

# COMMERCIAL EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT

**Eligibility:** : Commercial and Mixed Use properties within the defined boundaries of the Lawrenceburg Main Street district are eligible for this program. The district extends from US50 south to the Levee bounded by Tanners Creek on the west and the Casino on the east and the area north of US50 to the Greendale boundary bounded by Tanners Creek on the west and Front Street on the east. Commercial property owners may apply for a grant once every 5 years. Previously completed projects are not eligible for funding.

**Application Information:** Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis and must be submitted by the property owner, not the tenant. Submission of an application does not guarantee that a project will be funded. Applications will be reviewed by the Lawrenceburg Main Street Design Committee and passed on with a recommendation to the Main Street Board for final approval. The approval process may take up to 4 to 8 weeks.

**Maximum Amount of Grant:** Applicants may apply for grants up to \$5000 providing all eligibility and match requirements are met and grant funding is available.

**Owner Investment:** For every \$2 of grant funding, the grant recipient must provide a match of \$1. Based on this formula projects of up to \$7500 would require a \$2500 investment from the owner in order to receive \$5000 in grant funding. Labor performed by the applicant on the project may not be counted as in kind matching funds.

**Permitted Projects:** The following exterior improvements are eligible for funding:

Paint and related expenses including labor  
Pressure Washing **only if exterior material is not “paintable”**,  
Doors and Windows and related installation expense,  
Roofs  
Gutters  
Facade Restoration

**Interior improvements are not eligible for funding through this grant.**

**Appropriate Permits:** Any projects that may require a permit from the City will be expected to include a copy of the permit in their application. This also applies to Certificates of Appropriateness for designated properties within the Downtown Historic District. Mike Clark, City of Lawrenceburg Planning and Zoning, 812-532-3554, may be contacted if the applicant is unsure as to whether or not a permit or certificate is required. Failure to comply with permitting requirements will result in the withholding of grant funds.

**Project Timelines:** All projects must be completed within a 6 month time limit and all invoices for funded projects submitted to the Main Street office by December 15th of the calendar year.

**Distribution of Grant Funds:** Grant funds will be distributed only after the recipient has expended their portion as per the signed grant agreement and the project has been completed. The recipient may be reimbursed for appropriate expenses only upon presentation of paid invoices and proof of payment (such as cancelled check, valid receipt). Lawrenceburg Main Street reserves the right to inspect completed work before issuing payment.