



City of Bowie

Memorandum

Thursday, February 16, 2023
Alfred D. Lott, ICMA-CM, CPM,
City Manager

STATUS REPORT

1. BGE Small Business Grant Taking Applications Now!

What would a \$20,000 grant mean for your small business? That's what BGE wants to learn from anyone applying to the [BGE Energizing Small Business](#) grant program, now accepting applications until March 24, 2023, at 6 p.m. ET.

This grant program is part of BGE's comprehensive Customer Relief and Energy Infrastructure Investment Plan, designed to help the state's businesses succeed and thrive. It is presented in partnership with the Global Entrepreneurship Network. Applicants must be a for-profit business and an existing BGE electric and/or gas customer with a positive BGE credit history. BGE values diversity, equity and inclusion so preference will be given to minority-owned and woman-owned businesses. Other eligibility criteria include:

- For-profit business founded in 2021 or prior
- In good standing (or on the way to) with the State of Maryland
- A maximum of twenty-five (25) employees
- Annual gross revenues in 2022 of less than \$7 million USD
- Demonstrated need for funding to support business and serve customers

If you applied and were not selected for a previous round of the program, you are welcome to submit a new application. BGE will evaluate your application based on any new information and judge it against a new pool of applicants! **The deadline for this round is March 24, 2023, at 6 p.m. ET.**

Apply through this Hello Alice portal: <https://app.helloalice.com/grants/bge-energizing-small-business-grants-2023-round-1>