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Re: FOIA Request - SBA-2020-000901

Dear Mr. Martin,

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) request No. SBA-2020-000901 in which you have requested the following records:

Access to and copies of Records of:

1. The number of applications for Economic Injury Disaster Loans received by the SBA San Antonio Office from businesses located in Austin and Travis County, Texas, since March 20, 2020, when the SBA approved a disaster declaration for all Texas counties.
2. The number of such applications rejected since March 20, 2020.
3. The number of such applications approved since March 20, 2020.
4. The total dollar amount of such loans granted since March 20, 2020.

The Small Business Administration (“Agency”) is providing statistical information on the Paycheck Protection Program (“PPP”) loans and Economic Injury Disaster Loans (“EIDL”) in an effort to keep the public informed of the assistance and actions both it and the thousands of lenders across the country are taking at this difficult time. At this time, the Agency is focusing its efforts on assisting small businesses during this unprecedented disruption to the economy due to the coronavirus (“COVID-19”) outbreak. The Agency recognizes the need to balance the interests of transparency with the privacy and confidentiality issues release of loan information raises. In the near future, we will be able to turn our efforts to providing loan specific data to the public, but hope that all understand the need for the Agency to focus its efforts fulfilling the needs of the small businesses. This information will be added to the SBA.gov website as it becomes available.

The statistical information can be found at: <https://www.sba.gov/about-sba/open-government/foia#section-header-32>

If you are dissatisfied with the Agency's decision, you may file an administrative appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter to:

Office of Hearings and Appeals  
Attention: Delorice Ford, FOIA Officer  
409 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, SW – 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through our FOIA Public Liaison in the Office of Hearings and Appeals, the Office of Government Information Services (“OGIS”), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman’s office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. The contact information for OGIS is:

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Sincerely,

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