

These 10 St. Clair County businesses won growth grants for 2026

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Ten St. Clair County businesses have received grants to support their growth and development.

The Eastern Michigan Small Business Network awarded the grants as part of its second round of funding, according to an announcement.

More than 400 small businesses in the six-county region applied for the 2026 grant funding, including 185 in St. Clair County.

The recipients for this year's funding in St. Clair County are:

- Alexander's Premier Banquet Facility and Catering, Marysville, \$7,000
- BMJ Engineers & Surveyors Inc., Port Huron, \$4,999
- Blue Water Controls, Clyde Township, \$3,575
- Huron Title Company, Port Huron, \$8,402
- M3 Industrial Contracting LLC, Ira Township, \$7,000
- Maria's Bar, CJ's, Port Huron Township, \$4,999
- Murphy Inn, St. Clair, \$8,328
- Raven Café, Port Huron, \$7,857
- Sunsation Products Inc., Cottrellville Township, \$7,000
- Viking Fitness Center, Marysville, \$5,000

The Economic Development Alliance of St. Clair County is administering the grant program, working with Region 6 partners and the Michigan Small Business Development Center.

"This year's grant continues the progress of the Eastern Michigan Small Business Network toward creating the next generation of businesses in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, Shiawassee, St. Clair and Tuscola counties," Dan Casey, CEO of the Economic Development Alliance, said in the announcement. "The results since the inception of this program in 2024 have been overwhelming and positive."

Who is eligible for grants?

Companies that meet the Small Business Administration's definition of a small business are eligible, except for nonprofits. Eligible expenses include new equipment or furnishings, inventory, software purchases or upgrades, specialized consulting services and training.

"EDA created this program to generate regional impact by supporting companies that are still recovering from COVID-19 and poised to grow," Casey said in the announcement.

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