

Mayor [Name]

Month ##, 2021

City Hall or Mayors Office

##### XXXXXX Ave

City, ST #####

Dear Mayor [Name],

America's small businesses are facing an existential crisis caused by COVID-19, leading to one of the most significant and unequal economic crises in modern history. Since the start of this pandemic, more than [400,000 U.S. small businesses](#) have closed their doors. Many will never fully recover, and more than a few have closed their doors for the last time.

COVID has brought into sharp focus the fragility of our economy. It is increasingly clear that the health of our people and our communities hinges upon the people having a regular source of income to inject into the market. Our need for a federal guaranteed income in the United States is more critical now than ever.

Guaranteed income is this generation's extension of the safety net, following in the path of things like Social Security, child-labor laws, weekends, and collective bargaining. A guaranteed income is a monthly, cash payment given directly to individuals. It is direct cash payments, with no strings attached and no work requirements. Direct payments to the people help state and local economies recover by putting more cash into local households and state budgets. In [[city], a guaranteed income of \$1,000 per month for every adult would be \$### million inserted into our economy. Every single month.

We have a duty to protect our citizens and our small business alike as we reopen our economies. With recurring payments, millions of Americans would be kept out of poverty and have more certainty to spend. Payments to individuals boost consumer spending and build back the local economy safely by putting more cash into local households and state budgets.

Mayor [name], we as small business owners and individual constituents urge you to take a public stance in support of Guaranteed Income, and that you advocate for it within our local community as well as with state and national leadership. We now have an opportunity to take bold action to help our communities and families thrive again.

As small business owners from across the city, we are calling on you, the leadership of this city, to take action now and publicly support Guaranteed Income. By joining Mayors for Guaranteed Income, you would be joining a network working together to strengthen our communities by supplementing the existing social safety net and driving forward this powerful tool for racial and gender equity.

You must represent your constituents in this critical moment. You must fight for economic justice. You must support a Guaranteed Income.

Sincerely,

[Business Name]

[Owners name]