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# RISE-WA

Rural Investment  
for Small-business  
Empowerment  
in WA State

## WHAT IS RISE-WA?

RISE-WA is a project funded by a Small Business Innovation Fund grant from the Washington State Department of Commerce. The goal of the project is to bring technical solution providers and technology entrepreneurs together with rural Small, Women, and Black, Indigenous, People of Color-owned businesses (S/W/BIPOC) in Washington State to utilize innovation and technology of the urban tech sector to improve pandemic resilience and business recovery. This grant is being administered by the Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER).

## WHY APPLY?

- ✓ **DIRECT FINANCIAL SUPPORT**  
Receive up to \$20,000 in technical assistance and up to \$10,000 for time spent in the accelerator.
- ✓ **INDUSTRY & SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE**  
Take part in an 8-week accelerator, learn from experts through workshops and one-on-one mentorship.
- ✓ **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**  
Work with innovative technology and technical assistance providers on a pilot project to address your challenges.

## LEARN MORE & APPLY!

[WWW.PNWER.ORG/RISE-WA](http://WWW.PNWER.ORG/RISE-WA)

FOR MORE INFO!

## WHO SHOULD APPLY?



### WOMEN & BIPOC

Women and Black, Indigenous, People of Color-owned businesses in WA



### SMALL BUSINESS

Businesses with 50 or fewer employees or less than \$7m in gross revenue.



### RURAL

Businesses based in rural Washington counties—see *website* for full list of counties



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