

Replenish the RESTAURANT REVITALIZATION FUND

NATIONAL
RESTAURANT
ASSOCIATION

THE RESTAURANT REVITALIZATION FUND

(RRF) has been a critical lifeline for restaurants across the country, helping them rebuild from the damaging effects of pandemic-related revenue loss. The RRF ran out of money in July, leaving nearly **200,000 eligible restaurants** without desperately needed funds.

278,304 = RESTAURANTS WHO APPLIED FOR RRF GRANTS

**\$28.6
BILLION** = GRANTS AWARDED

177,000 = ELIGIBLE RESTAURANTS WHO APPLIED BUT DID NOT RECEIVE GRANTS

**\$43.6
BILLION** = UNFUNDED APPLICATIONS

Restaurants are restoring indoor dining, but **they remain in dire need of assistance**. A smaller workforce, rising food and payroll prices, increased occupancy costs, and additional debt **place greater financial strains on restaurants already struggling**. Restaurants are not like other retail stores, operating on very small margins — often with **just 16 days of cash on hand**.

SMALLER WORKFORCE

1.3 MILLION
LOST JOBS
HAVE NOT
RETURNED

FOOD COSTS

ARE RISING
AT THEIR FASTEST
RATE IN 7 YEARS

OCCUPANCY COSTS

90,000
RESTAURANTS
HAVE CLOSED
PERMANENTLY
OR LONG-TERM

ADDITIONAL DEBT

337,000
PAYCHECK
PROTECTION
PROGRAM
(PPP) LOANS
AT \$31 BILLION

LESS REVENUE

\$290 BILLION
IN LOST SALES
IN THE FIRST 14
MONTHS OF THE
PANDEMIC

From fueling job growth to investing in local communities, **RESTAURANTS ARE ENGINES OF THE ECONOMY. EVERY \$1 SPENT IN THE FOODSERVICE INDUSTRY GENERATES AN ADDITIONAL \$2 FOR FARMING, FISHING, BAKING AND OTHER RELATED INDUSTRIES.** Yet, they will continue to struggle unless Congress replenishes the RRF.



For more information on the RRF and its impact on restaurants, visit restaurantsact.com.