

UPTOWN IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Uptown Improvement Program is designed to encourage high-quality building improvements that contribute to the character of the Uptown District. The Westerville Industry and Commerce Corporation (WICC) will provide matching grants to property owners or tenants of commercial buildings to assist in the restorations.

GRANT AMOUNT

- Up to 50% of the eligible project cost.
- \$30,000 maximum grant per project.

GRANT REQUIREMENTS

- Uptown Review Board (URB)/WICC review and approval.
- Project must be completed within 180 days.
- Compliance with all provisions of the Westerville Codified Ordinances and Uptown Westerville Design Guidelines.

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ELIGIBILITY

Tenants and property owners of commercial and mixed-use structures within the boundaries of the Uptown District are eligible for funding. Please refer to the Uptown Improvement Program Guidelines for a detailed list of eligible activities and program requirements.

SAMPLE ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES*

Uncovering and restoration of historical façades

Replacement/repair of cornice, parapets and shutters

Site and landscape improvements in areas that are accessible to the public

Window and door repair or replacement

Exterior cleaning & tuckpointing

Awning/signage installation or replacement

Parking expansion

Improvements to the back or sides of properties

Fire suppression

*Maintenance projects are not intended to be eligible for grant assistance, but may be used as part of the match for the larger improvement project.

AFTER



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APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Pre-application **Meeting**
2. **Submit** Application
3. Application **Staff Review**
4. WICC and URB **Approval**
5. **Execute** WICC Agreement
6. **Complete Project**

Program Application & Guidelines

www.business.westerville.org > Business Support > Incentives & Programs

Uptown Review Board Information

www.westerville.org/URB

