

# Frequently Asked Questions

**1. How Many Times Can I Apply?**

One application and one award (if chosen) per company.

**2. How Does the Reimbursement Work?**

Once Contract, Project, and Post Project Evaluation is Complete – Documentation Will Be Submitted to Cook County and They Will Reimburse Your Company Directly.

**3. What if my corporate headquarters is not in suburban cook county but my factory is, can I still apply?**

Yes, Establishments with less than 500 employees in suburban Cook County are eligible.

**4. What if I am not sure which program is right for me?**

IMEC Can Help Guide You and Answer Any Questions. Please Email: [manufacturingreinvented@imec.org](mailto:manufacturingreinvented@imec.org).

**5. How Do I Apply for the Program?**

There is link on the IMEC website ([www.imec.org/ccmr](http://www.imec.org/ccmr)), just click and fill out the simple application.

**6. What if there is a service I want that is not on the list?**

The curated list is for this grant program. If there is another service you are interested in contact your IMEC Regional Manager to discuss how we can help you.

**7. What if I want to cancel the project before completion, do I have to pay?**

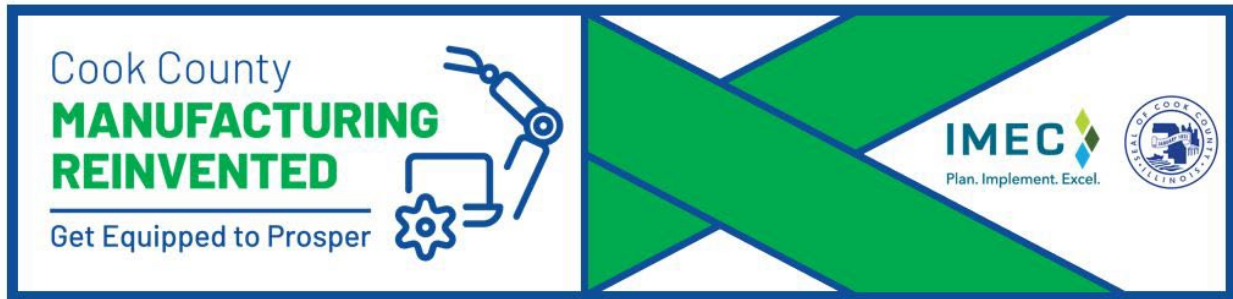
Payment will be required for portions of work performed. Because the project would not be completed, it may not be eligible for reimbursements.

**8. What is the criteria for approval?**

Cook County uses a scoring matrix to ensure consistency. The criteria includes topics such as size/location, pandemic effect, and potential impact.

**9. How does the qualification process work?**

The scoring matrix ensures consistency. Cook County Bureau of Economic Development makes the final determination as to who will receive a grant.



**10. Can we “adjust” the project scope for our needs?**

The project scope and deliverables are set, The curated list is set for this grant program.

**11. Can we apply this grant to a project that we are already doing with IMEC?**

No, projects already approved are outside of this grant program cannot be included for reimbursement. If there are projects underway a successful grant application may be able to work in parallel.

**12. What are the deliverables I’m getting from the grant program? What benefit should I expect?**

Each project has a specific set of deliverables and goals to improve your sales growth, reduce your operational costs, or invest in your workforce.

**13. What is the process for determining which program is best for us?**

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**15. How much time do we need to devote to this project? What does our role look like?**

The amount of time the client devotes is dependent upon which solution you choose. The proposal defines this for you.

**16. Can we add additional services (and we pay for it) to the grant project we select?**

There can be no additions to the grant awarded project. Additional project work would be quoted and fulfilled through a separate agreement and project.

**17. More Questions?**

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