



## Kentucky Angel Investment Tax Credit

Statutorily Required Annual Reports

FY 2019-2020



## CABINET FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Andy Beshear Governor Old Capitol Annex 300 West Broadway Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 Larry Hayes Interim Secretary

October 30, 2020

The Honorable Andy Beshear, Governor Office of the Governor 700 Capital Avenue, Suite 100 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 154.12-2035, the Cabinet for Economic Development must report annually on program activity by November 1st of each fiscal year.

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If you have any questions regarding the reports, please contact me at (502) 782-1987.

Sincerely,

Katie Smith, Commissioner
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Jay D. Hartz, Director Legislative Research Commission 700 Capital Avenue Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

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## Kentucky Angel Investment Act Program Annual Report for the Period: 7/1/19 – 6/30/20

Per KRS 154.20-236(2)(c), The Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development was prohibited from processing applications for approval of angel tax credits from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. Therefore, no angel program applications were received during the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

In preparation for the re-start of the program in 2021, House Bill 491, passed during the 2020 general legislative session and signed by Governor Beshear on April 2, 2020, made the following four changes to statutes governing the Kentucky Angel Investment Act program:

- Reduced the investor tax credit amount for investments made in Kentucky small businesses located in enhanced incentive counties from fifty percent to forty percent of the eligible investment amount;
- Reduced the investor tax credit amount for investments made in Kentucky small businesses located outside enhanced incentive counties from forty percent to twenty-five percent of the eligible investment amount;
- 3. Changed the "closely related" definition from "parent, spouse, or child" to "parents or grandparents, children or their spouses, or siblings or their spouses" to match the "closely-related" definition used in the Selling Farmer Tax Credit program:
- 4. Added wording to clarify that if a small business receiving eligible investments becomes insolvent, ceases operations and submits an acceptable report attesting to its status, tax credits claimed prior to shutdown will not be subject to recapture, but awarded credits not claimed as of the date the business became insolvent and ceased operations will be considered expired and not eligible for claiming.