring viable technologies to market." The universities include Boise State, Idaho State, and the University of Idaho.
 - i. commerce.idaho.gov/idaho-business/idaho-global-entrepreneurial-mission-igem/

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