

ALMONT FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



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Facade Improvement Program

The Façade Improvement Program is designed to encourage economic investment and revitalization to the commercial buildings within the DDA district. This program promotes physical improvements to the commercial facades visible from the public right-of-way. It is the intent of the program to strengthen the economic vitality of downtown Almont by improving the exterior physical appearances of buildings while at the same time preserving and promoting the historical character and integrity of the buildings within the district.



Applicants for Façade Improvement funding are encouraged to review the complete program description for the area of funding for which they are applying. All applicants must meet with the DDA Director prior to grant application submissions. Applicants are encouraged to attend the DDA meeting when their application will be discussed.

General Requirements:

- All Façade Improvements grants must be approved prior to work commencing.
- Properties must be located within the legal boundaries of the DDA District. They must be used for retail, commercial or professional purposes.
- Building owners or tenants are eligible.
- All grants are 50/50 matching grants with the exception of design assistance grants.

Paint

- Grant limits: \$250-\$1,000
- Grants are awarded per building and are available one time every 5 years.
- Paint colors will be negotiated, with the owner/tenant in accord with generally recognized “historical color palettes”.

Signs

- Grant limits: \$250-\$500
- Grants awarded per building owner/tenant.
- Funding for no more than two new outdoor signs or renovation of existing signage.

Awnings

- Grant limits: \$250-\$1,500
- Grants awarded per building and are available one time every 5 years.
- Projects can include either single or multiple street level awnings or several awnings across second story windows.

Landscaping

- Grant limits: \$250-\$500
- Grants awarded per building and are available one time every 5 years.
- Landscaping grants is for a collection of improvements strategically arranged to visually enhance any side visible from the public right-of-way.

Design Assistance

- Grant awards cover 80% of design services up to \$800.
- Grants awarded per building and are available one time every 10 years.
- Design Assistance grants are to provide funding for architectural design consulting services for façade renovations.

Façade Renovations

- Grant limits: \$500-\$5,000.
- Grants awarded per building owner/tenant and are available one time every 10 years.
- Only capital improvements or repairs on items that have a useful life of at least 10 years will be considered.

