

## **Momentum Program 2025 – Eligibility Questionnaire**

Please complete the following questions to determine your eligibility for business assistance through Momentum consultants.

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## **Required Eligibility**

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- ➤ If you answered **Yes** to all of the questions above, please complete the Momentum Application.
- ➤ If you did not answer "Yes" to all questions, please contact the Momentum Program Manager before applying to discuss additional business requests and program eligibility.

## **Additional Qualifying Criteria**

To qualify, businesses or emerging entrepreneurs must meet at least one of the following:

- 6. 1. Small Business Disproportionately Impacted by COVID-19
  - A small business that can demonstrate a disproportionate negative economic impact as a result of COVID-19.
- 7. 2. SEDI-Owned Business
  - A business that is owned by a Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individual (SEDI).
- 8. 3. Geographic Location
  - The business (either the owner's or majority owner's home address, or the business address) is located in one of the following areas:
    - 2015 CDFI Investment Tract
    - 2020 Qualified Census Tract
  - Rural Michigan counties, as defined by the Michigan Office of Rural Development (formerly the Michigan Office of Rural Prosperity, 2023).
- Eligibility Map:

https://www.arcgis.com/home/webmap/viewer.html?webmap=23aae91890a844d894b0765469a35923&extent=-92.7489,41.4861,-76.5221,47.5117

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