

October 2020 Newsletter

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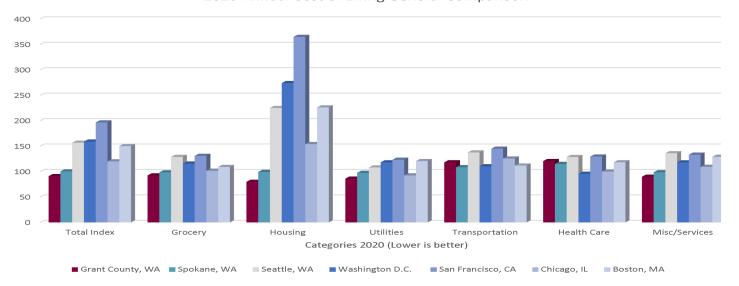
Grant County Statistics

The Grant County EDC's website has been updated with new COLI information, as well as updated statistics for each information page.

Subpages such as ESRI information and municipality sheets are being updated as needed, and each individual page has seen an update as of this writing. This information has been made accurate to the best of our ability and with our partnering with ESRI to maintain the quality resources. We urge you to take a look on our website to see all our changes at www.grantedc.com!

With our COLI work, we also have updated information on how Grant County compares to areas around the country! The statistics are certainly good, with us having almost a 10% lower Cost of Living Index than other areas. These statistics coupled with our beautiful areas, cooperative community and cheap power all help to make Grant County look like a great place to start or expand a business. For instance, we can see that Grant County fares considerably better than other areas in terms of total Cost of Living prices, Groceries, Housing and Utilities.

2020 Annual Cost of Living General Comparison



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Grant County EDC Drone Updates

than four separate times. Recordings of several golf courses in Grant County for the Grant County Magazine as well as both recordings and video of the new hangar being built with AeroTEC.

While the several golf courses were an easy processarrive and take photos and videos after notifying the owner - the hangar on Grant County International property was considerably more complicated.

Waivers have to be filled out and permission granted to fly a drone within 5 miles of an airport, not to mention the only time you can fly is from sunup to 8am. That makes things rather tricky this time of year when it is getting dark later and later!

With these practice sessions and getting our feet wet, the EDC is now ready to take requests from our local ports on footage they may need of industrial sites, factories and otherwise.

Grant County EDC has had their drone in the air no less Please contact Nic Thurston to set up some dates and times - he is always happy to help. You can reach him at the EDC office or via email at nic@grantedc.com.

> The weather will certainly be less cooperative in the near future, so be sure to get scheduled sooner rather than later



CARES Act Continued

CARES Act dollars for the county have been quite successful thus far

As of this writing, we have delivered funds to 217 businesses county wide.

On these forms, business owners identified each of the jobs possibly saved by these funds in Grant County. With this

information, we estimate that the CARES Act helped saved anywhere from **437 to 663** individual jobs – be they full or part-time.

Additionally, we can also track how many applications came to us from each area throughout Grant County.



The following areas had these totals of applications sent in and approved (A note that close to half of these businesses were women-owned and over a fifth of the businesses were minority-owned.) ::

- Coulee City-2
- Ephrata-30
- Grand Coulee-19
- Moses Lake-108
- Quincy-24
- Royal City-19
- **Electric City-5**
- Mattawa-2
- Soap Lake-2
- Warden-2

The applications are filling up quickly and we need to have them all in by **November 13th** if possible. Go to grantedc.com/grants to fill out your application today or share with someone who might need it.



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Bronze Division \$500-\$3,999 **Accredited Appraisals** Agri/Com Appraisals **Aviation Technical Services** Banner Bank **Basic American Foods** Barrett Business Services, Inc. Big Bend Community College Big Bend Community College Foundation Cascade Consulting Group Central Bonded Collectors **Chemi-Con Materials** City of Electric City City of George City of Royal City City of Soap Lake City of Warden **Clear Risk Solutions** Coldwell Banker Tomlinson Ranch & Home Columbia Basin Development League Columbia Basin Job Corp Columbia Basin Railroad

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