

**Application for Small Business Improvement Fund Grant
City of Chicago**

1) **Business** (if applicable): TIF District: _____ WARD: _____

(Name of Business) (# of Employees)

(Property / Project Address) (Zip Code)

2) **Applicant** (property owner or business owner):

(Name: First, Middle, Last) (Email address)

(Home Address) (Zip Code)

(Work Phone) (Cell / Home phone) (Fax)

3) Project Description:

Please include a detailed itemization of work to be done and ESTIMATED COST. This should be a realistic list of the work you intend to complete as a part of your SBIF project. ** (use additional sheets if necessary)

ALL work is subject to City design guidelines and must be completed in order to receive funding.
**Any work started prior to receiving a letter of Conditional Commitment from the City of Chicago will be considered an ineligible project and disqualified from the SBIF Program.

4) City Assistance:

Have you received in the last 3 years, are you currently receiving, or are you under consideration for any City assistance for the property address or organization listed on this application?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, list the programs, addresses and amounts below:

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5) **Applicant Type** (check one of the following):

- Commercial** Tenant (Please skip to section **A**)
- Commercial** Business AND Property Owner (Please skip to section **B**)
- Industrial** Tenant (Please skip to section **C**)
- Industrial** Business AND Property Owner (Please skip to section **D**)
- Landlord** (Please skip to section **E**)

SECTION A – Commercial Tenant

Please assemble copies of the following documents and submit them to SomerCor 504, Inc.

- If business is a new business:
 - A business plan
 - Three year projection of income and expenses
 - If the business is existing
 - Last three years tax returns for the business
 - A lease agreement showing right to occupy the space to be improved (*3 year minimum term*)
 - Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit (please use enclosed form)
 - Valid and Current City Business License
 - Letter of support for project from Alderman
 - Owner Affidavit approving specific improvements to the property (please use enclosed form)
- Proceed to Item # 6.*

SECTION B – Commercial Business AND Property Owner

Please assemble copies of the following documents and submit them to SomerCor 504, Inc.

- If business is a new business:
 - A business plan
 - Three year projection of income and expenses
- If the business is existing
 - Last three years tax returns for the business
- Proof of property ownership (ex. deed or title insurance)
- Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit (please use enclosed form)
- Valid and Current City Business License

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SECTION B – Cont.

- Letter of support for project from Alderman
- Personal Financial Statement (please use enclosed form)

Proceed to Item # 6.

SECTION C – Industrial Tenant

Please assemble copies of the following documents and submit them to SomerCor 504, Inc.

- Attach records showing current number of full time and part time or full time equivalent employees. (Please use enclosed form)
- A lease agreement showing right to occupy the space to be improved (*3 year minimum term*)
- Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit (please use enclosed form)
- Valid and Current Business License
- Letter of support for project from Alderman
- Owner Affidavit approving specific improvements to the property (please use enclosed form)

Proceed to Item # 6.

SECTION D – Industrial Business and Property Owner

Please assemble copies of the following documents and submit them to SomerCor 504, Inc.

- Attach records showing current number of full time and part time or full time equivalent employees. (Please use enclosed form)
- Proof of property ownership (ex. deed or title insurance)
- Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit (please use enclosed form)
- Valid and Current Business License
- Letter of support for project from Alderman

Proceed to Item # 6.

SECTION E – Landlord

Please assemble copies of the following documents and submit them to SomerCor 504, Inc.

- Proof of property ownership (ex. deed or title insurance)
- Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit (please use enclosed form)
- Letter of support for project from Alderman

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SECTION E – Cont.

- Personal Financial Statement (please use enclosed form)
- Are there any commercial tenants? * **Yes** _____ **No** _____
If yes, list the tenants here:

**Property must be at least 60% leased by square footage before reimbursement can be made. All street-level storefronts must be leased in order to receive reimbursement. Proceed to Item # 6.*

6) Additional Information: (All Applicants)

- The following information must be completed by any owner, partner or member who has an ownership interest in the property or business. This information will be used to ensure that all applicants do not have any unpaid parking tickets or other indebtedness to the City. The affidavit of child support compliance will be used to ensure that all applicants are current on applicable child support payments.**

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Driver's License Number: _____

License Plate Number(s): _____

Date of Birth: _____

- Affidavit of Child Support Compliance (Please use enclosed form)
- Business or building Square Footage _____
- Do you have access to ready capital to proceed with your proposed project?
Yes _____ **No** _____
If **No**, how do you plan to obtain financing for your project?

Applicant certifies that the information provided on this application is true and correct, and that he/she has read and understands the SBIF Program Rules.

Signature Date

Printed name Title

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Please note: Funds for the SBIF Program are limited. If SBIF grant applications exceed available funds, applicants will be selected by lottery.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call John Paulun at (312) 360-3305 or Derek Walvoord at (312) 360-3319 at SomerCor 504, Inc. Applications must be submitted to:

*SomerCor 504, Inc.
2 East 8th Street, Suite 2M
Chicago, IL 60605*

For statistical purposes only, the primary applicant is requested to supply the following data regarding themselves and their businesses. THIS IS VOLUNTARY ONLY AND NOT REQUIRED. ANSWERS WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON THE CONSIDERATION OF YOUR APPLICATION.

Male ____
Female ____

African American ____
Asian ____
Caucasian ____
Hispanic ____
Middle Eastern ____
Native American ____
Other: _____

Age of business: ____ years
Family owned? Yes ____ No ____
Business acquired by:
start-up ____
purchase ____
merger ____

Small Business Improvement Fund
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT & AFFIDAVIT

Please print or type all your responses accurately providing all information current as of the attestation date. Please note that SomerCor 504, Inc. is available to help you complete this form.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Applicant's name and address: _____

B. Applicant's telephone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

C. Contact Person: _____

D. Brief project description: _____

E. Project address and tax index number: _____

F. Name and address of individual or entity with legal title to the property on which the project is located: _____

II. APPLICANT'S LEGAL STATUS AND OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

A. I, _____, the undersigned, hereby affirm, attest, and represent that I am applying as an individual, or that I am the _____ of the applicant. The applicant is a(n) (circle one): (1) individual; (2) business corporation; (3) not-for-profit corporation; (4) a limited liability company; (5) general partnership; (6) limited partnership; (7) joint venture; (8) sole proprietorship; or (9) OTHER (please specify)

I further affirm, attest, and represent that all information provided to the City of Chicago (the "city") to induce the City to make a Small Business Improvement Fund ("SBIF") Loan (the "Loan") is current and accurate as of the date hereof. I have authority to enter into contracts on behalf of the applicant.

B. Other entity (ies) or individual(s) with ownership interests in the applicant (Interested Party) is (are) as follows:

Name:	Form and percentage of ownership: (i.e. 50%partner, shareholder, member, etc.)
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Applicant: _____

III. CERTIFICATION – NO DEBTS OWED TO THE CITY

A. All charges and payments due and payable to the City by the applicant as of the date hereof, including all water charges, property taxes, and sales taxes concerning the property have been paid. Yes ___ No ___ If not, amount owed: \$ _____ for _____
The full amount will be paid by: _____.

B. Is the applicant or any interested party in default or in arrears on any outstanding commercial loans, water charges, property taxes, sewer charges, taxes, sales taxes owed to the City either on its own behalf or by any partnership, corporation, joint venture or land trust in which the applicant or any interested party has at least a five percent interest? ___ If yes, please indicate the amount that is owed and the origin of the debt (i.e. \$300 for property taxes):

Who is responsible for the debt? _____
The debt will be paid in full by the following date: _____

C. Does the applicant, or any interested party, if any, have any outstanding parking violation complaints? ___ If yes, please explain and indicate when it will be settled:

IV. CERTIFICATION – OTHER LEGAL MATTERS

A. Is the undersigned, or any interested party presently debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or either voluntary or involuntary excluded from any transaction by any federal, state or local unit of government? ___ If yes, please explain: _____

B. Has the applicant or any interested party: (1) been convicted of a felony; (2) been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against the applicant or interested party, in connection with the performance of any public contract or transaction (federal, state, or local) within the last three years; or (3) been convicted, indicted or charged with violation of any federal, state, or local statute for any acts of fraud, embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements or receiving stolen property? ___ If yes, please identify the charge and explain the outcome of the case:

C. Has the applicant or any interested party been terminated from any City contract for cause or default within the last three years? ___ If yes, please explain _____

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Applicant: _____

D. Has the undersigned, or any person or entity employed by, or otherwise under the control of the undersigned bribed, attempted to bribe or been convicted of bribery or of attempting to bribe, a public officer or employee of the city, the State of Illinois, the federal government or of any other state or government entity? _____ If yes, please explain: _____

E. Is the applicant in violation of any local, state, or federal law including any environmental laws? _____ If yes, please explain: _____

F. If the applicant is an individual, has the applicant or any interested party been declared in arrears with any child support obligation pursuant to a child support court order? _____ If yes, name the party: _____. Is a court-approved agreement for payment of child support owed in place? Yes _____ No _____ Is the court-approved agreement being complied with? Yes _____ No _____

G. _____ The undersigned and every interested party certifies by check mark that it shall comply with the applicable requirements of Chapter 2-156 of the Municipal Code, and that there are no improper employment, business, or other relationships as described in Executive Order 97-1.

V. WAIVER

_____ The undersigned understands that all the information contained in this Affidavit and on any attachments may be made public on the internet, in response to a Freedom of Information Act request or otherwise, and it waives and releases any possible claims it may have against the City in connection with such public release of the information contained herein.

Print or type the legal name of the applicant

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20____, at Cook County Illinois.

My commission expires on: _____

SEAL

Notary Public

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF COOK)

AFFIDAVIT OF CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE

I, _____, being duly sworn on oath, state that the following statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. My full legal name is: _____.
2. My home address is: _____.
3. My home phone number is: _____; my work phone number is _____.
4. My driver's license number is: _____.
5. My social security number is: _____, My date of birth is: _____.
6. If I have any child support obligations, I affirm that I am in compliance with such obligations and that my court case number is: _____.
7. I agree to comply in the future with any court order to pay child support.
8. I agree to comply with any present, or future, order to withhold child support payments from an employee's salary, if I or my company are named as a payor for withholding child support.
9. I agree to enroll children in a health insurance plan, if I or my company are now, or in the future, named as a payor for enrolling a child in a health insurance plan.
10. I agree to have the information provided in this affidavit audited by the Department of Consumer Services for the purposes of assuring that any child support obligation I may have now or in the future is met.
11. I understand that I may be prosecuted by the Department of Consumer Services if any of the above statements are found to be false, either wholly or partially.
12. I further understand that in addition to being prosecuted by the City for false or misleading statements on this affidavit, that any misrepresentation made in this affidavit may result in a three-year period of ineligibility with the City.
13. I understand that all city employees must comply with all court-ordered child support obligations as a condition of city employment. Noncompliance shall be grounds for disciplinary action.

Under penalties as provided by law, including but not limited to Chapter 1-21 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago set forth below, I certify that the above statements are true and correct.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
_____ day of _____, 20____

_____, Notary Public

PERSONAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

As of _____, _____

Complete this form for: (1) each proprietor, or (2) each limited partner who owns 20% or more interest and each general partner, or (3) each stockholder owning 20% or more of voting stock, or (4) any person or entity providing a guaranty on the loan.

Name	Business Phone
Residence Address	Residence Phone
City, State, & Zip Code	
Business Name of Applicant/Borrower	

ASSETS	(Omit Cents)	LIABILITIES	(Omit Cents)
Cash on hand & in Banks	\$ _____	Accounts Payable	\$ _____
Savings Accounts	\$ _____	Notes Payable to Banks and Others	\$ _____
IRA or Other Retirement Account	\$ _____	(Describe in Section 2)	
Accounts & Notes Receivable	\$ _____	Installment Account (Auto)	\$ _____
Life Insurance-Cash Surrender Value Only	\$ _____	Mo. Payments \$ _____	
(Complete Section 8)		Installment Account (Other)	\$ _____
Stocks and Bonds	\$ _____	Mo. Payments \$ _____	
(Describe in Section 3)		Loan on Life Insurance	\$ _____
Real Estate	\$ _____	Mortgages on Real Estate	\$ _____
(Describe in Section 4)		(Describe in Section 4)	
Automobile-Present Value	\$ _____	Unpaid Taxes	\$ _____
Other Personal Property	\$ _____	(Describe in Section 6)	
(Describe in Section 5)		Other Liabilities	\$ _____
Other Assets	\$ _____	(Describe in Section 7)	
(Describe in Section 5)		Total Liabilities	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____	Net Worth	\$ _____
		Total	\$ _____

Section 1. Source of Income	Contingent Liabilities
Salary	As Endorser or Co-Maker
Net Investment Income	Legal Claims & Judgments
Real Estate Income	Provision for Federal Income Tax
Other Income (Describe below)*	Other Special Debt

Description of Other Income in Section 1.

*Alimony or child support payments need not be disclosed in "Other Income" unless it is desired to have such payments counted toward total income.

Section 2. (Use attachments if necessary. Each attachment must be identified as a part of this statement and signed.)

Name and Address of Noteholder(s)	Original Balance	Current Balance	Payment Amount	Frequency (monthly, etc.)	How Secured or Endorsed Type of Collateral

Section 3. Stocks and Bonds. (Use attachments if necessary. Each attachment must be identified as a part of this statement and signed).

Number of Shares	Name of Securities	Cost	Market Value Quotation/Exchange	Date of Quotation/Exchange	Total Value

Section 4. Real Estate Owned. (List each parcel separately. Use attachment if necessary. Each attachment must be identified as a part of this statement and signed.)

	Property A	Property B	Property C
Type of Property			
Address			
Date Purchased			
Original Cost			
Present Market Value			
Name & Address of Mortgage Holder			
Mortgage Account Number			
Mortgage Balance			
Amount of Payment per Month/Year			
Status of Mortgage			

Section 5. Other Personal Property and Other Assets. (Describe, and if any is pledged as security, state name and address of lien holder, amount of lien, terms of payment and if delinquent, describe delinquency)

Section 6. Unpaid Taxes. (Describe in detail, as to type, to whom payable, when due, amount, and to what property, if any, a tax lien attaches.)

Section 7. Other Liabilities. (Describe in detail.)

Section 8. Life Insurance Held. (Give face amount and cash surrender value of policies - name of insurance company and beneficiaries)

I authorize SBA/Lender to make inquiries as necessary to verify the accuracy of the statements made and to determine my creditworthiness. I certify the above and the statements contained in the attachments are true and accurate as of the stated date(s). These statements are made for the purpose of either obtaining a loan or guaranteeing a loan. I understand FALSE statements may result in forfeiture of benefits and possible prosecution by the U.S. Attorney General (Reference 18 U.S.C. 1001).

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Social Security Number: _____

PLEASE NOTE: