

Innova is Latin for “Renew”

The INNOVA Business Improvement Grant Program is designed to assist businesses improve their buildings. The grant will reimburse owners 50% of the cost of certain improvements.

Qualifying improvements fall into three broad categories: Facades, Structures, and Landscaping. Specifically the Program will reimburse for:

- New awnings
- Windows
- Paint
- Reconstructed/ Repointed brick
- Murals
- Electrical, plumbing, structural repairs
- Selecting landscaping-irrigation system, planting beds, selected plant species.



Business Improvement Grant Program



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Type and Amount of Grants

Façades: Improvements to building a façade including, but not limited to painting, reconstruction, addition of awnings and/or remodeling. The grant amount shall be equal to 50% of the cost of such improvements, up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Property: Improvements to currently underutilized structures to bring them up to code including, but not limited to plumbing, electrical, flooring, and structural. The grant amount shall be equal to 50% of the cost of such improvements, up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Landscaping: Landscaping improvements to the exterior of the buildings and sites meant to enhance the aesthetic appeal and value of the property. The grant amount shall be 50% of landscaping maintenance features (e.g. sprinkler, beds, etc.) up to a maximum of \$2,000.

Program is contingent upon annual funding.

Eligibility

All buildings and facilities located in a commercial or industrial zone within the City limits shall be eligible for this program. New or existing businesses are eligible to apply.

Guidelines

- INNOVA guidelines and application may be downloaded from the Center Economic Development Corporation website.
- The applicant must fully complete the application and submit all required materials.
- The EDC Board reviews and must approve all applications. Any work starting before grant approval is not eligible for reimbursement.
- After the improvements are made, the applicant provides proof of payment. The EDC then issues a reimbursement check.
- Façade improvements made in the Downtown must conform to the Downtown Streetscape Master Plan.



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