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Rogers Park Business Alliance expands annual Live Love Shop
Rogers Park holiday shopping rebate program, now running for
two months, with business specials for Small Business Saturday
and a holiday market

November 1 – December 31, 2025

To boost support for small businesses during a crucial time of their survival, the nonprofit offers up to \$75 in cash rebates and dozens of deals for holiday shoppers

CHICAGO, IL (October 20, 2025)—The nonprofit **Rogers Park Business Alliance** (RPBA) proudly announces the expansion of the annual **Live Love Shop Rogers Park** holiday rebate program, now running <u>from November 1</u> <u>through December 31, 2025</u>, to increase support of local businesses. During the two-month-long rebate program, RPBA will host two festive shopping events with dozens of deals and promotions: a **Mercadito** (Spanish for "minimarket")—a vibrant craft fair showcasing local vendors and businesses on <u>November 22</u>, and a Welcome Station for **Small Business Saturday with business specials** on <u>November 29</u>. For more information on the holiday events, offerings, and rebate rules, visit <u>RPBA.org</u>.

"Now more urgently than ever, small business owners are grappling with the uncertainty and volatility impacting our community, many of which are Latine-owned," says **Sandi Price**, Executive Director of Rogers Park Business Alliance. "At RPBA, our mission is to cultivate and sustain a thriving economic environment in Rogers Park. That's why we felt extending our shop local campaign was essential. We're calling on our Chicago neighbors to rally behind these businesses by doing their shopping in the community. Every dollar spent at an independently

owned business not only rewards the shopper but fuels the vitality and resilience of Rogers Park and supports our vulnerable small businesses."

To support small businesses during a crucial time of their survival, Rogers Park Business Alliance – an official 2025 Neighborhood Champion and Shop Small ambassador – has extended its shop local campaign to offer patrons more time to visit local businesses for the perfect holiday presents. Live Love Shop Rogers Park offers rebates of up to \$75 to shoppers who patronize **independently-owned** businesses in Rogers Park throughout November and December. **Those who collect \$150 or more in receipts will receive a \$50 rebate, and those with receipts totaling \$200 or more will receive a \$75 rebate.** To qualify for the rebate, a completed rebate form and original receipts (hard copy or digital confirmation dated between November 1 and December 31, 2025; no gift receipts allowed) must be turned in to RPBA by <u>Wednesday, January 7, 2026, by 5 p.m.</u> Shoppers can fill out a form online, download a PDF form, or pick up a hard copy from RPBA's office (1448 W. Morse Ave.) then return the completed form along with the receipts to RPBA. For more information and detailed rebate rules, visit **rpba.org/live-love-shop**.

During the shop local holiday campaign, a **Mercadito** will be held at RPBA's GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training center (7056 N. Clark St.) on <u>November 22 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.</u> An initiative of Rogers Park's state-designated cultural district, Camino Clark, the craft fair will showcase vibrant vendors and artists who offer a diverse range of products and handmade crafts. There will be a free gift-wrapping station from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. courtesy of St. Jerome Church (limit of two gifts per person) and free Ponche donated from a local business, La Casa Vieja. The Mercadito vendors include <u>A Versatile You, Aori Botanical, Coffee and Ink, El Shér, F.L.Y. Radical Therapy and Liberate life coaching, Heartful Sparkle, JellyNeck Solutions, Inc., <u>La Niña Chamoy Candies, Los Agaves Soy Candles, LLC., Lynda Sanford, Mickii's Desserts, Mouchette Woven Arts, Olga's Jewelry Box, Rulli Rights Books, LLC., Sonrisas, Stone Paper Scissors Art-Jewelry-Sculpture, and Urban Tables.</u></u>

On Small Business Saturday, November 29, shoppers can take advantage of special offers and discounts from local businesses as well as visit a Welcome Station at Alexander's Restaurant (6764 N. Sheridan Rd.) from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Visitors of the Welcome Station can participate in fun activities such as a giveaway of free tote bags with goodies from local businesses, free coffee, hot chocolate and pastries courtesy of Alexander's Restaurant, participate in a Spin the Wheel to receive gifts/items from local businesses of up to \$100, and listen to live festive tunes from musician Becca Jaffe. The Small Business Saturday discounts and special offers from Rogers Park independent businesses are as follows:

- 1. <u>Culture of Safety Dojo & Wellness Center</u> (6661 N. Clark St.) A Karate Open House where patrons can receive 10% OFF gift certificates for karate or shiatsu lessons purchased on November 29 only. In-person or online purchases are applicable.
- 2. <u>ChiTownBio</u> (6634 N Clark St.) Open house for the community to come through the lab and get a free guided tour of the space.
- 3. Smack Dab (6730 N Clark St.) \$12 Small Biz Special: Black Santa Latte + Seasonal Sammie!
- 4. <u>Urban Tables</u> (6958 N Clark St.) \$15 *Taste of the Holiday Heat and Eat Plate* with free Charcuterie Cup (while supplies last).
- 5. <u>Tamales Lo Mejor de Guerrero</u> (7042 N Clark St.) Free small champurrado with a purchase of a dozen tamales.
- 6. <u>Chirose Salon & Spa</u> (1406 W. Devon Ave.) 10% off retail, 20% off all services.
- 7. Roger Park Provisions (6928 N. Glenwood Ave.) 50% off purchases \$50 or more.
- 8. Curls & Company (1627 W. Howard St.) Buy one, get one 50% off.

- 9. <u>Badou Senegalese Cuisine</u> (1947 W. Howard St.) Free appetizer of your choice: Plantain, Veggie or Chicken pastel.
- 10. Taste Food & Wine (1506 W. Jarvis Ave.) Complimentary mulled wine and small bites while you shop.
- 11. R Public House (1508 W. Jarvis Ave.) Build your own hot cocoa bar (while supplies last).
- 12. <u>Mickii's Desserts</u> (1754 W. Lunt Ave.) \$15 Cake Samplers (three flavors provided in sampler), free Cheesecake Cup while supplies last, 15% off dessert orders placed and prepaid on Small Business Saturday, November 29, for pickup through December 31, 2025.
- 13. Athena Board Game Cafe (1412 W. Lunt Ave) 20% off all games.

Rogers Park Business Alliance is a nonprofit organization that has served Chicago's diverse Rogers Park neighborhood for over 30 years, providing services in both English and Spanish to a broad community. RPBA works to cultivate and sustain a thriving economic environment in Rogers Park, serving businesses and residents with a variety of public events and business initiatives. RPBA programs include the GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training program, the Illinois Small Business Development Center at RPBA, annual Best of Rogers Park awards, Taco Crawl, and the Glenwood Sunday Market farmers market—Hablamos español. For more information, visit RPBA.org.

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