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REGIONAL CHAMBER TO AWARD \$30,000 IN GRANTS TO TRI-CITIES SMALL BUSINESSES

KENNEWICK, Wash., – The Tri-City Regional Chamber of Commerce and Washington River Protection Solutions (WRPS) have once again partnered to offer grants to local small businesses through the “Small Business Incentive Program.”

The program is designed to strengthen and support small businesses in the Tri-Cities. Winners will be awarded up to \$2,000 each for various items to enhance their company and grow their business in the community.

The Small Business Incentive Program was launched in 2011. Since its inception, the program has presented 268 grants to small businesses, totaling \$210,000. Previous grants have helped businesses purchase software, website design, professional training, new signage, computers and much more.

Following is the eligibility criteria for the Small Business Incentive Program:

- The company must be an established small business and a member of the Tri-City Regional Chamber. Non-members that have been in business at least 18 months may still qualify for the program upon joining the Regional Chamber prior to the application deadline.
- The company must be organized as a for-profit business and demonstrate potential for success.
- All applicants must complete the entire application and sufficiently demonstrate how the item will strengthen their business.

- Applicant businesses must have 30 or fewer full-time equivalent employees and annual revenue less than \$3,000,000.

New this year, members can apply for a Small Business Incentive Program grant through an online application at www.tricityregionalchamber.com. Printed applications will also be accepted; they can be turned into the Regional Chamber office at 7130 W. Grandridge Blvd., Suite C in Kennewick. Applications must be in by 5 p.m. on Friday, July 27, 2018 in order to be considered.

For questions about the program, please contact the Regional Chamber at 509.736.0510 or info@tricityregionalchamber.com.

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