

GAIA Business Start-Up Program

Purpose: The purpose of this program is to provide assistance to new businesses or businesses relocating to the Garrison area. This program is a unique approach to customizing GAIA assistance to business needs.

Eligible Businesses: Any new and/or relocating business in the Garrison trade area where the applicant can provide supporting data to indicate that the establishment of their business will be beneficial to the community of Garrison. Businesses in direct competition with an existing Garrison business are not eligible.

Available Assistance: new and/or relocating businesses may receive assistance through one or more of the following GAIA programs:

- Rent assistance
- Relocation assistance
- Business Improvement Grant
- Marketing Grant
- Low interest loan
- Flex Pace Buydown sponsorship

Application: To receive consideration for the Business Start-Up Program, businesses must provide a detailed business plan that includes projected costs and earnings. Other information may be requested on a case-by-case basis.

Program Approval: All approvals are subject to funds being available for this program. Businesses will be individually reviewed for eligibility by the GAIA Board of Directors before approval. Assistance may be approved through one or multiple GAIA programs (see Available Assistance) as determined by the GAIA Board of Directors.