May 5, 2020

The Honorable Martha McSally
United States Senator
404 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Paycheck Protection Program and the US Small Business Administration

Dear Senator McSally:

Pima County’s Economic Development staff is attempting to follow up with small businesses in our area to determine their accessibility to the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), administered by the US Small Business Administration (SBA).

The purpose of this letter is to ask for information that should be available from the SBA, but to date, has only been aggregated at the State level. We would like to receive data indicating the number of businesses, at the Pima County level, that have applied for the PPP program, the number of applications that were accepted and the number funded. Without this information, it is difficult to follow up with other smaller, disadvantaged businesses who may have been bypassed from the first program.

We have communicated with the SBA’s staff who indicates they do not have this information nor do they have an idea if this information can or will be made available. This information should be available and should be provided so our County Economic Development staff can assist those businesses that, for whatever reason, have been bypassed by the PPP.

Your assistance in receiving County-level data regarding which businesses received the PPP loan and at what amounts will be immensely helpful.

Sincerely,

C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

c: The Honorable Chairman and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors
Jan Lesher, Chief Deputy County Administrator
Dr. John Moffatt, Director, Economic Development Office
Patrick Cavanaugh, Deputy Director, Economic Development