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2020 STOCKTON ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM Notice of Funding Opportunity Available

STOCKTON, Calif. – For the fifth consecutive year, the City of Stockton has set aside funds for the Stockton Entrepreneurship Grant. The City of Stockton will grant up to \$200,000 to local entrepreneurs and organizations that serve as business service providers to entrepreneurs in Stockton. This year will be the first year the grant is available to entrepreneurs within the Stockton city limits. Applications, guidelines and requirements are available at www.stocktonca.gov/edd. Completed applications must be submitted by March 20, 2020, at 4:00 p.m.

The City has allocated \$160,000 of the available funds towards organizations that serve as business service providers by providing assistance to entrepreneurs, start-up companies, and existing businesses. These providers can assist with consulting, training, innovation, provide co-working office space, preparation assistance of business documents, financial assistance, budgeting, workshops, marketing, etc., to create economic opportunities for the business community.

This is the first year that the City has allocated \$40,000 for entrepreneurs that provide goods and services to the Stockton community – up to \$5,000

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per entrepreneur. Applicants must demonstrate innovative business ideas and must reside and conduct business within the city limits of Stockton.

For an application or more information about this program, please call the Economic Development Department at 209-937-8539 or email

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